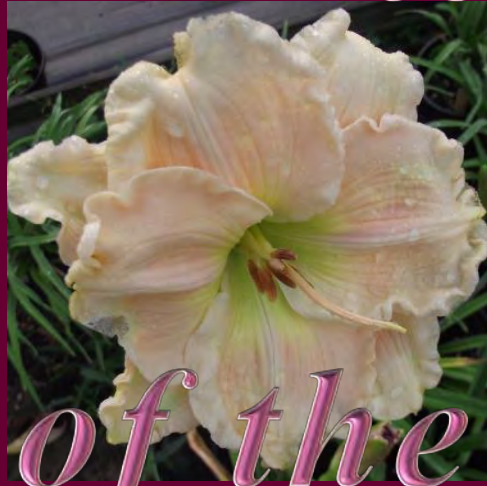




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Please submit:

- * Articles on Daylilies
- * Articles on Daylily Culture
- * Profiles of Region 6 Hybridizers
- * Garden Write-ups
- * Features of Historical Interest
- * Articles on Photography
- * Scientific Studies Involving Daylilies

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- * Club News and Events
- * High resolution photographs (.jpg, 300 ppi, file size minimum 1MB) to accompany articles

Submit material via email. Please send text as a MS Word file attachment or in body of email. Send photographs as separate attachments, not *inserted* into email. Obtain a copyright/consent form from the editor, sign and return.



ADS Region 6 Director's Report

Bill Walker

After an outstanding Summer Regional in Austin, we had a fabulous ADS National Convention in Nashville, TN! Superlatives are hard to keep out of the description of these gatherings.

ADS Board held its annual Fall Business Meeting in mid-October in Oklahoma City and had a preview of just how good the upcoming 2024 ADS National Convention, June 12-15, is going to be. Registrations are still open but can be expected to sell out so consider registering early. Full registration is \$339, youth registration is free, and there is an excellent optional tour to the Myriad Botanical Gardens and First Americans Museum for \$90 on Thursday. The garden visits will include the Will Rogers, Topguns, Jindra, Reusser, Kowalchyk, and Windswept Daylily Gardens.

Highlights from the ADS Fall Board Meeting included the transition from President Scott Elliott to President-Elect Rhonda Vereeven.



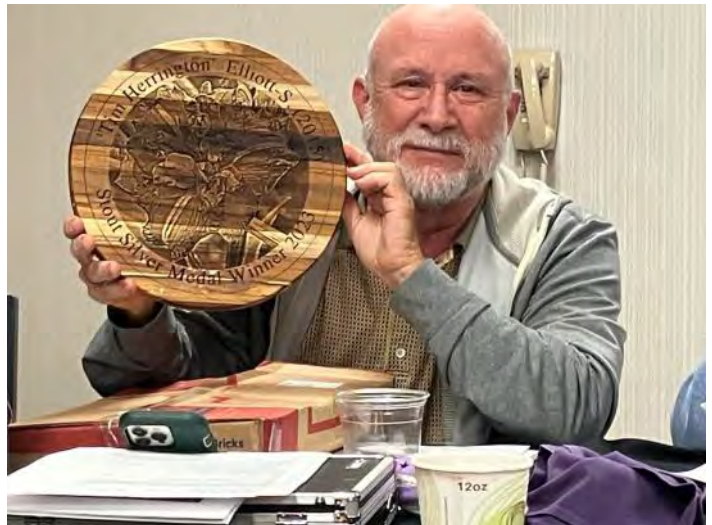
Passing of the gavel from Scott Elliott to Rhonda Vereeven
(photo from Facebook)

Significant reshuffling of Committee assignments took place and I have been selected to chair the Marketing Committee and Special Projects Committee.

President Vereeven also announced that she and other ADS officials plan to make an official visit to Region 6 in 2024. We discussed her attending the

Regional Meeting in Dallas over Memorial Day weekend and that may happen. She is a school teacher by day and has to coordinate her travels with her school schedule so a holiday weekend has a certain appeal.

Cultivar awards were announced and can be found at <https://daylilies.org/daylilies/awards/> and include the Stout Silver Medal won by Scott Elliott for *Hemerocallis* 'Tim Herrington' the Lenington All-American Award for Bishop's *H. 'Itsy Bitsy Spider'* (Bishop-H, 1990), and all the other winners including the delightful lists of Award of Merit and Honorable Mention winners.



Scott Elliott was presented with a wooden cutting board with his Stout Silver Medal Winner 'Tim Herrington' on one side and a "thank you note" on the other for his years of service.
(photo from Facebook)

Register and make hotel reservations for the 2024 National Convention in Oklahoma City at <https://www.ads2024convention.org/#/>. If you haven't been to a National Convention this is a great choice as it is close, has outstanding gardens to be visited and several excellent museums. Registration includes lunches in the gardens and banquets, live auctions, silent auctions, judges training and recertification sessions, and terrific camaraderie and bonhomie.



ADS Region 6 President's Report

By Bonnie J. Nichols

When fall arrived in Texas no one noticed because it was still "summer" with temperatures at record highs. As I write this message it is Halloween and 36 degrees. What a difference a few days or weeks makes!

The summer was so extremely hot we thought we had lost a lot of daylilies. No amount of water seemed to help. Now it appears most had gone summer dormant and now with rain and cooler temperatures, they are flourishing. We have finished transplanting seedlings.

In September my husband and I and Michael & Mary Ellen Reed traveled to Tim Bell's Daylily Extravaganza. We had lots of fun. If you have not been

before, they have table sales (people were lined up several hours before they opened), silent auction plants, and a live auction. Daylilies were blooming in their garden, and we enjoyed seeing them and walking around the lake. We took an extra suitcase to bring our treasures home.

Daylily Growers of Dallas are busy planning for your visit next year. We hope you come and enjoy the gardens with us.

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your Region 6 President. I will continue to serve both our region and local clubs any way needed.

Happy Fall and Winter!



Archivist/Historian & Webmaster Report

By Ray Houston

If you wish to know what is happening in Region 6, or you are seeking historical information, please visit the Region 6 website - <http://www.ahsregion6.com/>

A large amount of information is available on the Region 6 website. Current and historical information is continually added.

Additions to the Region 6 Website:

2023 Albuquerque, Brazosport, Dallas, and Lone Star Club Flower Show Results

http://www.ahsregion6.com/flower_show_results-2023.htm

2024 Region 6 Meeting information

http://www.ahsregion6.com/regional_meeting.htm

Region 6 Summer Newsletter

<http://www.ahsregion6.com/newsletterarchive/2023-2.pdf>

Region 6 Winner of 2023 AHS Newsletter Award

Best Article About Daylily Culture "[Air Root Pruning Daylilies, A Work in Progress](#)", by Mark Hamel

Tribute for Glenn Huddleston

http://www.ahsregion6.com/huddleston_glenn.htm

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**American Daylily Society
Region 6
Texas & New Mexico**

2024 Region 6 Meeting

"Big City Lights"
May 31-June 1, 2024
Hosted by Daylily Growers of Dallas

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Hemerocallis 'Catherine Neal'
(Jack Carpenter, 1981)
(Photo by Ray Houston)

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Tim Closs & Brant Mauthe

After a long, dry, brutal summer, we had our first frost three weeks early here in North Texas. It's been about a decade since we had our first freeze before Halloween.....SPOOKY! Hopefully, the combination of cooler air temperatures, warm soil temperatures, and some rainfall will help our daylilies bounce back and settle in before we have "true" winter.

The Region 6 Popularity Poll results are in. The number of voters for the Pop Poll this year was 121 members, up from 98 in 2022. The last Region 6 membership count was 389 members, so a slight increase to 31.1% of the membership voting in the Pop Poll. This is up 6% from 2022, but still lower than the historical average and a trend that needs to be addressed. In 2021, Region 6 had 418 members, with 134 members voting (32% participation) compared to 34.8% in 2020. Since the Popularity Poll is no longer

sponsored by the American Daylily Society (ADS), the Region 6 Executive Committee tried to address the declining participation numbers by opening the Pop Poll to any member of Region 6, removing the restriction that voting members had to be a member of ADS. Moving forward, we will look at other incentives to participate in the poll. Of the 121 respondents to the poll question on whether to eliminate, modify or keep the poll the same, only one person voted to eliminate the poll, 74% wanted to keep the poll in the same format, while 26% wanted to see some modifications or changes.

Region 6 Pop Poll Results for 2023

Since the Popularity Poll is no longer sponsored by the American Daylily Society, Region 6 will show the top ten (10) rankings and those cultivars that are tied with the same number of votes. For 2023, the following cultivars had the greatest accumulation of votes:

Rank	Cultivar	Votes
1.	H. 'Free Wheelin' (Stamile, 2004)	41
2.	H. 'Lone Star Big John' (Payne, L.H. 2011)	36
3.	H. 'Dorothy and Toto' (Herrington, 2010)	31
4. Tie	H. 'Mildred's Endless Support' (Eskine- Eskine, 2008)	30
5. Tie	H. 'Color Me Happy' (Gage, 2000)	30
6.	H. 'Tusawilla Snowdrift' (Hansen, 2000)	28
7.	H. 'One Eye Willie' (Herrington, T. 2006)	27
8. Tie	H. 'Double Cranberry Ruffles' (Talbot, 1991)	21
9. Tie	H. 'Dutch Yellow Truffle' (Kirchhoff-D, 2003)	21
10.	H. 'Born in Texas' (Eskine- Eskine, 2008)	20

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4. Tie	H. 'Mildred's Endless Support' (Eskine- Eskine, 2008)	23
5. Tie	H. 'One Eye Willie' (Herrington, T. 2006)	23
6.	H. 'Tusawilla Snowdrift' (Hansen, 2000)	20
7.	H. 'Thin Man' (Trimmer, 2002)	18
8.	H. 'Gulf Coast Big Peach' (Crainer, 2011)	17
9. Tie	H. 'Born in Texas' (Eskine- Eskine, 2008)	16
10. Tie	H. 'Dutch Yellow Truffle' (Kirchhoff-D, 2003)	16

Club Participation

Lone Star Daylily Society	31
Cypress Creek Daylily Club	24
Johnson County Iris & Daylily Society	12
Daylily Growers of Dallas	12
Albuquerque Daylily Society	11
Brazosport Daylily Society	11
North Texas Daylily Society	8
Lufkin Daylily Society	7
No Club Affiliation	6
Austin Daylily Society	6
Houston Hemerocallis Society	6

The number of total participants is skewed as some voting members participate in multiple clubs.

