MCDS CLUB NEWSLETTER

Promoting the virtues and beauty of the modern daylily, while having fun!

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MCDS Daylily Show 2023

Beautiful blooming daylilies were once again on display at the Upper Arlington Library, 2800 Tremont Rd., Upper Arlington, Ohio during the 2023 MCDS flower show on this past Saturday, June 24, 2023. The theme "The Greatest Show on Earth" featured a tribute to the 'Carnival In Caracas' daylily (Santa Lucia 2007)



'Carnival In Caracas' daylily (Santa Lucia 2007)

Many visitors to the library marveled at the beauty and diversity of the modern daylily. Although the bloom this year was just getting started, there were more flowers on display this year than last, and our members filled the library atrium with our lovely daylilies.

The Upper Arlington Tremont Branch Library has proved to be an amazing venue and brought in many members of the public in 2022 and 2023 and, as a result, even some new MCDS members. As it was last year, the importance of volunteer work in making the show a success was critical. Volunteers were involved in everything from the set up of breakfast for judges and getting the entrants inside the building, to safely moving the freshly groomed flowers, and getting the show room ready for all the viewers etc.

Award category winners for this year's show included the following: Seedling — entered by Steve Williams; Miniature Flower — Cranberry Baby (Croker, 1984) entered by Ed Mongold; Small Flower — Spacecoast Cheese Whiz (Kinnebrew-Gossard, 2013) entered by Angie Maly; Large Flower — Gisela's Sunshine

RENEW NOW!!

Renew your MCDS membership now for the 2023 calendar year. Membership is \$10.00 per individual per year and \$15.00 per household (two adults in same household) per year. Renew your membership by sending a check for the appropriate amount, your email address and telephone number to:
Nancy Turner, MCDS
Membership Chair, 164
Thurman Ave Columbus,
Ohio 43206

You can also renew in person at our February 10 meeting at Franklin Park Conservatory

MEMBERSHIP

Whether you have a large collection or are just now discovering daylilies, you are welcome to join MCDS

MCDS Membership:\$10.00 per individual per year \$15.00 per household (two adults in same household) per year

Enjoy meeting others who share your enthusiasm for daylilies – our members answer questions, often trade plants, and share their expertise and experiences growing daylilies

MCDS Daylily Show 2023 - continued

(Mondron, 2001) entered by Bob Cochran; Extra Large Flower -Buttercream (Whatley, 1998) entered by Getitia Brown; Spider -Azure Wings (Stamile, 2005) entered by Angie Maly; UF -Humungosaur (Gossard, 2013) entered by Getitia Brown; Double -Wally (Howard-T., 1991) entered by Charles Lucius. The show also
included a non-judged off-scape flower exhibit and, this year, a nonjudged design division.

The William Johannes Sweepstakes award (most blue ribbons) went to Steve Williams. Queen of Show, the top show flower, was Humungosaur.



'HUMUNGOSAUR'

MCDS 2023

BEST NOVICE FLOWER

BEST UNUSUAL FORM

QUEEN OF SHOW

Missing from our recent shows, the 2023 show saw entries for an unjudged Design Division. The Daylily Design division is a chance for exhibitors to use their creative side with daylily flower arrangement while celebrating the theme "The Greatest Show on Earth.



Design Title - "Under the Big Top"

Class A - People's Choice Award

Karen Ciula

MCDS 2024 SCHEDULE

MCDS Winter Meeting

February 10 @ 1:00 - 4:00 pm Franklin Park Conservatory.

MCDS Spring Meeting

May 11 @ 1:00 - 4:00 pm Franklin Park Conservatory. Plant Auction. Guest Plants.

MCDS Flower Show

June 29 12:30 pm - 4:00 pm Upper Arlington Library, 2800 Tremont Rd.

MCDS Summer Meeting

August 10 @ 1:00 - 4:00 pm Franklin Park Conservatory. Plant Auction.

MCDS Fall Meeting

September 21 @ 1:00- 4:00pm Franklin Park Conservatory.

MCDS Daylily Show 2023 - continued



Design Title - "Send in the Clowns"

Class B - Challenge design using leftover materials

Karen Ciula



Class C -People's Choice Award

Jackie Lundberg



Class C Barbara Snyder

The Circus is in Town!





