



Metropolitan Columbus Daylily Society

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DATES TO REMEMBER IN 2017

Sunday, February 5, 2017

Daylily Pre-Sale, 1 P.M.

MCDS Winter Meeting, 2 P.M.

Speaker: Mark Druckenbrod

Lily Creek Gardens

Veridian Room

Region 2 Winter Meeting

Indianapolis, IN

February 24-26, 2017

Saturday, May 6, 2017

MCDS Spring Auction, 1 P.M.

1:00 P.M. Classrooms A-D

AHS National Convention

Norfolk, VA

June 21-24, 2017

Northern Mecca Open Gardens

July 7-9, 2017

Sunday, July 9, 2017

MCDS Daylily Show

Region 2 Summer Meeting

Grand Rapids, MI

July 14-16, 2017

Saturday, August 12, 2017

MCDS Sale, 10:00 A.M. to noon

Meeting, & Auction, 1:00 P.M.

Shirley Farmer Fall Meeting, Dayton

Saturday, November 4, 2017

Sunday, November 5, 2017

MCDS Fall Meeting

Speaker: Scott Elliott

Sunday, December 3, 2017

Holiday Luncheon

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Beth Veldey

December is over, and we have about five more months until daylily season, but there are still ways to satisfy a craving for color.

Attend our meeting on February 5 when Mark Druckenbrod will show us slides from his Lily Creek Gardens. Starting at 1:00, select and buy plants from our Ohio Hybridizer Garden to be delivered in August. Look up photos of the pre-sale plants listed in this issue on the MCDS website.

Many of our hybridizers listed at www.daylilytrader.com have already updated their websites with 2017 introductions. Mike and Sandy Holmes, Jamie Gossard, and Bret Clement are some of the Region 2 hybridizers who have posted.

Support the AHS Region 2 auction at the Winter Meeting in Indianapolis in February. Mike and Sandy Holmes and Bob Faulkner are among those presenting programs there.

AHS President Nikki Schmith announced the inaugural Facebook Fundraiser Auction to benefit the AHS General Fund. It begins Sunday, January 15, 2017 at <https://www.facebook.com/ahsdaylilies/>. There are all kinds of unique daylily-related items.

VICE-PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Bob Faulkner

Our February speaker is MCDS member Mark Druckenbrod from Moreland Hills, OH. Mark has worked as horticultural consultant with the Cleveland Botanical Garden since 1984, serving as Horticulturist, Director of Horticulture, and Director of Research and Conservation. He developed the landscape plans for collections in the new Glasshouse and has done extensive research on tropical butterflies around the world. He is also President of the Board of the Lake View Cemetery Foundation in Cleveland. Besides historically significant monuments and memorials, the cemetery is an arboretum with some of the city's oldest trees.

Besides maintaining a private greenhouse with a collection of over 600 orchid cultivars, he has registered 20 daylily cultivars since 2014. His program will include all of his passions: butterflies, orchids, and daylilies. The garden website is at www.lilycreekgardens.net.

AHS AWARD WINNERS ANNOUNCED

The Stout Silver Medal is the highest award in the pyramid of cultivar awards. The honor is 2016 was given to *H.* ‘Rose F. Kennedy’ (Doorakian 2007).

One of the 4 Stout Silver Medal Runner-ups was Jamie Gossard’s *H.* ‘White Eyes Pink Dragon’ for the second year in a row.

Only 12 Award of Merit honors are given annually.

Congratulations to Jamie Gossard who received an Award of Merit honor for *H.* ‘Green Arrow’.

Jamie’s *H.* ‘Heavenly White Lightning’ was one of the runner-ups.

Sixty Honorable Mention honors were given in 2016. Congratulations to our Ohio Hybridizers who won Honorable Mention Awards:

- Jamie Gossard for *H.* ‘Exotic Starfish’
- Jamie Gossard for *H.* ‘Green Inferno’
- Jamie Gossard for *H.* ‘Red Kangaroo’
- Jamie Gossard for *H.* ‘Thundercat’
- Jamie Gossard for *H.* ‘Time Stopper’
- Sandy Holmes for *H.* ‘Walt Lowry’
- Richard Norris for *H.* ‘Repeated Discovery’
- Tom Polston for *H.* ‘Dan Bachman’

Congratulations to our Ohio Hybridizers who won other Specialty Awards:

Extra Large Diameter Award to Dan Bachman for *H.* ‘Tall Dark and Handsome’

Ned Roberts Spider/Unusual Form Award to Sandy Holmes for *H.* ‘Walt Lowry’

A Special Thank You to Rita Isgro for volunteering to donate *H.* ‘Rose F. Kennedy’ to the Ohio Hybridizers Garden in 2017. We welcome any other donations from the Award Winners list for the garden. ‘White Eyes Pink Dragon’, ‘Green Arrow’, Heavenly White Lightning’, and ‘Walt Lowry’ can be seen in the Ohio Hybridizers Garden and on the website.