Next year, we will format the Pop Poll ballot to help glean more precise data on club participation rates. Regardless, a huge thank you to all the clubs who “got out the vote.”

Crunching the Numbers

There were 65 daylily cultivars listed on the 2023 ballot, all of which got some votes. For 2024, we would suggest the following changes: 1) move *H. ‘Free Wheelin’* to the Pop Poll Hall of Fame, 2) bring the ballot cultivar total to 50-55 cultivars, dropping the lowest scoring cultivars and adding new cultivars based on write-in votes, 3) continue to limit write-in votes to 10 cultivars per voter. Based on a preliminary analysis, the cultivars to be listed on the Region 6 Popularity Poll for 2024 will be as follows:

‘Lone Star Big John’	‘Dorothy and Toto’	‘Mildred’s Endless Support’	‘Color Me Happy’
‘Tusawilla Snowdrift’	‘One Eye Willie’	‘Double Cranberry Ruffles’	‘Dutch Yellow Truffle’
‘Born in Texas’	‘Thin Man’	‘Aly Marie’	‘Halloween Masquerade’
‘Lone Star Purple Circle’	‘Thomas Tew’	‘Nacogdoches Pansy’	‘Gulf Coast Big Peach’
‘Texan to the Bones’	‘All About Eve’	‘Colonel Jim Scheurich’	‘Lake Jackson Beauty’
‘Siloam Double Classic’	‘Mint Octopus’	‘Lone Star Wagon Wheel’	‘Black Ambrosia’
‘God Save the Queen’	‘Big Doc’	‘Guadalajara’	‘Julie Newmar’
‘Red Chile Rendezvous’	‘King Kahuna’	‘Silver Run’	‘Jelly Filled Donut’
‘Lemon Go Lightly’	‘Skinwalker’	‘Gulf Coast Three Brothers’	‘Walking Stick’
‘Lone Star Red Stallion’	‘Patsy Carpenter’	‘Cool Composure’	‘Spacecoast Tiny Perfection’
‘Lone Star Back Forty’	‘Black Friday’	‘Dizzy Miss Lizzy’	‘Renegade Lady’
‘Gulf Coast Beach Baby’	‘Simply Karen’	‘Adventures In Oz’	‘Ernie’s Obsession’
‘Ernie’s Cajun Wit’	‘Stop the Car’	‘Gulf Coast Angel Eye’	‘California Sunshine’
‘Paula’s Guidance’	‘Lil’ Black Buds’		
New for 2024			

Summary

Like our predecessor, Maureen Valenza, we believe that the ADS Region 6 Popularity Poll continues to be useful in guiding gardeners and newcomers to the Texas/New Mexico region with tried-and-true cultivars that perform well and have shown their ability to flourish in our diverse soil and climatic zones. At

this time, Region 6 plans to continue the Popularity Poll into the future. We believe that with continued fine-tuning, and development of specific questions to create more usable data, participation in the Region 6 Popularity Poll can regain prominence and help daylily enthusiasts, new and old.



Region 6 Newsletter Editor Report

By Peggy Cathey

This has been a year of extremes. We went from the BEST Spring bloom we have ever had to everything going totally dormant during one of the WORST Summers we have ever had. But, after some good rains and cooler temperatures, our garden has greened up and we have even had a few rebloomers sprout up a few blooms to brighten our garden and spirits.

With the ever erratic and depressing weather, many of our regular contributors have little or nothing to report. I want to thank our Region 6 hybridizers for once again submitting some beautiful photos of their hybridizing efforts.

As your newsletter editor, it is my job to “put it all together”, not to write it. I need your help. We are in constant need for articles about your daylily growing experiences. Please think about something good or bad that has happened in your garden and write something about it. Be sure to include photos—our

readers LOVE photos. You can send these to me anytime:

ahsregion6.newsletter@gmail.com.

It is always nice to have things in reserve and extra nice for me to not be rushed with last minute entries in the newsletter when I am on a time crunch and trying to get everything to fit. I love being your Region 6 Newsletter Editor, but I can't do it without the help of all our officers, club reporters, and those willing to take a minute to write an article.

As always, I want to thank our proofreaders: Ray Houston, Tracey Stewart, and Dan Cathey. They are the best.

I saw the list below on the internet (probably Facebook) a few months back and thought I would share. My hope is it might make you stop and think about some of the things you could do to get more involved and to help improve your club.



HOW TO KILL AN ORGANIZATION

1. Don't attend the meetings
2. If you do, arrive late.
3. Find fault in the officers and members.
4. Never accept an office, it's easier to criticize than to do this.
5. Never the less get annoyed if you are never appointed to a committee.
6. If appointed to a committee, don't attend the meetings.
7. If asked by the chairman to give your opinion, say nothing, but then afterwards tell everyone how things should have been done.
8. Do no more than necessary when others are rolling up their sleeves.
9. Hold back your dues for as long as possible or don't pay them at all.
10. Don't bother getting new members, but if you do, make sure they are gripers like yourself.



Region 6 Membership Chair Report

By Dan Cathey

As Membership Chair I want to share some important information with all our Region 6 ADS/AHS members.

A membership dues increase was approved by the Board at the fall meeting.

The Board of Directors approved a small increase in the cost of membership beginning January 1, 2024 at the Fall Board Meeting. The membership fees had not been adjusted in 12 years. In that time, postal costs have increased. Publishing costs have increased as well.

The dues for each membership category are listed below.

Individual one year from \$25 up to \$30

Dual one-year from \$30 up to \$36

Individual 3-year from \$70 up to \$84

Dual from 3-year From \$83 up to \$99

Youth membership from \$10 to \$12

Individual Life Membership and Dual Life Membership will most likely be adjusted but details were not determined at the meeting.

If your membership is coming up for renewal, save some money and renew before January 1st! Many of our Region 6 memberships will expire on December 31th. If you are unsure of when your membership will expire, you may email me at ahsregion6membership@gmail.com and I will let you know. Be sure that your renewal is completed before Jan. 1st to qualify for the old rates. We have 111 members whose membership expires by the end of January, 2024 Don't miss out on the savings.

We are currently at 389 members, which includes eight new members joining since our last newsletter. Please welcome Virginia Fleming, Adrian Velasquez, Tony Velasquez, Nita Danials, Leslie Ward, Dennis and Hope Jobe, Adam and Victoria Whaley, Denise Basore, Amy Graham, Tonatiuh Perez, Shirlee Singer, Louis Wendel, Beth Wood, Roseanne Reynolds, and Cambri and Emmitt Sessions.

Also, I just received the Club Membership Recognition list for this year. This program was created to recognize all clubs that had AHS/ADS memberships above 50%. Only four clubs in Region 6 sent in their membership rosters and all four of these Region 6 clubs achieved recognition. Membership rosters are to be sent to Steve Amy:

membershipchair@daylilies.org before October 1 each year to qualify. A Recognition Application form should also accompany your club roster and it may be downloaded here: [Recognition Application](#). The link may also be found by going to the membership page of the ADS website: <https://daylilies.org/membership/>.



Cypress Creek Daylily Club
Platinum Level with 100%



Brazosport Daylily Society
Gold Level with 92%



Johnson County Iris and Daylily Society
Silver Level with 78%



North Texas Daylily Society
Silver Level with 63%

Nationally, there were sixteen clubs recognized, so, we were 25% of the national clubs who qualified.

Congratulations to our four Regions 6 Clubs!



Region 6 Exhibition Judges Liaison Report

By Patricia Kyser

Hello, fellow daylily lovers!

I really would (not, lol) like to say I suffered through the Texas heat this summer with everyone, but I did not.

In the middle of July, we headed to the mountains of southwest Virginia. It was peak daylily time there. If you are ever near the Blue Ridge Parkway near Mabry Mill, there is a wonderful commercial daylily farm nearby. It is Wildwood Farms and General Store. It is just south of Floyd, VA. The over 600 named varieties were beautiful. They are also on Virginia's Heritage Music Trail, known as The Crooked Road. In the general store, they have garden décor, home décor, and lots of unique items. There is bluegrass music every Saturday night. Wildwood Farms is owned by Judy and Bob Bowman, and they grow some lovely varieties of daylilies. They also have great food on site.

Judy has been involved with growing daylilies for many years and has a true love for them. I was so glad I got to see this garden at peak bloom.

Several other folks in that area also have some large daylily gardens that I got to visit. Lots of beautiful daylilies.

A week or so after the Regional Meeting this past May, we ventured to Elmo, TX, to see the Nichols garden. There is so much to see there. But you will

get to experience this garden when the Daylily Growers of Dallas hosts the Region 6 Meeting in May of 2024!

As Exhibition Judges, we need to visit as many gardens as we can. Locally or not. Let's see what kind of magic other people do or have.

I hope several of you signed up and took the Judges Clinic I. We really need more judges. At the Region 6 Meeting in Terrell, we will be offering Judges Clinics II and III. Clinic III is usually about 1½ hours. Clinic II is quite long, at about 3 hours. Please make sure you have the latest copy of the Daylily Exhibitions book:

ISBN: 9781973580171

It is available on Amazon. Every judge is required to have this book. It is also full of information on everything you need to know to host an accredited Daylily show.

If you are attending any of these judges' clinics, please make sure that you have met all ADS requirements to do so.

I hope you all have great holidays this upcoming season.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns about judging, please feel free to contact me.