Design Title - "Peanuts, Popcorn and Cracker Jack"

Class D - Small & Miniature Flowers

Karen Ciula Debby Colvin

President's "In Memorium" Message

My fellow Daylily Club members - Remembering Those We Lost

By Charles Lucius

For many reasons, 2023 marks a year worthy of celebration for our MCDS daylily club. However, the past year also included heartfelt losses resulting in grief and sadness.

Specifically, during 2023, we noted the passing of two long-time and active members – Antonio Garabis and Ed Mongold.

Although Antonio's illness kept him from being engaged during recent times, he and his wife Winnie significantly contributed to many MCDS activities and events, including our 2012 National Convention and our annual flower shows. In addition to growing a fabulous garden (that included lots of spectacular daylilies), Antonio was quick to help our club in any way that he was able. We've missed Antonio, and we continue to embrace Winnie in our thoughts and prayers.

Ed Mongold is best remembered for his quick smile and accompanying humor, his dedication to supporting MCDS and our core mission, his thoughtful inputs to club activities, and his passion for growing and sharing small/miniature daylily flowers. Ed took his beautifully grown little daylilies to shows and events throughout Ohio, where he was eager to engage everyone in discussions about the virtues and joys of growing his favorite flower. Ed's generosity is easily seen in the service he provided to our Franklin Park gardens this past Fall, even when he was not feeling well because of the medical treatment he was receiving. It is hard to imagine going into this new year without Ed actively involved with MCDS.

In our club, we share with each other a passion for gardening, and especially our passion for beautiful daylilies. However, I do recognize that in an organization of our size, there are many life activities, including heartaches, experienced by our members that we do not share with each other. On behalf of MCDS, I extend sincere sympathy to anyone who encountered any loss during the past year. Please know that we do care about our members, and with caring comes shared happiness as well as shared sorrow.



Antonio Garabis



Ed Mongold

Sincerely, Charles

Outgoing President's Message

By Charles Lucius

MCDS 2023 "Year In Review"

I am extremely excited about the upcoming year for our daylily club. However, before we jump right into the new year, I also think that it is appropriate to take a few moments to look back fondly at the year that has just ended.

In many ways, 2023 felt like we were emerging from a long, dark tunnel – and the warmth of the sunshine was wonderful! After negotiating our way through the uncertainty of the pandemic years, we've found a new club rhythm and really seem to be performing positively as an organization. And, as has always been the case, MCDS continues to be the fun, energetic, and successful organization that it is because of so many kind, generous and passionate volunteers!

Collectively, during 2023, we tried new things and accomplished spectacular results. We held a Judges Panel at our February meeting, when trained, experienced, and certified AHS Judges shared their knowledge with club members to help with both our garden plant selection and the process of exhibiting flowers in an accredited daylily show. In late June, we held our second annual flower show at the Upper Arlington Public Library, and included designs featuring daylilies in the event. Using generous donations from club members Mike and Sandy Holmes and Steve Williams, as well as plants from our own Franklin Park Conservatory gardens, we held a rousing plant sale at the July Region 2 Summer Meeting in Michigan. In August we held a fun members- only plant sale, and established a new record sales amount at our club plant auction. We concluded our year with a lively mid-November holiday luncheon celebration at the Der Dutchman restaurant in Plain City, where we learned from guest speaker Sarah Hinkelman about the fascinating Newark Earthworks, Ohio's only UNESCO World Heritage Site.

I'm thrilled that we were willing to try new things in 2023 – and that we actually enjoyed them! In our current times, change is necessary, but can also be rewarding. I'm equally proud of the fact that we leave 2023 with our club in an even stronger financial position than we were in when the year began. And I'm elated that we have continued to add new members to our club throughout the past year. How fantastic! I cherish all of our members – and recognize that there is no MCDS without each and every one of you.

All in all, I believe that we are positioned for really great things as we move into 2024. So, time now to say "goodbye" to 2023 – and "hello" to 2024. I can't wait to experience, and celebrate, the journey of this new year with all of you!

MEET OUR MEMBERS



2024 Member Profile – Penny Deibert

I am an OSU graduate and a big Buckeye fan. My degree is in History and I have used it to help me trace my family tree.

I am retired from Battelle, where I learned about daylilies from Patty Hitt, and Cynthia and Charles Lucius. I even got my two sons interested in daylilies. My first plants were from Lynd's but I got many from Amity Abloom. Years later I got some from O'Bannon and Perennial Plant Peddler. Sadly these wonderful places are no longer in business so I rejoined MCDS this year as a source of getting new daylilies.

Following are a couple of my favorite daylilies: Hemerocallis 'Where Eagles Soar' and H. 'Edge of Insanity.'



