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Above: Unknown daylilies at Husak Garden. Image credit to Lyle Moen.

On the back cover: Picture taken at Asher Creek Gardens. Image credit to Sabrina Sumsion

Correction: In the last issue, the front cover image credit was given to Lisa Schmidt. The photo was actually taken by Ginny Geetings.

Message from Steve Horan, Region 1 Director



Hello gardening friends

Steve Horan here reporting to you as your Director for Region One. I attended my first AHS Board meeting in July at the National convention in Asheville, NC. It was a wonderful convention and the second time I have been to Asheville. They really know how to grow their daylilies and was a pleasure to tour.

I thought I would start by giving you a breakdown of what a Board meeting is like as this was a new experience for me and interesting to share. First off, I was really struck by how devoted and committed the Board members are to our world of daylilies. They all work really hard on our behalf. We are fortunate to have so many volunteers that help us to enjoy all the benefits of our memberships in AHS. The operative word is volunteers. Everyone has jobs and lives outside of daylilies but are willing and eager to give of their spare time for our benefit. We should remember to be tolerant and thankful. I

know in my own case, there were several people stepping up to mentor me as I came on board and assist me with issues I might be having in my own activities.

My committee assignment is Garden Judges Records chair. One thing I would like to share is the creation of a new Garden Judges 3 workshop. I talked about this at our Regional meeting this summer. Many of you may be familiar with Garden Judges 1 workshop for learning the basics of garden judging and Garden Judges 2 workshop for hands on discussions in a garden setting. Garden Judges 3 workshop is now available to assist with renewing garden judges. This is still delivered by garden judge instructors but is now available online and at no cost as there are no printed materials to deal with. To summarize, GJ2 is for new judges and GJ3 is for renewing judges although one may still renew with GJ2 if so desired. This helps to expedite the process while still delivering the needed training. A great step forward for those of us who serve as Garden Judges for the AHS.

For your planning purposes, I am delighted to inform you of future conventions for the society over the next three years. In 2023, the National convention is in Nashville, TN on June 14-17. In 2024, the National convention is in Oklahoma City, OK on June 11-14. In 2025, the National convention is in Seattle, WA on July 10-12. I look forward to each of these conventions and the unique destinations each host site will have to offer.

The Fall Board meeting is coming up in October in Nashville, TN. I will by necessity be dialing in to this meeting via Zoom so hopefully that will go well. I guess we don't really "dial in" anymore but Zoom is a great option these days. This should be an exciting Board meeting as we vote on various awards such as the Lenington Award, Regional Service Awards, Electronic Media Award, Steve Moldovan Mentoring Award, Bertrand Farr Silver Medal, and the Helen Field Fischer Gold Medal Award.

Happy gardening everyone and see you soon at a daylily event.

Message from Val Hoefler, Region 1 President



Hello Everyone!

What a summer it has been. The lack of snow cover didn't seem to hurt the daylilies but it really took its toll on the grass and hostas. The first time I mowed the lawn this year, the sight of so many dead spots put me in a very depressed mood. Then, when the hostas showed their response to no snow cover, my depression got even worse. Still, the daylilies really put on a show this summer even with the lack of moisture, which helped relieve my depression. Although I did a lot of watering, the scapes remained shorter than normal and the entire season was confused. It was a later-than-normal season and some daylilies bloomed earlier or later than usual and when it was all over, the same two daylilies were the last to bloom. That said, I would like to add that there has been more rebloom this season than I have ever seen. I do not know why rebloom was so prevalent this year but it was really enjoyed.

This is my final year as Regional President and I have enjoyed this position tremendously. I've come to know people better and made new friendships. It is with great pleasure I turn the position over to the new president, Lisa Schmidt from North Dakota. I have every confidence that she will be an excellent president for the region. She is a quick study and has a great ear for listening! This is an awesome region. Keep volunteering!

Message from Sabrina Sumsion, Daylily Pioneer Editor



What a summer!

I've heard from people all over that the weather and the flowers didn't behave as expected. In Nebraska, I had my first blooms in May and a generally bizarre growing season. I'm still harvesting seed pods as I pick my late-ripening vegetables. Even though the weather was weird, I got to meet my second year of seedling blooms. It was so fun to see what the crosses made. Some were great and I can't wait to see what the mature plant looks like. Some were "meh". Not impressive, but not ugly either. Some I'm throwing in the compost. Such is the way of the daylily.

