



Metropolitan Columbus Daylily Society

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DATES TO REMEMBER IN 2018

Sunday, February 4, 2018

Daylily Pre-Sale, 1 P.M. (see pg 4)

MCDS Winter Meeting, 2 P.M.

Speaker: Bob Selman
Blue Ridge Daylilies
Veridian Room

Region 2 Winter Meeting

Indianapolis, IN
February 23-25, 2018

Shirley Farmer Spring Meeting

Saturday, March 10, 2018, Dayton

Sunday, April 29, 2018

MCDS Spring Auction
1:00 P.M. in Classrooms A-D

AHS National Convention

Myrtle Beach, SC
June 6-9, 2018

Sunday, July 1, 2018

MCDS Daylily Show

Flag City Daylily Tour

Northern Mecca Open Gardens

July 6-8, 2018

Saturday, August 11, 2018

MCDS Sale, 10:00 A.M. to noon
Meeting, & Auction, 1:00 P.M.

Shirley Farmer Fall Meeting, Dayton

Saturday, November 3, 2018

Sunday, November 4, 2018

MCDS Fall Meeting
Speaker: TBA

Sunday, December 2, 2018

Holiday Luncheon

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Becky Stickel

Happy New Year MCDS! Welcome to 2018! My daughter, Alyson recently wrote, "I love new beginnings. The beginning of new friendships, new careers, new hobbies, new relationships, that first day of a new month, and especially a new year! That feeling of hope that bubbles up inside you when you start something new that's just so exciting and who knows, it could possibly change your life! Oh the possibilities! They are endless when you start something new!"

My hope for each of us this year, is that we can all embrace 2018 with an excitement that the new year is here and the possibilities are endless for our club, our gardens, our friendships and our lives. Thank you for being a part of our club. Every one of you is important and vital to keeping MCDS flourishing. Our club was founded on our mutual love of daylilies and for encouraging that love in others. This year as we head into the new year, I would like to challenge each of you to speak to someone new about your favorite daylily! Then invite them to the meeting on February 4th! Oh the possibilities!

VICE-PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Charles Lucius

Our February 4th speaker will be Bob Selman of Blue Ridge Daylilies. I know many of our MCDS members visited Bob's magnificent gardens during the Asheville National Convention, and many of us grow his beautiful daylilies in our own gardens.

Robert Selman has been growing and hybridizing daylilies for 24 years in the mountains of western North Carolina on his family's farm. Due to the climate in his zone 6 garden at an elevation of 2,300 feet, his hybridizing focus has been hardiness, plant habit and garden appeal. Bob won the Region 15 Jeffcoat Hybridizer's Award in 2014 for his *H.* 'Alien DNA' and has also won AHS Honorable Mentions for 'Alien DNA', 'Clown Parade', 'Curls Gone Wild', 'Goody Goody Gumdrop', 'Asheville Tourist' and

‘Asheville Sunlit Rainbow’. In 2017 he won the AHS R. W. Munson Award with ‘Alien DNA’ as well as two AHS Junior Citations for ‘Escape To Paradise’ and ‘Dragon Pinwheel’ which will be introduced in 2018.

Blue Ridge Daylilies was one of the major tour gardens for the 2014 AHS National Convention in Asheville, NC. The garden includes two acres of daylilies surrounded by extensive display beds with conifers, ornamental shrubs and grasses, rhododendrons, daffodils and hardy perennials. Now working in partnership with Eric Simpson, the garden is expanding, and mail order sales continue to grow. Visitors are welcome during peak bloom from the last week in June until the middle of July. Bob’s introductions can be seen at www.blueridgedaylilies.com.



Blue Ridge Daylilies, 2014 AHS National Convention



H. Asheville Sunlit Rainbow

For newer members who may wish to know more about the MCDS, charter member Virginia Myers has graciously offered this history.

Metropolitan Columbus Daylily Society 1985 to 1994

In the beginning, several members from the Ohio Daylily Society in Mansfield who lived in the Columbus area decided to organize a local daylily club. In the Fall of 1985, Dick Henley, Pat Crooks, Bob Terbeek, and Bernie Grebus (and several others who are no longer members) began the Columbus Daylily Society, later changed to Metropolitan Columbus Daylily Society.

Our first society officers were Dick Henley as president, Bob Terbeek as vice president, Pat Crooks (who later became Mrs. Henley) as secretary, and Janet Withers as treasurer. The first meeting was held with 21 members in attendance. The original charter members still with the club are Dick and Pat, Janet, and Ed and Virginia Myers. At the second meeting, Donna Dietch was welcomed as a charter member.