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MEMBERSHIPS

Due by January 1

- Single Membership \$10.00
- Dual Membership \$15.00
(2 adults at same address)
- Youth Membership \$10.00
(paid by MCDS upon request)

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Membership in the AHS provides you with four issues of *The Daylily Journal* and three issues of Region 2’s *Great Lakes Daylily* each year.

Joining AHS also benefits our MCDS because we need more than 50% of our members to join AHS in order to have an accredited daylily show and qualify for AHS Judges.

Register at

www.daylilies.org

Daylily Pre-Sale at February 5 Meeting Begins at 1:00 PM

The most recent bed of daylilies at the Franklin Park Conservatory and Botanical Gardens has been in development since 2010, and the cultivars in that bed have not been divided. Last year's renovation of the two Awards beds reduced and rejuvenated those collections and provided additional funds to care for the Ohio Hybridizers Historic Garden. We plan again to offer plants first to the membership at a winter pre-sale and the remainder at the public plant sale in August.

Karen Ciula contacted hybridizers who donated their cultivars and offered to return the increase or agree to allow MCDS to sell the plants. Some of the increase in the collection will be returned to the donors. Four fans of selected cultivars will be replanted to the beds after amendments are added. The remainder will be sold at our public sale, so if you do not buy your chosen plants in February, you might find them on the sale tables in August.

Starting at 1:00 P.M. on Sunday, February 5, members may shop and buy plants to be delivered at the August 12 meeting. Cards with the name of the plant and the price will be clipped to a photo of the flower and set out alphabetically on tables in the Veridian Room. Members may take one (2 fans) or two cards (4 fans) for each plant they want to buy, write their name on the card, and pay at the Treasurer's table. To be fair, MCDS will not accept any requests to buy plants ahead of the Pre-Sale.

PLANTS OFFERED FOR \$10 (double fan)

Coral Bouquet (Williams 2014)
Pete Sakes (Williams 2014)
Queen City Dreamin' (Isgro 2013)
Ride the Lightning (Polston 2014)
Shabby Chic (Farmer-Stegall 2010)
The Ghost and the Darkness (Polston 2014)

PLANTS OFFERED FOR \$8 (double fan)

Alicia Bachman (Bachman 2010)
Ashwood Inferno (Norris 2010)
Ashwood Magic Crystal (Norris 2010)
Buddie Ollie (Fitzpatrick 2010)
But Wait There's More (Norris 2010)
Charmed by a Snake (Blanton 2010)
Cory Tipple (Norris 2010)
Dancing in a Pink Dress (Bachman-Strope 2008)
Emerald Pinwheel (Saliaris 2010)
Empire of Desire (Norris 2010)
Evansville's Girl (Blanton 2010)
Faux Orchid (Bushong 2010)
Fireblast (Gossard 2011)
Grace Elaine (Knackstedt 2010)
Grammie's Little Noah (Singer 2010)
Heavenly Fire and Ice (Gossard 2010)
Ladies Night Out (Norris 2010)
Larry Likes It (Work 2012)
Lunar Moth (Holmes S 2011)
Maj Maly Marika (Hric 2011)
Martha Lowry (Holmes S 2007)
Merry Marnie (Knackstedt 2010)
Molly Melcher (Campbell 2010)
Mystic Maize (Holmes S 2011)
Neverending Summer (Winter 2010)
Noe Claire (Winter 2010)
Northern Dazzler (Polston 2010)
Omega Red (Gossard 2011)
Plenteous (Applegate 2011)
Rowena Yaeger (Holmes S 2009)
Shining Angel (Gossard 2011)
Victorian Garden Emerald Breeze (Brooker 2010)
Victorian Garden Fine and Dandy (Brooker 2010)
Victorian Garden Michael Rocks (Brooker 2010)
Walking the Pattern (Hric 2011)
Wonderous Dreams (Bushong 2010)
Works for Me (Norris 2010)

Photographs of most of these daylilies can be viewed on the MCDS website. Follow the link under MCDS Member Gardens to Ohio Hybridizers Gardens. At the bottom of the page, follow the link to "View the Complete Ohio Hybridizers Gardens"; then click on "Albums" to open the Ohio Historic 2010s.

Will Marchant of Druid City Daylily Garden



Bob Faulkner, our intrepid Vice-President, presented our latest hybridizer speaker at our Fall meeting. Will Marchant of Druid City Daylily Garden gave a presentation on his hybridizing efforts to-date. Will started working with daylilies in Tuscaloosa, Alabama 23 years ago, before moving to his current home in Douglasville, Georgia. Will is a grade school principal by trade, and his “scientific mindset” led him naturally to begin a hybridizing program. Will prefers working with diploid and dormant varieties.