2024 Member Profile -

Pat Adams

I am a retired teacher/administrator from Columbus City Schools and currently work for the Superintendent part time, answering the phone calls and emails from citizens. I am also a docent at the Columbus Zoo and speak with the visitors at the Congo Region. I will be beginning my 44th year in January 1, 2024.

My next door neighbor, Penny Deibert, gave me a daylily several years ago. Since then I have acquired about 200 more. She taught me a lot about what to look for when purchasing daylilies and where to purchase many of the ones I currently own. She is also the reason for my joining MCDS.

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2024 Member Profile – Micheal Anders Ph.D.

I am a native of SE Texas and have lived in Findlay, OH, for the past 42 years. I taught public school and college for 45 years and "officially" retired from the University of Findlay in 2016, but still continue to work part-time at UF. In a former life, I was a performer on stage and in the concert hall as a tenor, but mostly active as a choral and orchestra conductor. My wife, Denise and I have two adult children, as well as a 4-legged child named Axel – a miniature red dachshund.

I began gardening 60+ years ago with my maternal grandmother and first discovered

daylilies at that time; however, I have been gardening "seriously" for about 25 years

and grow approximately 2500 different daylilies on a half-acre urban lot. For the past 15 or so years, I have been aggressively trying to collect all of the roughly 550 cultivars introduced by Steve Moldovan and Roy Woodhall, and I currently grow all but about 100. Several of my local gardening friends and I helped to organize Findlay's Flag City Daylily Tour that was awarded the first "Daylily Ambassador" citation by ADS in 2018. I have registered 21 cultivars and am continuing to work primarily with extra-large, wide petaled, traditional forms, particularly purples.

I am actively involved with AHS Region 2, serving as the region's auctioneer. In addition to MCDS, I am a member of the Ohio, Black Swamp, and Fort Wayne Daylily Societies.



A Gala Night at the Opera' (Anders-M., 2022)

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2024 Member Profile – Lisa Jelle

I have been Flute Professor at Capital University since I moved here for the job in 2003, from a one-year appointment with the Honolulu Symphony. I am also Principal Flute with the Central Ohio Symphony in Delaware, and the Ashland Symphony. My husband, Spencer Hobe, is a computer programmer at Chemical Abstracts, and fortunately is very supportive of my gardening addiction!

I am thoroughly enjoying MCDS, having been introduced to the group when I discovered Amity Abloom in 2019. Charles

2024 Member Profile – Lisa Jelle *(continued)*

and Cynthia handed me an MCDS brochure, and it's been a blast ever since! My collection is currently at 126 named daylilies; if I can't fall asleep at night, I mentally go around the garden naming them all until I drop off! Current garden passions are planting evergreens for winter interest and structural form; adding Japanese maples; and my first attempts at handpollinating my daylilies, collecting their seed, and growing the offspring. I have been winter sowing 40-60 containers for each of the last 5 years. Finally, my big 2024 gardening goals are to move towards larger groupings of a single plant, and the related goal of dividing my overgrown daylilies to create larger patches of single varieties for more impact.

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2024 Member Profile – Ann Duff

I am a retired Medical Technologist and worked 33 years at our local hospital. I live on a farm in Fayette County with my husband, my dog, and lots of flowers.

I'm a daylily lover! I have always loved plants, but became enamored with the beautiful cultivars I saw on the website of Heavenly Gardens. In 2018 I visited Jamie Gossard and bought a few.

During the pandemic I was bored at home, so I began tinkering with breeding the few named and unnamed

2024 Member Profile – Ann Duff (continued)

ones I had. The next year a few of the seedlings bloomed. I was hooked! I have about 150 seedlings and also about 150 named cultivars. I need to dig more gardens!

Reminder - Renew Membership for 2024!

(if you have not already done so)

Membership is \$10 per year for one adult, \$15 for two adults at the same address. All members who renew by our February meeting will be eligible to fully participate in all 2024 club activities, **including** the **Spring Guest Plant distribution**.

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2024 Member Profile – Robin Fauth

I work for a large financial institution as a consultant, and I have been with the same company now for 22 years. My husband and I have two daughters, ages 10 and 8, two German shepherds, and three cats. We recently moved into our new home in the country, where we now have several acres of land to plant new gardens. When I'm not working or gardening, I enjoy cooking, entertaining, volunteering, and spending time outdoors with my family.