Director of Inniswood Metro Gardens, Ruth Pardue, agreed to sponsor our early flower shows, the first one of which took place in July 1986. Ruth presented gifts from Inniswood to the club - our beautiful, silver “Queen of Show” tray and award ribbons. Our beautiful tablecloth for the awards table was made by longtime member, Janice Bailey.

Our first daylily sale for the public was held at Franklin Park Conservatory in 1987 where Bob was a docent. Ed Myers, our first plant sale chairman, was given \$100 from the treasury to buy daylilies for the sale. Dottie Warrell, a commercial hybridizer, generously donated \$100 worth of daylilies. Another \$100 worth were purchased from member Handy Hatfield. Due to our enthusiastic daylily buyers, every plant was purchased in 20 minutes with \$1,500 in sales.

After the sale, we held an informal meeting that afternoon at Franklin Park. Sitting in the circle were Dick and Pat, Bob and Marge Terbeek, Lura and Doris Emig, Janet, Donna, Bernie and Dora Mae Grebus, and Ed and Virginia. Pat made a suggestion that we purchase plants from known hybridizers to grow for three years, keeping one for our own gardens and returning the increase for a members-only auction. One of the goals of the plan was to give members newer and better daylilies for the flower shows. An added bonus was that members were able to increase the variety of daylilies in their gardens and at the shows and sales. Ed was MCDS' first auctioneer.

The second public plant sale was held at Gahanna Municipal Building, thanks to Dick's connections. The third sale was held at the Whetstone Park of Roses in 1989. This was a good year for MCDS as attendance and membership grew. Bill and Gail Johannes, Jim and Becky McMurray, Jennifer Kuehn, Sharon Fitzpatrick, Lynn Fronk, and Gisela Meckstroth became MCDS members, at the 1989 plant sale or the next meeting. Due to the popularity of our beautiful flower shows, membership more than doubled by 1990.

American Hemerocallis Society judges began to notice that MCDS had the most up-to-date daylilies in our flower shows. Regional newsletters and judges reported the ideas which MCDS had implemented, and soon other clubs used these ideas for their own plant auctions and flower shows.

In the beginning, our club approved annual dues of \$10 per member. After the club began to accumulate finances, the members voted to set the dues at \$5 for single members or \$6 for two members in the same household. Youth were included. This money was used to cover the costs of printing newsletters, postage, and general expenses.

Several members have been newsletter editors: Bob Terbeek, Virginia Myers, Shawn Rickly, Gisela Meckstroth, Bill Johannes and presently, Karen Ciula. These dedicated members have kept the society well informed.

Nine youth members were organized in 1994 with Virginia as the first advisor. Several youth members have stayed with the club and are still active with daylilies today.

Our early club meetings were held at Inniswood from November 1985 until 1992. After the 1992 Ameriflora at Franklin Park, the club moved exclusively to Franklin Park Conservatory, where the meetings are held to this day. MCDS was one of the first organizations to donate items to Franklin Park to support their revitalization. We donated money to buy chairs, tables, window blinds, watering carts, and other needed items.

Christmas parties were first held in members' private homes, moving to Franklin Park Conservatory when the club grew in size.

Whether MCDS is called a society or club, we have meetings for the love of the beautiful flower daylily.

Metropolitan Columbus Daylily Society has been blessed with many excellent leaders and members over the years. I enjoyed reflecting upon the society's humble beginning. There is so much more to tell and I invite you to share your experiences.

Respectfully submitted,

Virginia Myers

November 2017

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Ed and Virginia Myers

Daylily Pre-Sale at February 4 Meeting Begins at 1:00 PM

For the past three years we have systematically reduced and rejuvenated the more recent collections in the Ohio Hybridizers Historic Garden. This has given our members an opportunity to buy newer and award-winning cultivars at bargain prices as well as to provide additional funds to care for the garden. This year we plan to offer the increase of cultivars from the 2000-2009 Moldovan beds, first to the membership at a winter pre-sale and the remainder at the public plant sale in August. These beds have been in development since 2010 and have not been divided.

Starting at 1:00 P.M. on Sunday, February 4, members may shop and buy plants to be delivered at the August 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 that 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; however, members who cannot attend may allow another member to shop and pay for them.