Will registered his first double daylily – *H. ‘La Ceiban Sunset’* – in 2002 (6” salmon pink peach polychrome.) His next double did not come until 2011, with the introduction of *H. ‘Viva Glam Girl’* (7.25” salmon double unusual form crispate.) The next doubles to be introduced were *H. ‘Iridescent Splendor’* in 2014 (an 8” unusual formed double,) and *H. ‘Red Stinger’* in 2015 (a 5.5” dark red double with large green throat.) 2017 double introductions will include *H. ‘Southern Sunrise’* and *H. ‘Stir it up’* (not yet in AHS database.)

H. ‘Blue Goblin’ (6” light lavender blue with smoky blue eye and edge,) introduced in 2013, was Will’s answer to the blue daylily. Will’s introductions to date number 43, and cover a wide range of style and color. Unusual patterns can be seen in his introductions, as with *H. ‘Memnoch’s Lair’* (2012 introduction with smoky red purple with darker spots) and *H. ‘Live Long and Prosper’* (6” cream with multi-patterned eye-zone introduced in 2014.)

You can read about Will’s hybridizing efforts on his internet blog.

Member profile – Jill Ann Ladrack

Jill Ann Ladrack is the 2016 Region II photo contest winner in the landscape category (see related article in the current newsletter.) Jill has been a member of MCDS for over 20 years. Jill grew up in the floral and landscape industry, and got interested in daylilies through Mitch Lynd of Lynd’s Fruit Farm. She lives in Pickerington and has a half-acre perennial garden with over 100 daylily cultivars. Jill describes her interest in perennials as truly a plant addiction.

Jill has owned Avantgarde Design, a graphic design, printing and marketing company, for over 23 years. Her artistic leanings led her to an interest in photography as a hobby. She has been involved in photography exhibits, and has sold photos of her work to the public. A design of Jill’s was used for one of the MCDS daylily show programs. While Jill has not recently been attending MCDS meetings, the award for her daylily photography has encouraged her to be a more active member. Hope to see you at the next meeting!



Metropolitan Columbus Daylily Society (MCDS) Meeting Minutes

November 6, 2016

President Beth Veldey called the meeting of the MCDS to order at 2:05 p.m. Beth announced that new member and officer name tags will now have stickers to help those individuals be recognized at meetings.

Officer and Committee Reports:

Scholarship

Wally Thomen introduced one of the scholarship recipients who was in attendance – Rachelle Hitt, who is a freshman at Ohio University in zoology. Wally again urged the membership to consider seeking the scholarship fund for themselves, their children or grandchildren next year. The deadline for submission is June 1.

Treasurer

Gary Stickel reported that we are still on budget for the current year. Gary provided a report that compared budget and actual figures for 2015 and 2016, as well as a proposed budget for 2017. With the summer show on only one floor next year, the budget for judges has been reduced. Postage costs were down for 2016 since that was the first year for the newsletter being e-mailed, but printing and postage costs are estimated to be slightly higher in 2017. Estimates for income from the spring and fall auctions are also estimated to be slightly lower in 2017. There are still some funds remaining in the 5-year reimbursement fund for attendance at the AHS national and regional conventions. A motion to approve the budget for 2017 was made by Patti Hitt and seconded by Mike Oatney. Motion passed.

Gary mentioned that he still had a few copies of the AHS publications *Double Daylilies*, and *The Illustrated Guide to Daylilies*.

Secretary

Bill Johannes moved to approve the August 13, 2016 minutes as printed in the MCDS newsletter. Motion was seconded by Bill Mellinger. Motion passed.

Karen Ciula (Franklin Park liaison)

Karen reported on the installation of an Ohio Hybridizer's daylily bed at the Governor's Residence, planted by her and Jane Adkins. (See details in the October 2016 newsletter.) An additional bed will be added next year, replacing a large planting of *H. Fulva*.

Karen announced that the club needs *H. 'Rose F. Kennedy'* for the Stout Medal Winners' bed (2016 winner) at the Franklin Park Conservatory. Anyone having this plant should contact Karen.

There will again be a sale of plants from the Conservatory beds that need to be thinned. The February pre-sale will include approximately 50 cultivars. Plant names will be listed in the next newsletter, and purchases made in February will be available in August, 2017. Plants will be cultivars introduced from 2010-2015.

Nominating Committee

Bill Johannes announced that the current officers had been asked to serve another year. As there were no further nominations from the floor, Gail Johannes moved to accept the slate of officers and Sylvia Mellinger seconded the motion. Motion passed. Officers will be Beth Veldey - President, Bob Faulkner- Vice-president, Gary Stickel – Treasurer, and Debby Colvin – Secretary

Membership

Jennifer Kuehn reported that \$500.00 in paid memberships has been received for 2017. Jennifer also noted that previous club membership had been as high as 300 individuals, and has fallen to approximately 181 members currently.