Patricia Kyser 972-249-6786



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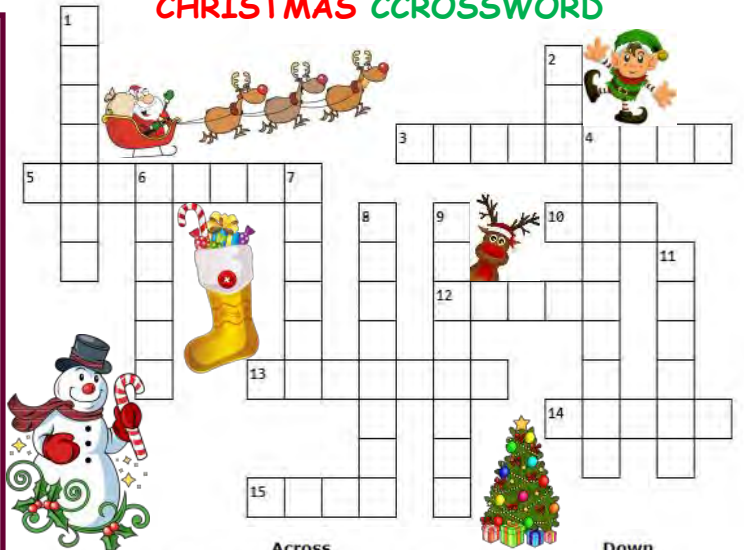
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| Autumn | Feast | Ornament | Snowman | Turkey |
| Christmas | Grandma | Pie | Star | Valentine |
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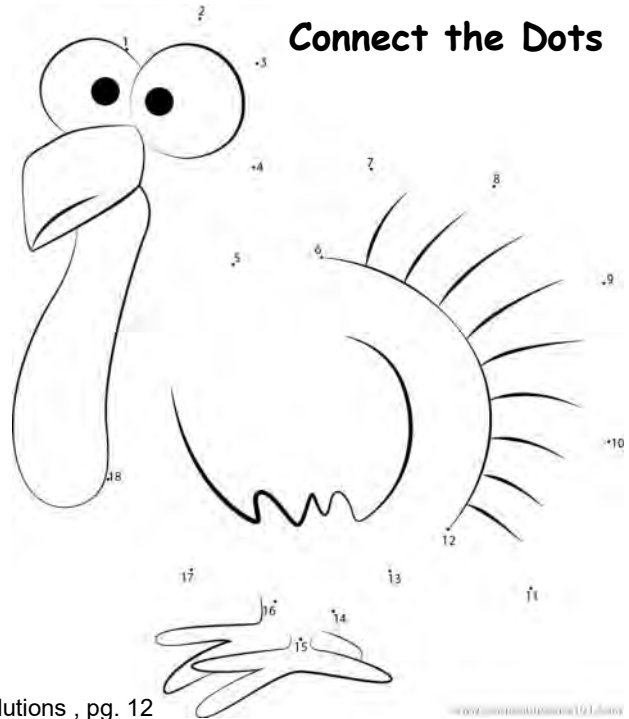


- Across**
3. What has red and white stripes
 5. He sees you when you're
 10. Better not
 12. Santa's helpers
 13. What does Santa come down
 14. Who's coming to town
 15. What's on top of the tree
- Down**
1. Reindeer with a red nose
 2. To the world
 4. December 25th is
 6. Christmas drink
 7. Who stole Christmas
 8. Christmas month
 9. On Christmas morning we unwrap our
 11. Snowman's name

Help the Trick or Treaters Get to the Candy



Connect the Dots





Youth News

By Rebecca Reed

I hope all our youth members have had a wonderful fall! Currently, Region 6 has 10 Youth members. If your club has youth members, please let us know and share how you have involved youth in your club!

Here are a few things that you should check out!

Annual Youth Awards and Scholarships—January-March is the season of Youth Awards and Scholarships. Detailed information can be found at <https://daylilies.org/get-involved/youth/>, but here is a summary of what is available to youth members.

2024 Region 6 Meeting is coming up on May 31-June 1, 2024. This year's meeting is being hosted by the Daylily Growers of Dallas at the Fairfield Inn and Suites in Terrell, TX. More information can be found at: http://www.ahsregion6.com/regional_meeting.htm

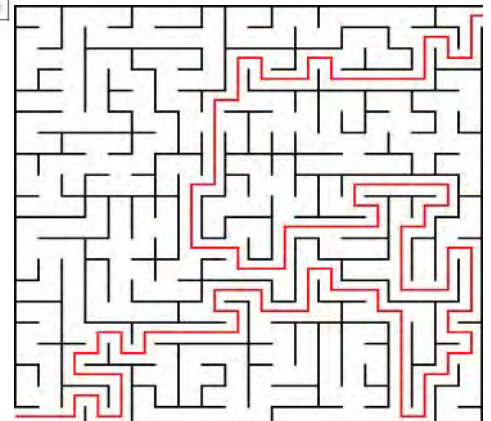
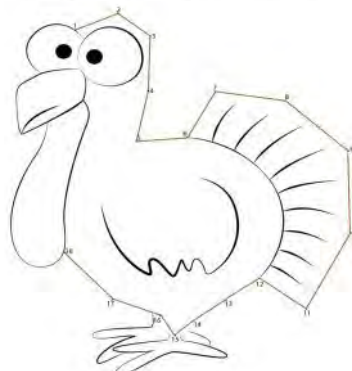
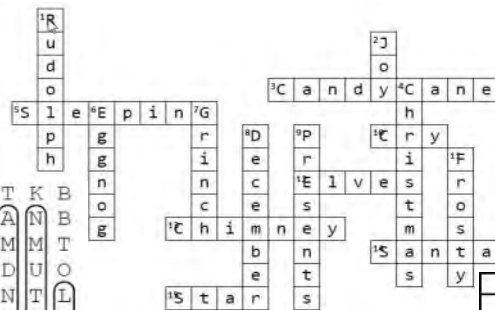
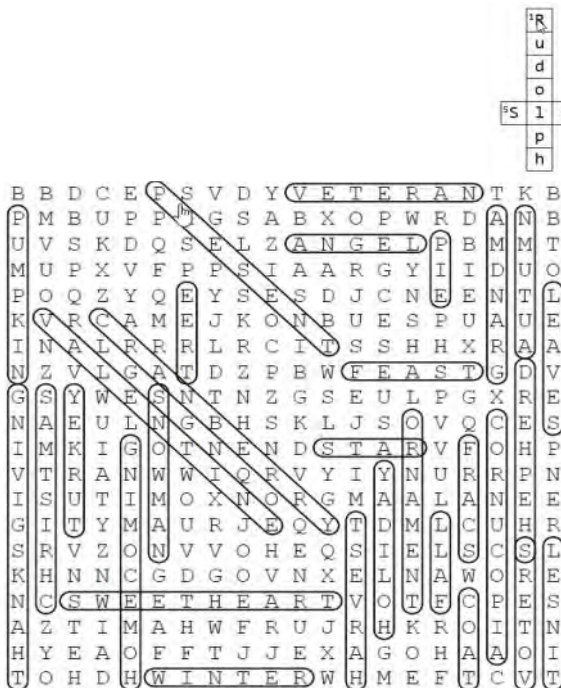
The 78th annual ADS National Convention is being held in Oklahoma City June 12-15, 2024. Youth registrations are free. More information can be found at: <https://www.ads2024convention.org/>

We have a new supplier for the Youth Tee Shirts. Sizes are youth small through youth extra large (these really run about the same as the adult small), and regular sizes in adults. Youth size shirts would run \$15.00—\$20.00 for the youth depending on the size. Adult sizes are \$22. Different colors are available. If interested, contact Peggy Cathey at natvxn1@gmail.com.



Youth Activity Page Puzzle Solutions

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Hybridizing With the Great-Grands

By Peggy Cathey

Photos by Peggy, Dan and Kathy Cathey

While on their way to visit their grandparents in Magnolia, TX, three of our great-grandchildren stopped by for a visit in May. This would be our first time to meet six-week-old Dustyn. I told their Mom that we wanted to teach the two oldest how to hybridize daylilies, like we had taught her when she was growing up. They got so excited. Cambri, 7, and Emmitt, 6, were anxious to learn how to “make their own flowers.” Dan and I never miss a chance to teach young children how to hybridize daylilies.

It wasn't long after they arrived that they were ready to get out to the garden. Dan, also known as Gramps, took Cambri, and I had Emmitt. We went to the garden and told them to pick out two daylilies they really liked. Cambri picked the beautiful, big red *H. 'Persian Ruby'* (Trimmer, 1998) blooming along the driveway and chose it as her favorite. She also picked *H. 'Dallas Blushing Debutante'* (Nichols-H, 2010), which was blooming nearby. After Gramps checked to be sure they were both tetraploids, he showed her how to take the stamen from one flower and find the pistil of the other to dab the pollen on. Cambri decided she wanted to have *'Persian Ruby'* as her pod parent with *'Dallas Blushing Debutante'* as the pollen parent. She then decided she wanted

to use the same two plants to go the other way, with *'Dallas Blushing Debutante'* as the “Momma” and *'Persian Ruby'* as the “Daddy.”

Emmitt was off to find his favorites, with me trying to keep up behind him. He went straight for the bright orange double *H. 'Guadalajara'* (Carpenter-J, 2003). I showed him how to pull off a stamen, and he carried it over to the pistil of another orange, *H. 'Wildfire Tango'* (Kirchhoff-D, 1992), both tetraploids. He also liked *H. 'Screen Pattern'* (Stamile, 2005), which he crossed with *H. 'How Are Ya'* (Shooter, 2001).

I didn't want baby Dustyn to miss out, so I crossed two of my favorites, *H. 'Twisted Whiskers'* (Joiner-



Cambri with
'Persian Ruby'



Emmitt with
'Screen Pattern'



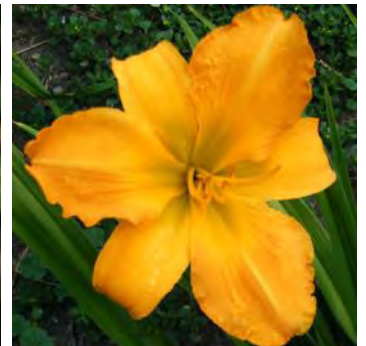
H. 'Persian Ruby'



H. 'Dallas Blushing Debutante'



H. 'Guadalajara'



H. 'Wildfire Tango'



H. 'Screen Pattern'



H. 'How Are Ya'

R, 2014) with *H. 'Queen of Green'* (Trimmer, 2014). I had told the children that when their flowers bloomed, we would register one for each of them, and they could name them. Our granddaughter said the two talked about “making their own flowers” all the way to Magnolia!

All four of their first experiences in hybridizing resulted in seed pods! I (Nanny) sent text photos to their Mom (Lori) to keep them updated on how they were doing. They get so excited to see the



Cambri's **'Persian Ruby'** seed pod starting to form



Here is Emmitt's seed pod forming on **'Screen Pattern'**



Cambri's **'Dallas Blushing Debutante'** seed pod is growing



Emmitt's **'Wildfire Tango'** is getting big

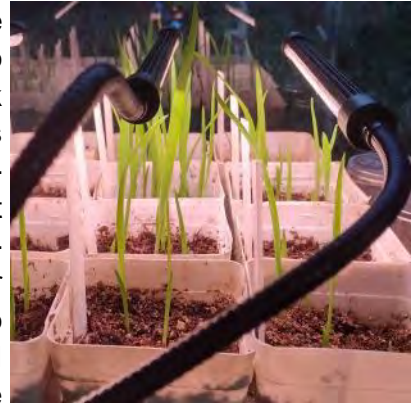


First seeds harvested



progress. First, with the tiny seed pods starting, then the harvested seeds.