PLANTS OFFERED FOR \$5 (DOUBLE FAN)

Age of Aquarius (2001 HM 2005)
 Apollo's Fire (2002 HM 2006)
 April Fools (2001)
 Blackbeard Pirate (2002)
 Bombay Silk (2001 HM 2005)
 Broach Cameo (2002)
 Came to Believe (2002)
 Cameo Glass (2005)
 Changing of the Guard (Slanic+Moldovan 2005)
 Constantinople (2005)
 Countess Dubarry (2001)
 Date with an Angel (2002)
 Demon Rum (2002)
 Emperor's Nightengale (2003)
 Evening Eye Shadow (Moldovan+Woodhall 2009)
 Fairy Godmother (2003)
 Fairy Tale Princess (2003)
 Flying Trapeze (2005 HM 2009)

Frankincense and Myrrh (2001)
 Happy Destiny (2005)
 Harem House (2002)
 Hathaway Cottage (2005)
 Irish Rover (2001)
 Kamadeva (2002)
 Kyoto Swan (2001 HM 2004)
 La Dolce Vita (2002)
 Lady Khan (2001)
 Lilliput Lane (2003)
 Madhi (2005)
 Magyar Music (2002)
 Mason's Mark (2001)
 Midnight in Moscow (Moldovan+Woodhall 2008)
 Nostradamus (2003)
 On the Avenue (2005)
 Parallax View (2005)
 Pilgrim Fathers (2002)
 Prince of Thieves (2001 HM 2006)
 Queen Aahotep (2003)
 Queen of Angels (Moldovan+Woodhall 2008)
 Ramsgate (2005)
 Roger DeLongchamp (2005)
 Ron Valente (2003 HM 2007)
 Sacred Heart (2001)
 Sanctuary (2003)
 Sandra Grace Ross (2003)
 Seraglio (2003)
 Spanish Sahara (2003)
 Taras Bulba (2001)
 Teddy Bear's Picnic (2005 HM 2009)
 Tiffany Jewels (2002)
 Umbrellas of Cherbourg (2005)
 Vertical Horizon (2005 HM 2009)
 Wandering Minstrel (2001)
 Watusi Warrior (Chambers+Moldovan 2003)
 Whistling Oyster (Moldovan+Woodhall 2008)
 Widow's Walk (2005)
 Wizard's Wish (2006)

Photographs of these daylilies can be viewed on the MCDS website. Click the link under MCDS Member Gardens to Ohio Hybridizers Gardens. At the bottom of the page, follow the link to "View to Complete Ohio Hybridizers Gardens"; then click on "Albums" to open the Moldovan 2000s and Moldovan Awards albums. Hover over each photo to see the name of the cultivar.

Metropolitan Columbus Daylily Society (MCDS) Meeting Minutes

November 5, 2017

In the absence of President Beth Veldey, Vice-President Bob Faulkner called the meeting of the MCDS to order in the Veridian Room of Franklin Park Conservatory at 2:10 p.m. Bob began by mentioning a good meeting of the Shirley Farmer Hybridizers the previous day.

Old Business

Wally Thomen of the Scholarship Committee announced that the five current candidates for scholarship funds have not yet qualified for their reimbursements (a minimum grade point average of 2.0.) Wally did not have the names available of the candidates – they should be announced at the Holiday potluck in December.

Secretary's Report

Next, order of business was approval of the May and August minutes. Gail Johannes moved to accept the minutes as printed in the October newsletter. Ed Myers seconded – motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Gary Stickel provided copies of the current and proposed MCDS budgets. He asked members to take note of the special funds – Convention Reimbursements, and the Hybridizer Garden fund. Gary also pointed out the change to the 2018 budget for show judges. The budget reflects a change back to 9 judges because of increased participation in the 2017 show.

Gary brought up the issue of funding for printing of the Region 2 Newsletter. He moved that our club provide \$1,000 to Region 2 to be earmarked specifically for the printing of the Region 2 newsletter. Motion was seconded by Cathy Redenbarger. Motion passed.

After final discussion, Bill Johannes moved that the 2018 budget be accepted as amended. Motion was second by Patti Spahr Hitt. Motion passed.