I am relatively new to flower gardening.
Growing up, my family always had a vegetable garden and a few flowers here and there. I grew up along a river, so I remember admiring ditch lilies that stretched for miles in the summertime. My husband and I started our own vegetable

2024 Member Profile –

Robin Fauth (continued)

and herb garden shortly after moving into our first home many years ago. I planted petunias every year in our front flower bed, but I never really got into flower gardening. Not because I didn't like flowers, but mostly because I didn't really know much about them (what's a perennial?!?) That all changed in 2020. I picked up a daylily from the Gahanna Plant Library that wasn't the yellow kind from a big box store. It was called Strawberry Candy. It bloomed, and I was hooked. I discovered that I was missing out on so many other beautiful flowers.

To say that I have become addicted to flower gardening over the past few years is an understatement!! I now grow all kinds of flowers, from daylilies to dahlias, iris and zinnias, daffodils and tulips. I enjoy showing them off to anyone that is interested, and I'm always eager to plant something new. I joined MCDS in 2022 in hopes of learning more about daylilies and meeting others that shared a similar interest. I have met a lot of wonderful folks and learned so much about daylilies in my short time as a member.





2024 Member Profile Letitia and Joe Brown

We reside on a 70 acre farm in Pickaway County just a few miles north of Circleville. Joe retired from the Medical field (orthopedic and cardiac) in 2016 and I retired (Global Human Resources - industrial packaging) in the fall of 2019. We have 4 sons, 3 grandchildren (3 girls and 1 boy) and one great grandson. We raise a few quarter horses; our middle granddaughter shows hunter jumper quarter horses; and our youngest granddaughter (in addition to gardening) shows quarter horses in a variety of disciplines. She is the reason we became members of MCDS. Joe is an avid scuba diver of over 50 years and I am a novice diver but enjoy the diving adventures especially traveling to warm tropical islands during Ohio winters! Our 16-year-old grandson has picked up this exciting diving hobby and hopes to join us in 2024.

In early June of 2019, our 9- year-old (at the time) granddaughter's garden club held an open club flower show, so she selected a variety of flowers (including some of the very few early blooming daylilies) from our joint flower gardens to enter in her first flower show. The daylilies available at the time for her to select from were primarily obtained from "Gilbert Wild" and Brecks along with several unnamed varieties

from my mother's and grandmother's gardens that had moved along with our family throughout the years. At the conclusion of our granddaughter's first flower show, we decided to search for additional earlier blooming daylily varieties at Ann Brickner's Perennial Plant Peddler farm in Findlay Ohio.

Ann was extremely helpful, knowledgeable and informative in assisting us in selecting some early season and exhibition quality daylilies. We noticed a daylily labeled Velvet Hammer – and she explained that this daylily was not available for sale at this time as it was being grown by her as a guest plant for MCDS and it would only be available for sale to MCDS club members via auction.

At the conclusion of our visit, Ann provided us with a wealth of daylily reading materials, an application to the national club, contact information for MCDS along with 25 newly purchased daylilies! We marked August 10 on our calendar and the next thing you know, we were attending our first MCDS meeting, signing up to join the club and were hopeful





2024 Member Profile Letitia and Joe Brown (continued)

that we would be able to purchase Velvet Hammer in the plant auction. Velvet Hammer plus 6 auction daylilies returned home with us that day, along with 7 additional daylilies from the public sale. In 2020, we decided to use the COVID shut down time (and my new retirement) as an opportunity to improve the flower gardens. The rose, dahlia, daylily, perennial, annual and woodland gardens were reorganized and new soil and drainage added where needed. Plants were labeled. Our small vegetable garden was also improved and amended with compost

Using some of the limited knowledge gleaned from participating in two open County Fair flower shows, I thought it would be a great learning experience to enter the 2023 MCDS daylily show (Joe is still learning to distinguish a young daylily start from a weed!)

Approximately 90% of our 2023 daylily show entries were from the daylilies which we purchased in 2019 from the Perennial Plant Peddler (including our award-winning Humungousaur) and the 2019 August MCDS auction.

We are committed to paying forward the patience and helpfulness we received from members to new members as we continue to gain knowledge.

If you ever plan on being in the northern Pickaway County area, we extend a sincere welcome to you to visit our farm and gardens – just email us at – buckeyewcf@aol.com to set up a time, as the horse adventures often result in frequent travel during the warmer season months. Of note, a special time on the farm is the spring foaling season that begins for us in March.

Thank you again so much for the very warm welcome from the MCDS club members!