We put the seeds in cold storage for a month; then Dan planted them in 4-inch pots since Mom wasn't able to bring the kiddos back at that time. It was only a few days before we saw the first sign of a sprout. After just 10 days, their babies had grown to 4 inches. When I sent photos of the little plants for them to see, Cambri said, “They are so cute!”



On the 15th of October, they were able to come for a visit so they could “pot on” their babies. We showed them how to fill the pots with potting soil,



Cambri filling the 4" pot with potting soil



Emmitt carefully separates the seedling from its pod-mates



Carefully trimming the long roots so they will fit in the pot



Using a dibbler to make a hole for the plant

separate the pot of daylily seedlings into individual plants and trim the roots of each plant if needed, so they would fit into a new pot, make a hole for the baby plant, and hold it by the leaves instead of the

stem (crown) so that the stem wouldn't get crushed. Once they firmed the soil around the plants and each marked with a plant tag (which they filled out themselves), they put them in a tub of water to soak. Cambri wanted to know why we were putting them into dirty water, so we explained that we always use a little seaweed extract in the water of newly transplanted seedlings to help reduce transplant shock and to help the plants develop a stronger root system. We were so proud of how well they took to potting up their little baby daylilies. We only gave them a little instruction on how to do it, and they were off and running.



Granddaughter Lori with baby Dustyn



Firming the soil around the little plant



Filling out a plant marker for each pot



Learning a new skill



Baby daylily potted and tagged



Soaking the pots in seaweed water, watching to make sure none of them turn over



Proud of a job well done

Dan and I will take care of the seedlings throughout the winter and hope Cambri and Emmitt will be back in the spring to plant them in the garden. So far, their little babies are looking great. It will be fun to see what kind of flowers these two young hybridizers have created. But most of all, we hope it will give them an appreciation of all plants and flowers and make them want to learn more and become gardeners themselves. We gifted each of them a youth membership in the American Daylily Society, so maybe that will be a help in spurring their interest. I can remember when I was growing up, learning about all kinds of flowers from my Grandmother. She could make anything grow. As I got older, life got in the way, and gardening was pushed aside. But, after our boys were grown, all those memories of gardening with my Grandmother came back, and I wanted to return to the garden. Then—we discovered DAYLILIES, and the rest is history!

If you have children, grandchildren, or even great-grandchildren, I encourage you to get them into the garden during the daylily bloom season and teach them how to “make their own flowers.” Who knows, you could be inspiring a future Stout Silver Medal winner!



Why We Do What We Do

By Region 6 Hybridizers



Larry Bartz: I hybridize to see what I can create. There's nothing like the anticipation of a bloom opening for the first time.

I work with patterns and toothy edges, but anything goes.



Bill Jarvis: I started hybridizing over 35 years ago with one simple goal; to create a group of daylilies that I liked and could grow and enjoy when I reached my 'golden years'. A few years ago, I stopped planting new seeds and I'm now concentrating on evaluating the several dozen seedlings that remain in my garden.



Dave Huber: Hybridizing daylilies is my outdoor hobby especially after retiring 10 years ago, although my first seedlings bloomed in 2002. I love seeing the new seedling blooms every spring. My current interests focus on patterns and unusual forms both diploid and tetraploid but I will cross anything that piques my interest at the moment.



Hooker Nichols: I strive for summer heat hardiness and branching/bud count. I breed for daylilies that can be seen across the garden and unusual color/form patterns.



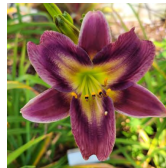
Ken Long: When you hybridize daylilies you always get seedlings that are different from the original parents. Let's look at the fun of growing daylilies. One of my most memorable days was when our two large Maine Coon cats were helping. Linda and I were dead-heading bed #6 while the cats were watching. All of a sudden we heard what sounded like one of our large dogs running. We turned in time to see Rowdy, our very large tuxedo Maine Coon cat, jump and take down a huge group of daylily scapes. He then turned around and looked at us like he was helping and expected a pat on the head.. Fifteen minutes later he and the female, Nala were hiding in dense daylilies and jumped out to surprise us. Working with daylilies is a good time to enjoy nature and decompress.



Dan Cathey: I hesitate to say it, but I really don't have many specific hybridizing goals. I began, as most do, simply crossing pretty to pretty remembering that "pretty" is always in the eye of the beholder. Part of the problem is that I never met a daylily that I didn't like something about, so I guess my technique is best described as random. What keeps me going is that occasional seedling that has the "WOW - where did that come from" factor; plus, the idea that each seedling is something totally new, never seen before on this earth. Who cannot be enchanted with that!



Pat Weller: The best part of hybridizing is going through the garden every morning during bloom season to see what is new in the seedling beds. The joy of being the first person (ever) to see a new bloom from a seed that came from my pollinating efforts is what keeps me motivated. I have learned that disappointment often comes after that initial joy, but all the work is worth it for those daylilies that are keepers. The no-go's for me are weak scapes, short scapes, weak plants, slow increase, not consistent, and colors that fade in the afternoon. I also like to see how the selected seedling handles being dug & moved. Sometimes they die but sometimes they flourish. I want the ones that flourish.



Lorris Garrett: My goals as a hybridizer are fairly simple. Hybridize daylilies that can tolerate our unique weather here in Southeast Texas. I love to see pretty faces but I want strong plants that multiply well and have a propensity not to rust or get crown rot. I like to see good branching, bud count and rebloom. I love patterns, unusual forms and doubles. Flower size doesn't really matter as long as the scape can handle the weight I'm happy.



Peggy Cathey: I enjoy hybridizing because I love to see what can be created with just a few dabs of pollen. I try to choose parent plants that I hope will produce more branches, more flowers, and beautiful patterns.

ADS Region 6 Hybridizers

2023 Seedlings by Loris Garrett, Lake Jackson, TX



#20-PDEB-1 'Pixie Daydream' X 'Elfin Blues'



#20-SDSS-1 'Spiral Distraction' X
'Little Show Stopper'



#21-CGBJ-3 'Coffee to Go' X 'Beetlejuice Bob'



#21-HRKR-2 'Here's to You Bill Robinson' X
('Kaleidoscope Purple Swirls' x 'Rustic Charms')



#21-PDRC-1 'Pixie Daydream' X
'Raspberry Ripple Cupcake'



#21-TOKR-1 'Tickle the Octopus' X
('Kaleidoscope Purple Swirls' x 'Rustic Charms')

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2023 Seedlings by David Huber, Mineola, TX



#HS-LBOUnk-23-6 'Lillian's Big Owie' X
Unknown #1



#HS-LBOUNK2-23-73 'Lillian's Big Owie' X
Unknown



#HS-LFLT1-23-81 'Laughing Feather' X
'Licorice Twist'



#HS-MWVOJ2-23-28 'Marseilles Watercolor' x
'Waves of Joy'



#HS\$\$SOR-23-7 Sdlg. x 'The One Ring'



#HS-SOOTP2-23-76 'Star Over Oz' X
'Twirling Pinata'

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2023 Seedlings by Larry Bartz, Crosby, TX



#19R4 Tet Sdlg. X Sdlg.



#20R14-7Dip Sdlg. X 'Mississippi Bill Robinson'



#20R18-3 Sdlg. X 'Mississippi Bill Robinson'



#20R40-9 Sdlg. X 'The Heart of Christmas'



#20R17-6 Sdlg. X 'Mississippi Bill Robinson'



#21R19-3 Dip Sdlg. X Sdlg.

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2023 Seedlings by Doug McKemie, Athens, TX



#21-MB2-05-2—20-077-D ('Cosmic Kaleidoscope' x 18-099-D
['Substantial Evidence' x 'Golden Warrior']) X 'Geisha's Umbrella'



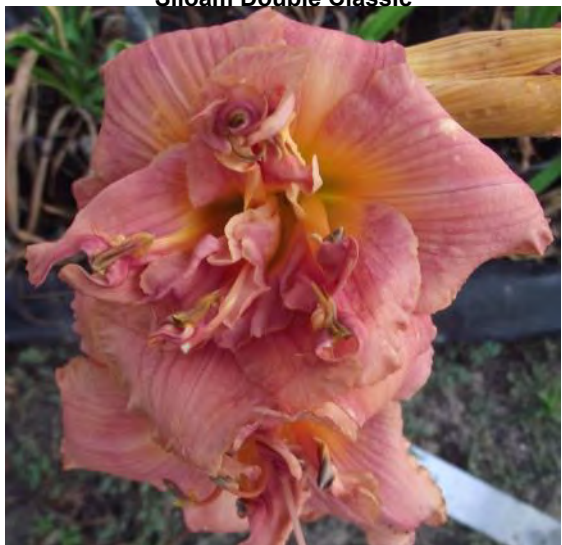
#22-EMT-01-8 'Bowtie Affair' X
'Delaney's Rainbow'



#22-Dbl-07010 'Nagasaki' X
'Siloam Double Classic'



#22-D-31-20—20-E2-09-8 (Falulkner Sdlg. x 'Kaleidoscopic
Intrigue') X 20-MB-07-5 ('Elfin Illusion' x 'Kaleidoscopic Intrigue')



#22-MMB-06-1 18-141 ('All Grown Up' x 'Manx')
X 18-161 ('Boundless Beauty' x 'Big Fuss')



#22-OS-10-3 'Pharaohs Arrow' X
'Frozen Patterns'

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2023 Seedlings by Sandy Perkins, Athens, TX



#22-OS-09-1 'Patterns Aplenty' X
'Pharaohs Arrows'



#CO-19-27-2 Sdlg. #17u110 X Unknown



#CO-19-29-1-6 'Circles and Beyond' X
'Smoke Scream'



#22-D-16-5 'Kaleidoscopic Intrigue' X
#19-30-5 ('Texas Feathered Fancy' x 'Grey Witch')



#22-OS-05-4 'Geometric Wizard' X 'Sdlg. 19-14-01 ('Pharaohs Arrows' x 'Venetian Pools')



#22-D-04-10 'Cinderella Sue' X
'Lavender Blue Baby'

ADS Region 6 Hybridizers

2023 Seedlings by Dan Cathey, Covington, TX



#32-13-21 'Jane's Prism' X 'Man Points'



#56-3-21 'Yumph' X 'Julie Neumar'



#71-3-21 'Marked by Lydia' X #MC-17 Sdlg.