Old Business

Secretary Debby Colvin passed a sign-up sheet to gauge interest in the upcoming Bus tour, seeking names of interested parties, whether to provide lunch, and a possible charge per-person for the trip.

New Business

New members are currently receiving a “following-year” membership when joining on or after July 1. Secretary Debby Colvin presented an amendment to the MCDS by-laws to make the wording match this procedure (change the date in the by-laws from October 1, to July 1.) Motion to approve the amendment was made by Mike Oatney, and seconded by Bill Johannes. Motion passed.

President Beth Veldey reported on an issue of concern from the Region II Hemerocallis Society. The region has been printing the regional newsletter at a loss for the last two years. Costs run approximately \$9000.00 for two issues. The region is soliciting contributions from local clubs to make up the shortfall for the most recent printing, as well as the previous printing. There was considerable discussion by the membership concerning what, if any, contribution should be made, and how much it should be.

There was a motion to provide \$250.00 toward the previous newsletter printing. Motion carried. Further, Charles Lucius moved that \$500.00 be provided toward next year’s newsletter printing. Motion, seconded by Gail Johannes passed. It was mentioned that other local clubs have been more generous with their monetary assistance to the newsletter printing. At this comment, Charles Lucius pointed out that our club had contributed \$10,000 to Region II in 2012 from proceeds of the National Hemerocallis Society Convention held here in Columbus.

Sandy Holmes, who is the President-Elect of Region II, spoke of her concern about working from a budget that is out of balance. She hopes to be able to be more fiscally responsible next year and end the process of having a deficit budget. Recently, the region has only been able to balance its budget by making use of monetary reserves. Beth asked Sandy Holmes to more thoroughly discuss the finances of Region II at a future MCDS meeting in 2017.

Many of our local membership do not have access to printed Region II newsletters, and there was discussion concerning making copies of these newsletters available to interested parties at the MCDS meetings. To that end, a suggestion was made that MCDS members who are also members of the national organization might provide copies of their Region II newsletters at MCDS meetings, after they have finished with them.

The formal meeting was adjourned at 2:50 p.m. for refreshments, and to hear our featured speaker, Will Marchant.

Respectfully submitted,
Debby Colvin, Secretary

Congratulations to Our Photographers

Several of our members' photographs were selected in 2016 to be published in the Region 2 *Great Lakes Daylily Newsletter* photography contest. Congratulations to Jill Ann Ladrack for her Best Landscape photograph. Honorable Mentions for Debby Colvin, Antonio Garabis, Jill Ann Ladrack, and Beth Veldey will appear in the Spring issue. Other entries were from Karen Ciula, Dick Henley, Bill Johannes, and Sylvia Mellinger. The winning photographs were selected from 131 submissions from 28 photographers for the three categories: Single Flower, Artistic, and Landscape.

Also, be sure to see the photograph of Jackie Lundberg and her AHS Tri-Color Award winning design from the 2015 show in the Winter 2016 issue of *The Daylily Journal*.

December 4, 2016 Holiday Potluck

Over 50 members of the MCDS gathered on Sunday, December 4th at the Franklin Park conservatory to share a delicious Holiday potluck meal.

There was a very short business meeting opened by our President Beth Veldey. Treasurer Gary Stickel announced that he had copies of the AHS book *Open Form Daylilies* for sale for \$21.50, or \$22.00 if paying by credit card. Karen Ciula again mentioned that there will be a pre-sale of cultivars (daylilies registered in the years 2010-2015) to be culled from the club Conservatory beds. A listing of the available cultivars will appear in the January MCDS newsletter. Vice President Bob Faulkner announced that our February speaker will be Mark Druckenbrod (Lily Creek Gardens), and our November speaker will be Scott Elliott (Maneki Neko Gardens.)

After the brief business meeting, names were drawn to distribute gift exchange items, for those individuals taking part.

Next, Bill Johannes presented a slide program of a trip that he took with his wife, Gail, and fellow MCDS members Jeff and Darlene Kerr to the Keukenhoff Gardens in Amsterdam.

Following Bill's slide presentation, the Grace Notes choral group from the Columbus School for Girls entertained the audience with two lovely Christmas numbers.

At the end of the get-together the poinsettia table decorations were raffled to several lucky winners.

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2017
DAYLILY PRE-SALE STARTS 1:00 P.M.
WINTER MEETING
2:00 P.M.
VERIDIAN ROOM

SPEAKER: MARK DRUCKENBROD
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FIRST CLASS

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