November, 2023

MCDS Work Day at Franklin Park

Our club has had several work days this year at Franklin Park to deadhead, trim, and weed the daylily beds we maintain. The August work day was thought to be the last. However, it became clear in late autumn that another work day would be required. So, on November 15, seven individuals showed up to trim and weed one last time. The plants looked rather amazing for the time of year – and although some were dormant for the season, many were healthy and full of long green leaves. The volunteers amassed two towering piles of spent scapes, plant trimmings, and fallen tree leaves (which were later gathered by the Conservatory work crew.) It was a beautiful, sunny day and the volunteers enjoyed some camaraderie as they worked. It was a morning well spent. The club can always use more volunteers for this activity – so consider volunteering in 2024!



MCDS November Work Day volunteers: Fred Blyth, Nick Schrader, Bob and Sharon Johnson, Karen Ciula, Charles Lucius, and Debby Colvin (not pictured.)

Daylily 101

My Favorite Daylily - 2023

"My Favorite Daylily" is meant to be a recurring feature. Of course for those of us who love daylilies, it can be an incredibly difficult question to answer. Often it is the daylily showing off right now in our garden that is our favorite. However, this feature is meant to highlight those daylilies that we think are so amazing that they really belong in everyone's garden. These are the daylilies that we would suggest that our fellow club members should make room for no matter how crowded their current gardens are. I'd like to thank Getitita Brown

for her initial offering for this feature (see below) which sprung out of a conversation we had at our holiday luncheon. I also want to thank Nancy Secrist, who submitted on Facebook, she chose Curt Hanson's "Lingering Splendor" as a proven rebloomer and great performer. This "hardy and a subtle beauty" is a late bloomer that is usually the last blooming daylily in her garden before winter.



Lingering Splendor (Hanson-C., 1999)

My Favorite Daylily

"Down by the Creek"

By Getitia Brown

Our largest daylily garden sits parallel to a road that we pass by at least twice daily year around on our way to tend to our livestock. I always find it fascinating on these multiple daily drives, to observe how the various daylily varieties grow and produce during the season. Some varieties never fail to delight year after year, while others can have an off year or just be categorized in the "fail to thrive" designation. Although I have a number of favorite varieties of daylilies, there is one daylily that is at the very top of my all-time favorite list - which I have nicknamed the "energizer bunny", however, its official name is "Down by the Creek" – a 2020 - 8.25 UF reverse bitone, hybridizer - Paul Owen, with a 42 Scape height.

Daylily 101

My Favorite Daylily - 2023

"Down by the Creek" (continued)

Here is how Paul Owen describes "Down by the Creek" - What GORGEOUS cascading form... AND colors!!! Simply FLAWLESS unusual form, and of <u>quite nice</u> dimensions. It's a bud builder, and I've had single scapes produce as many as 38 of these super-sized and free-flowing bad girls! Truly unusual, and VERY desirable!!! One of the longest-blooming plants in the garden as a result, spanning from mid through very late season.

I'm not sure of Mr. Owen's definition of very late season, but out of over 150 daylily varieties in our gardens, "Down by the Creek", never failed to produce huge stunning colorful blooms once it started blooming. Plus, in 2023, it continued to bloom up through several light frosts in October and it was the 27 degree low on November 1 that finally stopped the endless flower show - when the heavy freeze occurred, remarkably it still had unopened blooms (now frozen) on two scapes.

I salute you Mr. Paul Owen, as your "Down by the Creek", is my personal favorite number one





Down by the Creek (Owen-P., 2020)

Meeting Minutes

Metropolitan Columbus Daylily Society (MCDS) Meeting Minutes September 23, 2023

Vice-President Sandi Rockwell opened the September meeting of the MCDS at 1:09 (quorum not present – 25 in attendance) in the classrooms of the Franklin Park Conservatory. Sandi used a slide presentation prepared by Charles Lucius – which opened with a lovely photo of our favorite plant – the daylily. Sandi thanked the many volunteers who have given their time for the club. Several gift cards were raffled during the meeting.

Karen Ciula discussed the volunteer work done at the daylily beds at Franklin Park Conservatory. All beds except the Moldovan cultivars were trimmed and weeded for the last time. Karen noted that one more volunteer workday may be needed to finish trimming the Moldovan beds.

Sandi read a poem by Thomas L. Reid called "Summer Passing."

Secretary: The motion to approve the minutes as e-mailed was made by Gail Johannes and seconded by Greg Cliffel. Motion passed.