#21-HRKR-2 'Powderpuff Kisses' X
'Some Enchanted Afternoon'



#115-1-21 'Periwinkle Pattern' X
'Oracle of Delphi'



#148-23-21 'King Khuna' X
'Peggy Cathey's Fairy Flight'

ADS Region 6 Hybridizers

2023 Seedlings by Peggy Cathey, Covington, TX



#64-1-20 'Little Miss Sunshine' X Unknown



#6-1-21 'Static' X Unknown



#87-8-21 'Reach For It' X 'God Save The Queen'



#63-3-21 'Night Embers' X 'Velvet Eyes'



#94-5-21 'Powderpuff Kisses' X 'Dolly Poly'



#111-3-21 'Stenciled Infusion' X 'Vibrate Higher'

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2023 Seedlings by Pat Weller, Tyler, TX



#19-09-CSd-03 M Carpenter Sdlg. X
'Sun Salutations'



#19-13-BR-01 'Boca Raton' X
'Stenciled Infusion'



#19-63-DYT-06 X 'Dutch Yellow Truffle'
'Venetian Fringe'



#21-2062-01 Weller Sdlg. X Weller Sdlg.



#WEFGT-02 Unknown



#WICDMP 17-03 'Ice Cream Dream' X
'Magnolia Poly Princess'

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2023 Seedlings by Hooker Nichols, Elmo, TX



#69-49 E133 Sdlg. X 'Starburst Fantasy'



#69-58 E113 Sdlg. X 'Starburst Fantasy'



#69-102 'Starburst Fantasy' X
'Sasha'



#69-184 Unknown



#69-470 Unknown



#69-531 'Pink Stripes' X Unknown

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2023 Seedlings by Bill Jarvis, Houston, TX



#05-033 'Victorian Lace' X 'J.T. Davis'



#14-062 Sdlg. X 'What Fun'



#14-080 X 'Sweet Tranquility' X
'Priscilla's Smile'



#15-048 'Springtime Romance' X 'Diamond Silk'



#16-034 'Rose Sensation' X
'Magical Marrakech'



#16-136 'Calamity Jane' X Sdlg.

ADS Region 6 Hybridizers

2023 Seedlings by Ken Long, Peaster, TX



#09-10B 'Big Apple' X 'Black Arrowhead'



#14-40 'Watchyl Lavender Blue' X 'Lois Burns'



#14-45 X 'Forever Redeemed' X
'Ruby Spider'



#16-55 'Angels Reaching' X
'Dances With Giraffes'



#17-15 'Golden Child' X
'Mount Herman Sonata'



#16-28 'Sunsilk' X
'Ledgewood's Christmas Angel'

ADS Region 6 Hybridizers

2023 Seedlings by Brant Mauthe, Garland, TX



Sdlg. X **'Lone Star Big John'** 9" bloom, , 27" tall, SEV, E, 12+ blooms, Re . The February super-freeze and 55 days of 100+ degree heat this Summer was no friend to our daylilies this year but we still had some nice flowers on several new seedlings on our corner city lot. First is from my efforts at larger blooms with lots of color.



'Megatron' X Sdlg. 9.5" bloom, 28" Tall, Dip, EM, 10+ blooms, Re. I use the ruler to measure and for color control to verify that the colors are true to life.



'Purple Sea Star' X Sdlg. 10" bloom, 27" tall, Dip, EM, 9+ bloom, and repeated multiple times, even with the terrible heat!



Sdlg. X Sdlg. 5.5" bloom, 12" tall, EEE, 20+ blooms. A new one that I almost dug out and tossed this Spring because it wasn't large enough and the color wasn't intense enough for me. It repeated 6 times, even in the middle of the crazy August heat! The repeat bloom also carried 20+ blooms. It just finished its last bloom in the middle of October.

It's been a really tough period over the last two years. I'm just glad I had something good to write about after losing over 200 plants in 2022. The extreme heat and our heavy clay soil made crown rot

and plain old cooked-dead plants a real thing. This year was much better with a new watering schedule. I'll share more on that at a later date.

The Amazing Daylily

By Dan Cathey

The summer drought was the first time I had ever seen every daylily in our gardens go totally dormant in the middle of a growing season. We saw many other “firsts” as well, among them having lost several perennials, including shrubs and even some trees that were in the twenty years plus department in our landscape, plus virtually all the annuals we always grow for color and variety. We have a “shade” garden featuring mostly plants that you would not associate with this part of Texas, which would not be consoled with watering. It was most unhappy, suffering about 50% mortality.

Coming off the “big freeze” of 2021 and the drought of 2022, this summer was sort of a triple whammy, a real test of a gardener’s resolve to press on while trying to maintain a positive attitude. I know that a lot of this sounds like whining, and I guess it is, but I also know that many of our Region’s membership experienced similar heartbreaks and, in some cases, even a lot worse, so hopefully, I am speaking for them as well.

We currently grow over 1,050 registered cultivars and 2,100 seedlings, so this was not an event that we were able to take lightly! Anxiety levels were at the max, to say the least. Our co-op water is very expensive, but at least we were never put under water restrictions as so many were, so the water was available, and we resolved to spend what we could to keep things afloat (no pun intended)

Below is a photo of our main seedbed taken in late August. What you are seeing are 850 plus one and two-year-old seedlings, which, for all intents and purposes, appear to be deceased. We could only hope that they were in dormancy, but how could we know for sure? This same scene played out as well in all



the established daylily beds with hardly a green plant in sight. (Super Sad Face)

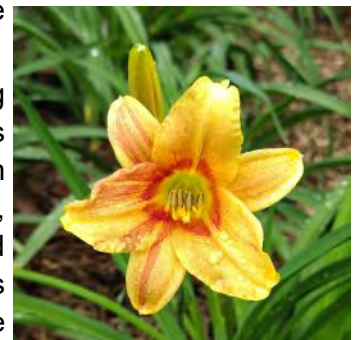
We watered deeply once a week, hoping to keep the roots alive, but it didn’t really show any noticeable results, except for the spurge, nutgrass, dayflower, and Mexican Ruellia (among other weeds), which seemed not to notice the drought at all and thrived. I am convinced that it was not the lack of moisture but the extreme heat that was the real culprit, with day after day of 105° and up realm. The “reign of terror” finally started to break in mid-September with a couple of showers and some temps creeping down into the upper 90°s with only a few 100°s mixed in.

We continued with supplemental watering until we finally received a 2-inch soaking rain to replenish the soil moisture. Then, seemingly overnight, the daylilies started to awaken, and here is a photo of the same seedling bed six weeks later. (Super Happy Face)



So, it just goes to show you that you never know for sure what will be coming around-the-bend. We did lose some daylilies, of course, but nothing approaching what we had feared, and in reality, I know that the daylilies actually fared better in the long run than many of our other plantings. Our seedling crop has been proven to be Texas Tough!

Here is what I am calling our Phoenix plant. It has put up three bloom stalks! It ain’t very pretty, but it sure has some good genes. Maybe it deserves a place in our future hybridizing plans?



‘Gulf Coast Poco’ X
‘Toy Trumpets’

A Tribute to Deborah Ann

By Tracey Stewart

H. 'Deborah Ann Memorial' has an interesting backstory that reflects how a common love of daylilies, together with access to the email Round Robin, can bring people who have never met together for a good cause. Several years ago, Peter Shea of Knoxville, Tennessee, was swapping out cultivars in his daylily garden and offered to send some daylilies to anyone on the Round Robin willing to pay the postage. I was among those benefitting from the offer, and Peter and I began an occasional email correspondence.

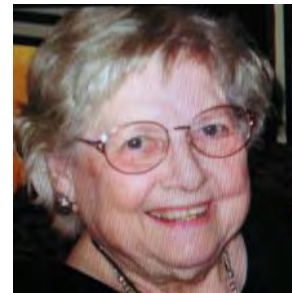
Peter first became enamored of daylilies in the 80s when he bought some at a flea market. Some years later, he joined a daylily club and met Hazel and Everett Dougherty, who were well-known hybridizers and who provided him with basic guidance about working with daylilies. Peter, who lives on a medium-sized lot in Knoxville, caught the hybridizing bug, and he maintains a very small program focusing on doubles.

When Peter asked if I would trial a daylily seedling for him, I readily agreed. He sent me about a dozen fans of #16-11, a gorgeous pink 2016 double. Peter thought it might be worth registering as he liked it, and a hybridizer friend of his also had commented favorably on the flower. Peter instructed me not to provide it any special treatment other than to treat it as I do my own daylilies here at **Flower Branch Gardens**.

For a few years now, #16-11 has been growing alongside the rest of my daylilies, tolerating drought, heat, ice, bugs, deer, etc. Over time, it has exhibited the qualities of a good daylily: a strong, attractive plant with a reasonable bud count that is readily fertile both ways, divides easily, and increases well. I encouraged Peter to register it.

As #16-11 was "enjoying" its Texas vacation, I became quite friendly with a Christian counselor from the Houston area named Jeanne Hensley Smith, who had placed several orders for daylilies with me one year. We generally ended up talking and laughing about things not even remotely related to daylilies. Jeanne even called to pray with me during last summer's dreadful heatwave and drought, and a fantastic 2" rainfall followed.

One day last spring, Jeanne called and asked if I had any unregistered cheerful pink seedlings that could be named after her precious sister, Deborah Ann Dryden, who had recently passed away. She



Deborah Ann Dryden

had been diagnosed with ovarian cancer in 2017. She fought courageously for 4 1/2 years before losing her life. Deborah loved life, family, friends, and holidays. She enjoyed and appreciated home and garden and all things beautiful, and Jeanne had decided that a particularly fitting memorial for Deborah would be a daylily named in her honor.

Unfortunately, I did not have any seedlings available, but I said I would look for a source as I knew some growers sell naming rights for their seedlings. I turned to the Round Robin for help. Peter responded and immediately offered to donate his seedling, #16-11, for Jeanne's consideration. (I had not asked him about it because I knew he already was considering it for registration.) When I sent the picture to Jeanne, she responded enthusiastically, saying she loved it. Registration of *H. 'Deborah Ann Memorial'* soon followed.

Thanks to the Round Robin, an unexpected collaboration among daylily lovers formed and provided Jeanne a cherished, living reminder of her sister whose life displayed the same strength, resilience, and beauty as does our favorite flower. Peter, Jeanne, and I are delighted to introduce the world to *H. 'Deborah Ann Memorial'*.