The next topic of discussion was the Convention Reimbursement Program. Currently this program's five-year period is set to expire, but not all funds have been dispersed. There was considerable discussion about whether to continue the program, and how to disperse the remaining funds. It was finally decided that the program should continue for another year, with a limit of two reimbursements for any single MCDS member as outlined in the original program. Mike Oatney moved to continue the program as above. Patti Spahr Hitt seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Website and Education

Patti Spahr Hitt discussed our Facebook page, and the need for additional pictures from members to increase interest in the page, and therefore, daylilies in general. Bill Johannes volunteered to send an E-Blast to the membership to encourage participation in this project.

Membership

Jennifer Kuehn talked about the new badge system, and that as older badges need repair, they will be replaced with clip or magnet-backs instead of the current pins.

Jennifer announced that our current membership stands at 177, with 132 members also belonging to the American Hemerocallis Society. (This is 75%. The AHS has a program for recognizing certain percentages of national membership, and our percentage has been reported to them.)

Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee (consisting of Jennifer Kuehn – head, Bill Johannes, Steve Williams, Patti Spahr Hitt, and Beth Veldey) announced the proposed slate of officers for 2018. They are Becky Stickel – President, Charles Lucius – Vice-President, Gary Stickel – Treasurer, and Debby Colvin – Secretary. There being no nominations from the floor, Bill Johannes moved to accept the slate of officers as proposed. Patti Spahr Hitt seconded the motion – motion passed.

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Awards and Citations

Bob Faulkner recognized our members who had recently won awards through the AHS: **Jamie Gossard** – Stout medal for *H. Heavenly United We Stand*, first runner-up for Stout medal for *H. White Eyes Pink Dragon*, Award of Merit for *H. Purple Tarantula*, and Award of Merit runner-up for *H. Heavenly White Lightening*. Jamie also received Honorable Mention Awards for *H. Big Birds Friend*, and *H. Humungousaur*.

Tom Polston – three junior citations for seedlings *Ann Bingham*, *Killer Teeth*, and *Tropical Twist*.

Scott Elliott – junior citation for seedling *Lone Stranger*.

Sandy Holmes – Honorable mention award for *H. Tidewater Elf*.

New Business

Secretary Debby Colvin introduced an amendment to the By-Laws to change the number of a quorum for official business from 50 members to 35 members (leaving the number of officers required at 2.) She explained that this number would approximate the same percentage of total members, since our membership now stands at 177 individuals. After discussion, this motion to accept was made by Bill Johannes and seconded by Becky Stickel – motion passed. The By-Laws will be updated to reflect this new number.

Bob Faulkner brought up the topic of generating a brochure to describe procedures for organizing a regional daylily meeting. Bob and Gail Braunstein have been in discussion to work up this brochure. It was mentioned that there might already be a similar document available from the national organization. Consensus of those commenting seemed to be that such a document, if produced, should not be in printed form, but be available for downloading. Further discussion will be needed.

A survey was passed out, produced by Charles Lucius, asking for input on possible general topics of discussion for future meetings. Members were asked to put the four suggestions in their preferred order. Charles will use the information as he seeks speakers for 2018.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned and Scott Elliott, the speaker for the day, was introduced.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debby Colvin, Secretary

Metropolitan Columbus Daylily Society (MCDS) Meeting Minutes

December 3, 2017

President Beth Veldey opened the December meeting of the MCDS at 1:20 p.m. in the Veridian Room of Franklin Park Conservatory. Beth welcomed all the members to our annual Holiday potluck and reviewed the events for the afternoon. After a brief meeting, members will proceed to a lunch buffet. Afterwards there will be a gift exchange for those bringing gifts, and then the membership will be treated to a slide show of member gardens produced by Debbie Hurlbert and her husband. (Debbie's husband checks on eagle nestings throughout the region, so they combined their interests on this project.)

Beth proceeded to thank all the individuals who contributed to a successful year including Bob Faulkner (Vice-president), Gary Stickel (Treasurer), Debby Colvin (Secretary), Jennifer Kuehn (Membership), Patti Spahr Hitt (Facebook), Naomi Hatfield and Fred Blythe (Refreshments), Bill and Gail Johannes (Guest Plants and more!), Jeff Kerr (Website), Barbara Cook and Wally Thomen (scholarships), Mike Oatney and Steve Williams (Plant sale), and Karen Ciula (Franklin Park Liaison and more!) Beth also recognized incoming club officers President Becky Stickel and Vice-President Charles Lucius. (Secretary Debby Colvin and Treasurer Gary Stickel are continuing their positions for another year.) Beth made a special point of thanking all our club daylily hybridizers who do so much for the MCDS.