Membership: Membership stands at 125, including several new members.

Finance: Bob discussed the current budget in detail, and noted that the club is in a very good financial position. Amounts budgeted for 2023 income and expenses were \$9310. To date, actual income is ahead of projections and expenses are well below budget. The club is in a good financial position, and the current CD is earning 4+ percent. Bob dispersed \$750 from the scholarship fund to Debbie Hurlbert of Howard, Ohio; and \$300 from the convention reimbursement fund was disbursed.

Sandi then reviewed the remaining club activity for the year as follows:

November 11, 2023 – 12:00-3:00 luncheon (with program about Newark Earthworks) and gift exchange at Der Dutchman Restaurant in Plain City. Member reservations can be sent to Debby Colvin with a check for \$10.00 made out to MCDS. Sandi then reviewed the past meetings and activities from 2023, including our very successful show at the Upper Arlington Library.

Sandi reminded those in attendance that individuals are needed to step up for open officer positions – President, Vice-president, and Secretary.

Sandi made note of other upcoming activities – including the National Convention in Oklahoma City on June 12-15, 2024, and the Region 2 Summer meeting hosted by the Ohio Daylily Society July 19-21, 2024.

New Business: Ed Mongold discussed at length the possibility of having a daylily exhibit (and perhaps a sale) at the Ohio State Fair. He had received a request by James Chakeres to participate at the fair. Ed and Steve Williams have previously had an exhibit at the Franklin

Meeting Minutes

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County Fair and approximately 9,000 individuals saw this exhibit. No motion was made concerning the topic, which was tabled until a quorum is available.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Debby Colvin, Secretary

MCDS Officers - 2024

The Officers for 2024 have been approved.

President -- Fred Blyth

Vice President -- Charles Lucius

Treasurer -- Patty Hitt

Secretary -- Debby Colvin, Laurie Jacques (apprentice)

I want to sincerely thank the team of 2023 Officers (Sandi Rockwell -- Vice President; Bob Cochran -- Treasurer; Debby Colvin -- Secretary) for their excellent service, their dedication, and the positive results they have helped to achieve for MCDS during their terms.

As announced previously, we have a new club Membership Chair, Nancy Turner. If you have not already done so, please mail your membership renewal payments (\$10 individual, \$15 two adults in the same household) to Nancy.

Nancy Turner 164 Thurman Ave Columbus, Ohio 43206

Likewise, I want to thank, once again, all the many, many volunteers who selflessly participated in many of our events this past year. Our club is a fantastic organization because of one very simple reason — we have fantastic members! Thank you.

- Charles Lucius

MCDS Volunteer Positions - 2024

Nearly all key volunteer positions are filled for 2024! No need to feel left out, however, there will be many opportunities for volunteering throughout the year!

Guest Plants: Record keeping/tracking -- Darlene Kerr; Spring plant order -- Jeff Kerr; August plant order (if needed) -- Charles Lucius

Club Email Communication - Charles Lucius

2024 Daylily Show -- Arielle Lucius, Chair; Gail Johannes, Co-chairs

FP Conservatory Liaison -- Karen Ciula

Garden Marker Sales -- Bob Cochran

MCDS Website - Jeff Kerr

Newsletter -- Greg Cliffel

Meeting Refreshments Beverage purchases and transport -- Fred Blyth

Refreshment organization, serving -- Sandi Rockwell

Scholarship Program -- TBD

MCDS Calendar - 2024

Our baseline calendar is also set for next year. We'll have 4 business meetings, all at the Franklin Park Conservatory: Saturday, February 10th; Saturday, May 11th; Saturday, August 10th; Saturday, September 21st.

The May and August meetings will include plant auctions. We'll distribute new club Guest Plants at the May meeting also — we are not planning for a second distribution of Guest Plants in August. Once again we are considering a plant sale as part of the August meeting. We are also investigating venues for a public plant sale to be held in late July or early August.

Our daylily show will be at the Upper Arlington Library on Saturday, June 29th.

- Charles Lucius

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Scholarship Program – TBD

Daylily Links (please report broken links, errors or suggested additions)

MCDS Website - https://columbusdaylilies.org/

MCDS Public Facebook Page - https://www.facebook.com/Columbusdaylily

MCDS Private Facebook Page - https://www.facebook.com/groups/315896629987839

National Daylily Society - https://daylilies.org/

Region 2 (Our Region) https://adsregion2.org/