'Deborah Ann Memorial' (Shea-P., 2023)



height 18 inches (46 cm), bloom 5.25 inches (13 cm), season E, Rebloom, Evergreen, Tetraploid, 12 buds, 3 branches, Double 100%, Saturated medium pink to dark rose pink toward picrust, wavy edge with thin white border, orange yellow throat, pod and pollen

fertile.. (unknown × unknown)

American Daylily Society Region 6 Annual Meeting Friday, May 31 - June 1, 2024

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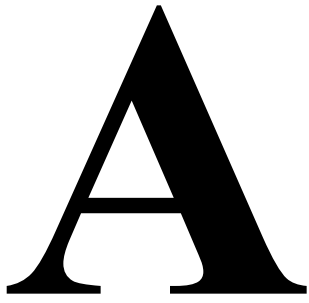
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Albuquerque Daylily Society

**Donna Peck
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Albuquerque, NM

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The Albuquerque Daylily Society had its last meeting of the year at Donna and Richard Peck's home. Our club was very happy to return to normal and have our show and the plant sales again like we had before the Covid scare. Our meeting was the same day as the eclipse, which was right over Albuquerque and a wonderful sight from the Peck's back patio.

Our program was a series of photos of members' gardens and photos from the National Convention in Nashville which Margo Murdock had sent to Amy to be included. We also had a delicious potluck.

Our officers were named for the year. They are the same as the officers we had last year and we

appreciate the members taking on the responsibilities again for another year.

Co-Presidents—Amy Howard and Will Ferrell

VP/Programs—Barbara Shapiro

Membership—Evelyn Christy

Recording Secretary—Debi Harrington

Treasurer- Bill Walker

We are hoping that next year, we will be able to obtain more new members and provide challenging programs for the all members we have. Members are happy to have our show again and we will continue having good programs at our meetings. And of course, we always enjoy the good food!!

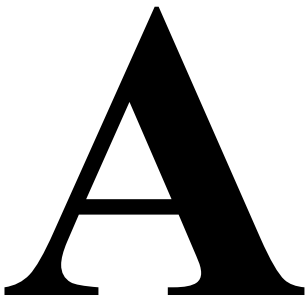


Members enjoy watching the "Ring of Fire" solar eclipse that was happening the day of our October meeting at the Peck's home.

Photos by Amy Howard



Barbara Shapiro enjoys seeing all the little eclipse shadows and patterns coming through the leaves of the tree near the Peck's patio.



Austin Daylily Society

Jeff Breitenstein
Club Reporter



<https://www.facebook.com/AustinDaylilySociety>

<http://www.austindaylily.org>

Austin, TX

Club Happenings

The Austin Daylily Club returned from our (freakishly hot...) Summer Break in August with a brief social meeting to share stories of withering plants, all with good humor and hopes for cooler weather.

At our September meeting, we welcomed long-time Austin Daylily Society member and current Austin Iris Society President Ellen Singleton for a terrific talk about growing irises in Central Texas. We learned about proper planting methods, soil and water requirements, and (especially) which cultivars do best in our area. Irises make terrific companion plants for daylilies, and we all came away with new knowledge - and - a new iris or two. We also held our regular business meeting and talked about how to participate in our annual group plant order.

Our October meeting is always popular - first, because everyone's plants from the group order are distributed, and second, because that's when we hold our annual auction. Between the BOGOs



Suzanne Adair and Club members

received from Bell's Daylily Garden (our source for the 2023 group order) and plant donations from our members, we had almost 50 items for bidders to try to win. Thanks as always to Bert

Marcom and Suzanne Adair for being our perennial Auctioneer and "Vanna".

We'll finish out the year with a Members Plant Swap in early November. This, too, is always a favorite meeting at which members can unload ...err, "share" plants that multiplied more than there was room for in their gardens, and come back home with new plant treasures. Our annual Holiday Party will be hosted by Skottie O'Mahony and Jeff Breitenstein.

It's a traditional potluck-style dinner that's always delicious, with a rowdy White Elephant-ish Gift Exchange after dessert. At this time, we'll also nominate and install our 2024 officers.

Display Garden Move

You may recall that for many years, the Austin Daylily Society has planted and maintained the Daylily display beds at Zilker Botanical Garden (located near the front gate). Due to increased shade and a multi-year battle with nutsedge, we're still in the process of relocating the daylily collection to two crescent-shaped beds in the center of the Mabel Davis Rose Garden.

While we had expected to replant in the Fall, Zilker asked us to wait until Spring. In the meantime, we set aside some best performers to replant in the new, sunny beds. The remaining pots of plants have been sold to the public during a number of garden events at Zilker. We'll be eager to see which



Potted daylilies



Velia Sanchez-Ruiz, Suzanne Adair, and Zilker visitors.

of the saved plants survived the summer heat and will be ready for replanting.

For more information on the Austin Daylily Society, including the topics of upcoming meetings, please visit our website: <http://www.austindaylily.org> and Facebook page: <facebook.com/AustinDaylilySociety>

Brazosport Daylily Society



Gold Club
92% Membership in ADS

Colinda Frieauf
Club Reporter

Lake Jackson, TX

<https://www.facebook.com/brazosportdaylilysociety>

During the August meeting, Eddie Raye Andrews presented the gardens on tour at the 2023 Region 6



Eddie Raye talks about the different plants growing in Pat and Tom Ellison's garden
(photo by Nancy Freshour)

In September, David and Nancy Freshour presented their experience at the National Meeting in Nashville, Tennessee.



Nancy Freshour shows highlights from the National Convention
(photos by Jeanne Weller)

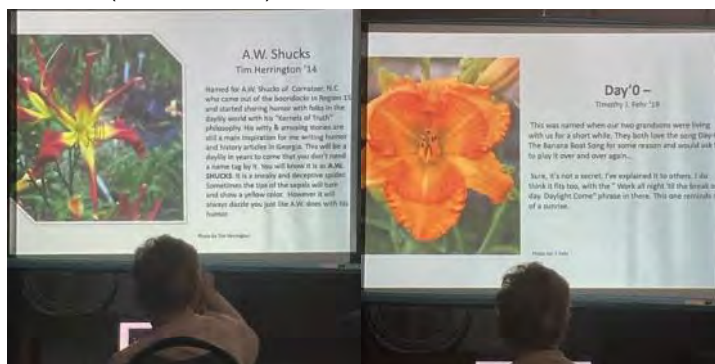
In October, Eddie Raye was back with her program on *Daylilies and How They Are Named*.

Meeting hosted by the Austin Daylily Society. Five gardens were shown with unique aspects in each one. Tom and Pat Ellison created a fairyland railroad and a metal bird flock. A few of the daylily varieties in the garden included *H. 'Gone With the Wine'* and *H. 'Gulf Coast Free Style'*. Don and Janice Heiskell's Garden showcased beautiful water gardens and fountains. They are also testing daylily varieties for rust resistance. Some of the daylilies growing in their garden are *H. 'Baby's Got Blue Eyes'*, *H. 'Jolly Red Giant'*, *H. 'Orange Velvet'*, and *H. 'Teetotally Yours'*. Jeff Breitenstein and Skottie O'Mahoney served a delicious lunch at their Tanglewild Gardens. They showcased daylily varieties such as *H. 'Hot Tamales and Red Hots'*. While Mike Pepper shares beautiful views of green fields with deer, he also has daylily varieties of *H. 'Chicks on Safari'*, *H. 'Gulf Coast Break Water'*, and *H. 'Wired for Sound'*. While not on the 'official' tour, Eddie Raye also visited the garden of Velia Sanchez, who is raising *H. 'Cimarron Rose'*, *H. 'Lois Hall'*, and *H. 'Lime Peel'* in her garden.



H. 'Better With Butter'
(Selman, 2017)

H. 'Hudson's Curls'
(Fehr, 2020)



H. 'A.W. Shucks'
(Herrington-T, 2014)

H. 'Day-O'
(Fehr, 2019)

(photos by Jeanne Weller)

Cypress Creek Daylily Club



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Jeannie Mallick
Club Reporter

Spring, TX

We rejoice in all circumstances and give thanks for two of our club's founding members, Mary and Eddie Gage. Members of ADS for over 50 years and self-described "Daylily Nuts" they have been a guiding light to the Cypress Creek Daylily Club. This month, as they close their daylily garden in Waller, Texas, with more than a touch of sadness yet with the generosity they are known for, the Gages are sharing

their trove of precious daylilies with family and friends in our club.

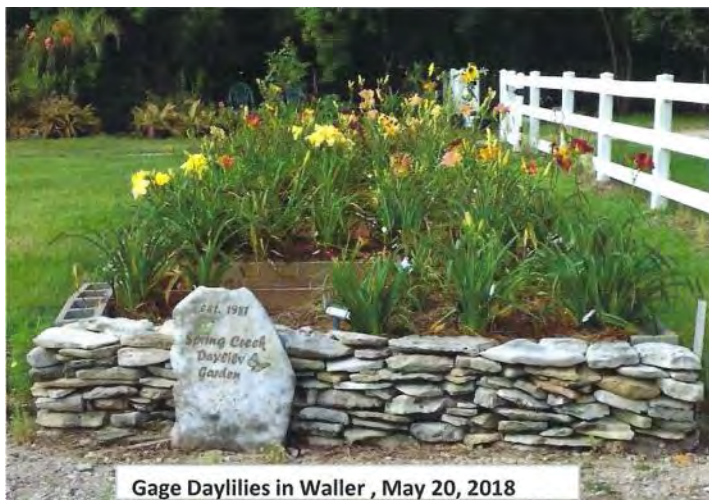
Our wonderful members, Amelia & Paul Cardona, Vicki Barnes, and Jane Garcia, worked for hours in the Gage's garden labeling and potting the newly dug daylily fans.



Mary and Eddie Gage



Mary, Eddie and Vicki Barnes
photo by Vicki Barnes



Gage Daylilies in Waller , May 20, 2018

Mary and Eddie Gage's **Spring Creek Daylily Garden**
photo by Vicki Barnes



Amelia Cardona and Jane Garcia label daylilies
photo by Vicki Barnes

Most of our members have been touched by Mary & Eddie in some way. They may have received plants from their garden, learned how to grow daylilies, or prepare a scape for a flower show. Our members offer some tributes here:

Vicki Barnes notes, "Mary and Eddie became my daylily mentors... Over her decades of service in ADS and local clubs, she has given much of her time and knowledge to many. I have been greatly enriched by knowing her and I cherish her friendship."

Amelia Cardona writes, "How often does a person cross our path and we instantly know that person is a keeper?... When we think of the name Gage, we envision one of the Keepers. A title bestowed on the Guardians of the Garden."

Leslie Wong says, "Knowing Mary made me realize that time ebbs and flows from the past to the present; that humor and wit go hand in hand; that having patience will give you a longer life; and love of family is the most precious of feelings on earth."

Mary's pride and joy is her 2000 introduction, *H. 'Color Me Happy'* for its consistent beautiful pink bloom, long-lasting substance and resistance to rust.