Beth reminded those in attendance that Patti really needs pictures for our Facebook page.

Beth announced that the next meeting of the MCDS will be February 4, 2018. The results of the survey taken at the last meeting put the club interests for speakers in the following order: Well known hybridizers, local hybridizers, general garden topics and AHS Region 2 topics. Results were passed on to Charles Lucius.

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There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned for lunch, the gift exchange, and the slide show.

Respectfully submitted,

Debby Colvin, Secretary

December 3, 2017 Holiday Party Slide Show

At the MCDS holiday party on December 3, Debbie Hurlbert treated those in attendance with a wonderful slide show of member gardens. Debbie had taken pictures this summer of a number of gardens, including shots of both members and plants. Following are some (if not all) of the locations presented: (Look up cultivars to see what is growing in member gardens!)

Steve Williams' O'Bannon Springs Daylilies (Debbie was impressed with the very tall *H. Columbus Ohio*, a 2012 introduction by Sandy Holmes)

Dick and Pat Henley's Daylily Lane (a daylily that caught her eye here was *H. Megatron*, a Gossard 2006 introduction)

Ed and Virginia Myers (an AHS display garden, and the standout *H. Because of You*, a Maryott 2006 introduction)

Don and Theda Losasso (*H. Chicks on Safari*, a 2014 Simpson introduction)

Bill and Gail Johannes (*H. Arts and Crafts*, a 2009 Salter introduction, and *H. Christmas in Oz*, a Herrington 2004 introduction)

Amazing Daylily Garden of Jerry and Becky Bushong.

Angel's Paradise Garden of Doug and Stacy Sayer (Debbie liked Doug's conifers)

Dailey Daylilies (John and Shirley Dailey - see their website)

Wally Thomen "In the Heart of Ohio" (*H. Baylee's Way*, a Reed 2014 introduction, and *H. Wally*, a Howard 1991 double introduction)

Marlee Farm of Lee Miller and her son's garden (*H. Zuni Eye*, a Roberts 1995 introduction)

Jim Rush (tropical banana trees and everything else)

Patti Spahr Hitt (*H. Primal Scream*, a very well-known Hanson introduction from 1994, and *H. Heavenly United We Stand*, a Gossard 2009 introduction) (Debbie was also impressed with all of Patti's many hosta!)

Beautyview Gardens of Bob and Susan Cochran (*H. Grand Canyon Sunset*, a Douglas 2008 introduction)

Jamie and Dianna Gossard's Heavenly Gardens (*H. Big Birds Friend*, Jamie's 2003 introduction)

Amity Abloom garden of Charles and Cynthia Lucius

Bob and Sharon Johnson (*H. Heavenly Masquerade*, a Gossard 2005 introduction)

Fred Blyth

Bob Faulkner's Natural Selection Daylilies (Bob hybridizes for complex eyezone daylilies)

Pleasant Valley Gardens of Doug Sterling and Tom Polston (*H. Armed to the Teeth*, a 2013 Polston introduction)

Riverbend Gardens of Mike and Sandy Holmes (*H. Miss Mayhem*, a 2014 Davisson introduction, and *H. Keep On Laughing*, a Smith introduction from 2009)

Ed Kraus (*H. Fear the Purple*, a Krauss 2013 introduction) and Kim McCutcheon's Pretty Petals Garden

Dan Bachman's Valley of the Daylilies (*H. Fire Foundation*)

Tom and Rita Isgrow (*H. Jefferson Starfish*, an Isgrow 2017 double introduction, and *H. I Pink I Love You*, an Isgrow 2016)

Franklin Park Conservatory (*H. Walt Lowry*, a Holmes 2011 introduction, and *H. Coral Bouquet*, a 2014 Williams double)

Jill Ladrick

Debbie Hurlbert (*H. Adonis*, a Connell 1953 introduction, *H. Techny Spider*, a Reckamp-Klehm introduction from 1987, and *H. Jane Mahan*, a Petit 2004 introduction)

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Membership in the American Hemerocallis Society 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 MCDS because we need more than 50% of our members to join AHS in order to have an accredited daylily show with AHS Judges. Register at: www.daylilies.org/AHSmemb.html

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2018
DAYLILY PRE-SALE STARTS 1:00 P.M.
WINTER MEETING
2:00 P.M.
VERIDIAN ROOM

SPEAKER: BOB SELMAN
BLUE RIDGE DAYLILIES
ALEXANDER, NC

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