Oh, how Mary hates rust! Voted No. 2 in the 2022 Popularity Poll for Region 6 many of our members grow this excellent beauty successfully in our Houston gardens. Eddie says the most beautiful daylily is *H. 'Emerald Splendor'*. Eddie can be counted on to call them the way he sees 'em.



H. 'Color Me Happy',
(Gage-M, 2000)



H. 'Emerald Splendor',
(Wilson-T, 1993)

Mary & Eddie Gage are seeing the end of an era of 70 years growing and loving daylilies. Amelia Cardona said with humor, "Daylilies are perennials, not eternal". Yet there is a place where every daylily that ever was and every daylily that will ever be, is growing in elysian fields as a blessing for eternity.



Daylily Growers of Dallas

Club Reporter
Malcolm Avaritt
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Dallas, TX

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Summertime is our off time for club activities and we enjoyed travel and time inside in the AC trying to escape the record breaking heat and drought.

September saw us return from our Summer break and featured Carolyn Hayward presenting a program on “How to attract wildlife to your garden”. Carolyn’s program included various plants to use in your garden to attract birds, bees, and butterflies. Additionally, she had great photos to aid in identifying plants and animals and insects.

October was our Fall daylily sale at North Haven Gardens. Although not a complete sell out, we had cooler weather and a nice turn out.

November will have Mike Reed as our program host.

December will wrap up our year with our Annual Pea Patch party hosted by Brant & Susan Mauthe.



Jan Lalor helps sort daylilies for the sale

Bonnie Nichols and Tim Closs getting daylilies ready for the Fall Sale



DGD Fall Daylily Sale at North Haven Gardens

(l-r) Jane Denton, Jan Lalor, Mary Alice Caffarel, Carolyn Hayward, Keith Hayward, Hooker Nichols, Mary Ellen Reed, Bonnie Nichols, Tim Closs, Judy Burton, Mike Reed, Brant and Susan Mauthe kneeling.

Houston Hemerocallis Society



Lezlie Moore
Club Reporter

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Our long, dry, scorching summer has left its mark on us and our plants. The first words out of my mouth when I walk outdoors are, "It's hot out here." I know it is hot before I go outside, but the heat level must be announced to everyone out loud upon stepping outside.

Our poor plants are really battling under the pressure of this heat wave we are experiencing. I am hoping that the heat will start to end and much-needed rain will come. I'm absolutely not looking for it to flood, but I'm positively anticipating rain to save everything. Perennial plants and even our trees are dying, with many plants suffering and turning brown, and I have even seen some trees snapped completely in half within the neighborhoods.

This year, Houston has not had as many days surpassing 100 degrees compared to 2011. But the city's average daily temperature in July 2023 was the second highest on record, only slightly behind the hottest July on record in 2022.

Considering the summer we have experienced, our plants and lawns are in survival mode with no hopes of rain in the forecast. Like most of us, I have been watering almost daily. All of my daylilies are planted in full sun, which they usually like, but it is just too hot. Although usually very hardy and drought tolerant, I know my daylilies are not getting enough water, so I have been supplemental watering with the recommended 1 inch per week. I already had a good layer of mulch down, another good recommendation for moisture retention, so I did not need to add any more mulch. One good thing about the lack of moisture, I have had very few cases of rust this summer.

I think I speak for everyone when I say we are all looking forward to the cooler temperatures of fall and winter.

Our club will meet on September 28, 2023, after our long, sizzling summer break. We will meet at our usual location at the Cherie Flores Garden

Pavilion, McGovern Centennial Garden, 1500 Hermann Drive. We anticipate an exciting new year, with eleven new members, and plan to present permanent name tags to our second-year members. You do not have to be a member to come to a meeting. Guests are not only welcome but encouraged to attend.

We have an exciting year planned with a full slate of programs, including our annual daylily sale and, for the first time in many years, a daylily show.

In addition, we have some changes in our 2023-2024 Officers and Committee Chairpersons.

Hershel Theilen has served as Treasurer for the past several years. He is stepping down, and Gene Childers will be stepping up to fill this role. Over the last 25 years, Hershel has served in the capacity of every executive position in HHS and plans to remain an active member of the group.



Hershel Theilen



Bill Jarvis

Photos by Marti Zuber

Bill Jarvis has been the HHS reporter for ***Daylilies of the Southwest*** for the last seven years. Bill has committed to remaining active as the club photographer, archivist, historian, hybridizer, and webmaster of HHS.

Lezlie Moore, Rachelle Lynch, and Tonya Watts are the new reporters for the club, with this article being their editorial debut.

J ohnson County Iris & Daylily Society



Silver Club
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Janet Goodman
Club Reporter



Cleburne, TX

<https://www.facebook.com/johnsoncountyirisanddaylilysociety>

Since our last report, we installed the 2023-2024 Officers:

- President-Janet Goodman
- 1st VP-Programs-Hope Jobe
- 2nd VP-Membership-Anita Goodale
- 3rd VP-Show Co-Chairs-Brian Goodman and Dennis Jobe
- Secretary-Diana Medrano
- Treasurer-Peggy Cathey
- Hospitality Co-Chairs Nita Danials and Leslie Ward
- Youth Raffle Co-Chairs Isabella and Victoria Velasquez
- Newsletter Editor-Peggy Cathey



A few daylilies we had for the sale



First, we would like to congratulate our member, Mark Hamel, for receiving the ADS 2023 Regional Newsletter Award for BEST ARTICLE ABOUT DAYLILY CULTURE, "Air Root Pruning Daylilies, a Work in Progress."

We held our annual Iris Giveaway/Auction in July, and in August we celebrated the beginning of our 39th club year with a Potluck Luncheon and Bingo, with daylilies and irises brought by our members.

September was our Plant Sale. Although our sales were barely more than half of last year's we were pleased, given the weather leading up to that date. We weren't sure we'd have any daylilies since we still had not received any rain and most were still "summer dormant", but we did have a few. For the irises, we didn't know if we would have



Cashiers Diana Medrano and Peggy Cathey are ready for 9:00 opening (photo by Dan Cathey)

rhizomes to sell or takers to buy them! But many club members brought what they had in the way of potted irises and daylilies and there was an abundance of nice-looking rhizomes. We also had a variety of other plants and a great harvest of double daffodil Narcissus 'Erlcheer' bulbs brought by our newest members. There was a spirit of camaraderie and cooperation that made for a refreshing time of sharing our love of irises and daylilies with the community.

Our October meeting was very interesting. We had Robert Slaughter, a Texas Master Naturalist, talk to us about plant preservation and how they go about collecting and pressing flowers and plants for the Botanical Research Institute of Texas (BRIT), located in Fort Worth. This meeting (the same day as the solar eclipse) was followed by a board meeting of our new officers.

We will have an Iris Judges Training class in November with club member Laura Smargiasso, as instructor. The 1-hour class will be on Miniature Tall Bearded irises.

Our Christmas party, planned for Saturday, December 9th, is an exception to the 10 a.m. start time. The club provides the meat, and members bring the



L-R: Peggy Cathey, Dennis Jobe, Hope Jobe, Nita Danials, Brian Goodman, Janet Goodman, Gailmae Suite, and Victoria taking minutes for her Mom, Diana Medrano
Photo by Leslie Ward

fixings for a delicious Christmas meal beginning at 11 and wrapping up at 1. The festivities include singing Christmas carols and exchanging gifts in fun, non-traditional ways. It will be a time of reflecting on the shared values of faith, family, and country.

Another new member, Mike Reed will present a program on **Companion Plants** for the January 13th meeting while the topic of the February 10th meeting will be **Pollinators**.

A few months ago, we invited the North Texas Daylily Society and the Daylily Growers of Dallas to come to Cleburne in 2024 for a Tri-County Daylily Show. We have a gym at the Center where we meet with lots of room for a big daylily show. We knew NTDS hadn't had a show the last few years because the Fort Worth Botanic Garden stays booked up in May and June with weddings and showers, so they no longer had a venue to host a show. DGD were not planning to have a show because they would be getting ready for the Region 6 Meeting. After receiving the invitation, both clubs said they wanted to participate! We are looking forward to this first Tri-County Daylily Show which is scheduled for May 25, 2024. Among gifts for the winners, we will have daylilies to represent each of the 3 clubs. We have *H. 'Cowtown Cutie'* (Hansen-D, 2009) representing the NTDS Fort Worth club, *H. 'Dallas Legacy'* (Hansen-D, 2008) representing the Dallas club, and Dan and Peggy Cathey will be registering a daylily for 2024 introduction to represent the Cleburne club. To get the members involved, we had a "Daylily Naming Contest" for mem-

bers to come up with the best name to represent Cleburne, Johnson County, and/or JCI&DS. The one whose name was chosen as the best will receive a pot of the new daylily.

My husband Brian and I have attended Region 6 Meetings for the past 3 years. We have enjoyed the information, food, friendships made and grown, speakers, and, this past May, the garden tours. The Johnson County Iris and Daylily Society would like to host a Regional Meeting in 2025. I had hoped we could hold the meeting in May when the daylilies are in bloom, but it was pointed out that we presently only have one garden that has enough daylilies to be toured! We have been adding daylilies to our own garden over the years, inspired by Dan and Peggy Cathey's ADS Display Garden. Members will be encouraged to increase their gardens' daylilies in hopes someday of being able to have garden tours as a part of a Regional Meeting in Cleburne. For now, we will need to schedule a Fall Meeting. We are very excited at the prospect of hosting the Meeting here. More to come!

We have had several new members join in the last few months, bringing our membership to 43. Last year saw an increase in membership, and several of those new members are now serving as officers! What a blessing! Come join us for some information and fun on the second Saturday of each month. We'd love to have you!

 <p><i>H. 'Cowtown Cutie'</i> (Hansen-D, 2009)</p> <p>TARRANT</p>	 <p><i>H. 'Dallas Legacy'</i> (Hansen-D, 2008)</p> <p>DALLAS</p>
 <p><i>H. 'Cleburne'</i> (Cathey-D, 2024)</p> <p>JOHNSON</p>	<p>TRI-COUNTY DAYLILY SHOW</p> <p>May 25, 2024</p> <p>JN Long Cultural Arts Center Gym, 425 Granbury St., Cleburne, TX</p>

L

one Star Daylily Society



Bobbie Ware
Club Reporter
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The summer heat has finally started to wane!! As we look forward to working with our daylilies again in the very near future, here's a glance at what our club has been doing while the temperatures have been in the 90's and 100's:

In July, at our regular meeting, we surprised member Mildred Eskine with a party for her 96th birthday. What an accomplishment!!! Everyone gave her a card, and she was amazed to find one from Mary Gage! Mary's daughter and son-in-law had recently joined our club, and even though they weren't personally acquainted with Mildred yet, they knew of her through Mary. After cupcakes, we saw a



Beki Spearman, Bill Ware and Frances Spearman getting ready for BINGO



Mildred Eskine

great presentation of the Region 6 Meeting Garden Tours and the 2023 National Convention Gardens put on by members Larry Bartz and Beki Spearman.

In August, we played Bingo for Daylilies. Everyone got at least two pots of two fans of different daylilies, and they were definitely appreciated, as many of our local daylilies had succumbed to the intense heat we were experiencing! Our snacks were enjoyed with Bingo napkins to go along with the theme.

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Sandy Roberts, Loris Garrett and Gladys Hanselman. Allan Kinzie and Jerry Krampota in the background.

We had a program about the different varieties of Hibiscus in September. Marti and Greg Graves from The Lone Star Hibiscus Society were the guest speakers, and they did a marvelous presentation and demonstration about the various hibiscus plants they grow. They brought actual flowers and answered lots of questions. Our members like to grow many companion plants and enjoyed the event! We had refreshments that included hibiscus tea and cookies on hibiscus napkins, and we gave away a beautiful painting of a hibiscus plant that Paul Eskine won.



Marti and Greg Graves



A beautiful array of hibiscus flowers.



Mildred and Paul Eskine admiring the hibiscus flowers.



Hibiscus "Language of Love"

Everyone looked forward to the October meeting, as it was when members received their Daylily Buck Plants.

New officers were elected for 2024:

Beki Spearman—President

Marie Hodges—1st Vice President

Bobbie Ware— 2nd Vice President

Paul Eskine—Treasurer

Bill Ware—Secretary

There was an auction with at least one of each of the different named daylilies that the members had ordered. The bidding was fun, with purple and orange daylilies being the most sought-after. After the meeting, we were all anxious to get home and get our new daylilies potted. It was still too hot to plant them! Also, we have to get busy getting our companion plants and extra daylilies ready for our Fall Plant Sale, which we are having on November 11 at the **Ware House** in Manvel.

We hope y'all are looking forward to being able to work in your gardens again!!

Lufkin Daylily Society



Platinum Club
100% Membership in ADS

Tracey Stewart
Club Reporter

Lufkin, TX



Leon Levens April 16,
1943—September 14, 2023
photo provided by family

It is with sadness that we announce the death of longtime member Leon Levens, who passed away at the age of 80 on Sept. 14, 2023.

He had resided in this community since 1972. As a youth, he was involved in the Boy Scouts. He was an Eagle Scout with 3 palms and the Order of the Arrow.

Later in life, he served as a Scout Master.

Leon graduated from Stephen F. Austin University with a Bachelor's Degree in Forestry and a Master's in Finance and Economics. While attending SFA, he was Class President, Student Congress Representative, President of Sylvans Forestry Club, Member of Sawyer/Delta Sigma Phi, and met his lovely wife, Patricia. They were married for 58 years.

He worked for the US Forest Service, Southland Paper, and Temple-Inland. He was the Financial and Administrative Manager for the Temple-Inland Forest Group, including operations in Texas, Louisiana, Alabama, Georgia, and Mexico.

While living in Lufkin, he served on the last Board of Directors of the Angelina County Woodland Heights Hospital. He was a member of the Lions Club and served on several Chamber of Commerce committees. He also was involved in coaching Youth Baseball when his sons attended Hudson ISD. He enjoyed the outdoors, hunting, gardening, and playing golf. He also enjoyed wood-turning and genealogy research. He was a member of the Sons of the American Revolution and the Sons of the Confederacy.

His Christian faith was an essential part of his life. A member of the First Christian Church of Lufkin, he was a former Elder and served on the Board. He also served as Secretary/Treasurer and Chairman of several ministries.

His wife Pat said that he loved the daylilies, and they enjoyed traveling to National and Regional Meetings. His favorites were *H.* 'Orange Velvet' (Joiner, 1988) and *H.* 'Red Volunteer' (Oakes, 1984). Seeing how much he volunteered his time over the course of his life, it's a fitting tribute that 'Red Volunteer' would be a personal favorite.



'Orange Velvet'

'Red Volunteer'

(photos by Peggy Cathey)

On another topic, it is with bittersweet sadness that the club's last and final meeting of the LDS will commence on November 14 as a farewell retirement party. The local history center is happy to accept our scrapbooks and other such memorabilia for posterity's sake.

Backstory: The Lufkin Hemerocallis Society began in 1963. There has been a succession of 40 presidents from 1963 to 2023, beginning with Mary Faye O'Quinn and culminating with Barry Walker. Here's a short write-up from the Lufkin Daily News of their first meeting on March 7, 1963:

"A group of ladies met in the home of Mrs. C. B. Connell, 1120 Mantoath, recently to organize the **Hemerocallis Society of Lufkin.**

Mrs. D. O. Wallis called the meeting to order and introduced Mrs. R. B. Atkins, a guest, who installed the following officers: President, Mrs. Jessie O'Quinn; First Vice President, Mrs. R. T. Roebuck; Second Vice President, Mrs. D. O. Wallis; Secretary, Mrs. J. E. Johnson; Treasurer, Mrs. A. B. Allen; Records & Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Robert Scott; and Librarian, Mrs. T. C. Largent.

Refreshments were served to the following members present: Mrs. Jessie O'Quinn, Mrs. D. O. Wallis, Mrs. C. B. Connell, Mrs. R. T. Roebuck, Mrs. T. C. Largent, Mrs. Jack Scott, Mrs. Archie Mathews, Mrs. Jessie Johnson, Mrs. Ben Vaughn, and Mrs. A. B. Allen.

Note: According to the *Lufkin Hemerocallis Society* by-laws, all persons joining the club in 1963 are to be charter members. Maggie Koon researched the club minutes and found the following names: Mrs. Roy Hurst, Dr. Anna Beth Connell, Mrs. H. D. Johnson, Mrs. Foster W. King, Mrs. J. R. Hanna, Mrs. Louise Dyer, Mrs. J. R. Jackson, and Mrs. Lee Prahl."

In their early years, they provided and planted 450 cultivars at Lufkin's main post office. Sadly, that post office is no longer the main one; truthfully, I'm

not even sure it's still in use, and all those daylilies are long gone.

LDS co-hosted the Region 6 Meeting in Nacogdoches in 2007 and hosted the Meeting in 2012, Both meetings were held in Nacogdoches at the historic Fredonia Hotel. Garden tours were held in the Lufkin area gardens of Rev. and Mrs. Marlow Shubert, Mr. & Mrs. Chic Chicoine, and Ms. Jeanetta Stewart. For lots of photos of these events, please refer to this archival account on the ADS Region 6 archival website:

http://www.ahsregion6.com/newsletter_archive.htm

We will continue to love and garden with daylilies; after all, they are our favorite hobby (and/or obsession.)

We were the Lufkin Daylily Society.

Memories and Faces From the 2007 and 2012

Region 6 Meetings



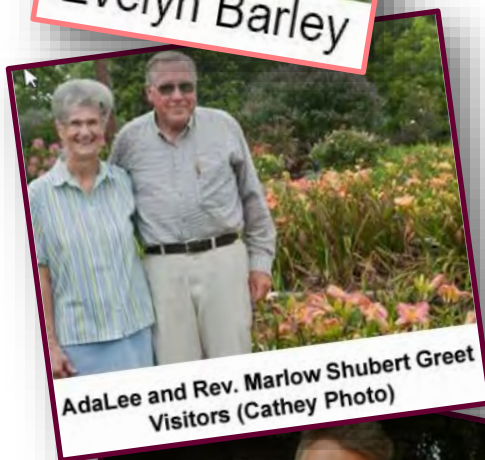
Evelyn Barley



Jack Carpenter and Josie Bomar



Sally Eschenfelder



AdaLee and Rev. Marlow Shubert Greet Visitors (Cathey Photo)



Donna Chicoine, Meeting Chair, Welcomes Attendees (Chiapetta Photo)



Jeanetta Stewart Greets Visitors to Her Daylily Garden (Murdock Photo)



Jean Barnhart and Mark Carpenter (Amerson Photo)



Houston Area Daylily Society Basket Winner Pat Levins (Chiapetta Photo)



Bus Captain Chic Chicoine Details Rules For The Garden Visit (Amerson Photo)

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The North Texas Daylily Society meets August-May at the Fort Worth Botanical Gardens. While



Mark Carpenter, owner of *The Lily Farm* in Center, TX (photo from Facebook)

there is a charge to visit the garden, there is no charge to attend meetings, sales or other club events at the garden.

We came back from our summer break with a fun August meeting and a visit from Mark Carpenter. We love hybridizers visits!

Our September meeting featured an exciting presentation from Michael Perez from the Fort Worth Nature Center. He taught the club about the fall bird migration. It was a great compliment to his spring migration presentation. The City of Fort Worth is participating in the Lights Out Texas program, so this information has been really informative and timely. <https://texanbynature.org/projects/lights-out-texas/>



Michael Perez (photo from Fort Worth Nature Center website)



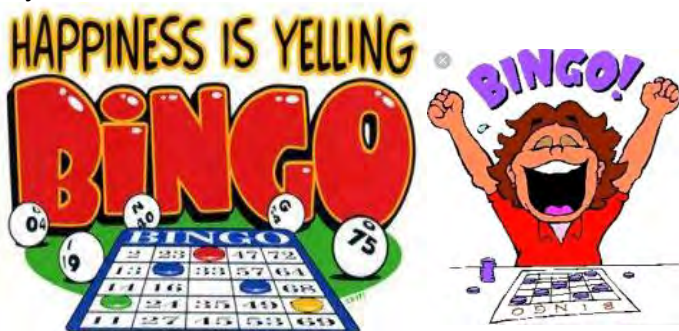
H. 'Margo Reed Indeed' (Murphy-J.P., 2004) (photo by Peggy Cathey)

The Fort Worth Botanical Garden is about to kick off their fabulous Lightscape Display (more information on this spectacular event can be found here: <https://fwbg.org/lightscape>). This means we move our holiday party offsite. This year's party will be December 6th and will replace the November and December meetings.



If you are interested in joining our club or attending any of our meetings, please reach out to Rebecca Reed at becca267@hotmail.com with any questions.

In October we have fun playing daylily Bingo and members got to win some exciting plants from Jim Murphy and Margo Reed as well as some donated by club members.



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