I've spent a lot of time working on my yard to make room for all of the seeds I've been harvesting. I'm buying a house with a bigger yard. Some people think they need more plants for their yard. I need more yard for my plants. I know you all can relate.

It was a surprise and an honor that this newsletter was recognized at nationals. I didn't think I did anything extra with the images, but I guess someone decided it's creative! Congratulations to Scott Keller for his award-winning article. It's easy to make a great newsletter with top-notch submissions. Sadly, this will be my last edition. Life has a way of getting extremely busy unexpectedly. I'm sure whomever replaces me will be fantastic and I will endeavor to assist them with pictures and articles to give back as so many of you have given to me.

Message from Jason Halonen, Region 1 Publicity Director



For many, this summer was great for getting back in the saddle.

For myself, it was especially great making new friends at our regional meeting, 'Back in the Saddle,' in Marshalltown, Iowa. I'm looking forward to seeing many of you again, and meeting others for the first time, at next year's regional meeting in Muscatine, IA.

Hopefully you're as excited for next year's regional as I am! There are a few new and fun ways to stay tuned for details, in addition to our region's website. On Facebook, be sure to like and follow our PAGE, 'AHS Region 1.' Also on Facebook, be sure to join our GROUP, also named 'AHS Region 1.' We'd love for you to join us on both! Like, comment on, and share our posts.

Do you enjoy learning about daylilies, sharing your knowledge, and finding content to share online or with your local club? You'll love a newer educational Facebook group called 'Discovering Daylilies.' The format is slightly different than most groups, focusing on education in an organized and guided manner. Post creation is limited to admins, and admins are

currently myself and Karol Emmerich, but comments and questions are always encouraged.

I hope all of you had an amazing summer and daylily season, and that your fall and winter will continue in the same manner. If you ever have any questions for me, or just want to say hi, find me on Facebook, or email me at Jason.halonen@gmail.com.

Message from Kathy Larson, Region 1 Historian

Attention club officers:

Preserve your club's history! It's tempting to purge old club papers, but you may regret it. As my club's librarian, twice in the last year I retrieved items from our files that seemed unimportant but weren't.

A long-forgotten, twenty-four-year-old business letter in the back pocket of an old binder of club minutes helped us untangle an IRS 501c3 matter. Think that over.

Then an entry in an old Regional Meeting booklet, backed by several years of membership lists, helped a member with an important legal case.

Your secretary or historian can keep printed copies of budgets, newsletters, membership lists. Make up portfolios to store committee and project papers, club tours, regional meetings, special gatherings, and plant sales. The portfolios will help the next volunteers run things. Officers change, key members move away, memories fade. Protect your archives, because you never know...



*'Joy Came Down'
(Emmerich, 2015).
Image credit to
Sabrina Sumsion*



*'A Heart for Jesus'
(Ripley, 2021).
Image credit to
Sabrina Sumsion*



*'Lisa Michelle'
(Stadler, 2016).
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Sabrina Sumsion*

2022 Nationals Awards Recipients



Scott Keller pictured with certificate. Image Credit: Lyle Moen

Scott Keller was recognised at nationals for his excellent article in the Spring 2021 edition of the Daylily Pioneer. The title of that article is “Hybridizing Daylilies Tips & Tricks”. This was an excellent article with helpful pictures and valuable information for anyone interested in hybridizing. It



Dabbing pollen. Image Credit: Scott Keller

was definitely a shining example of brilliant minds working together to better the daylily community as he credits Mary Baker as editor.

If you missed the article, you can find it on the region 1 website in the Spring 2021 Daylily Pioneer. The direct link is <https://www.ahsregion1.org/Pioneer/Daylily%20Pioneer%20Spring%202021%20FINAL%20Large.pdf>



Sabrina Sumsion pictured with certificate. Image Credit: Lyle Moen

Sabrina Sumsion’s award was for most creative use of graphics in a newsletter. The award came as a surprise since the award was given for the first newsletter she had submitted. There are many talented newsletter editors nationwide so the judging must have been a difficult process.

She is honored by the recognition but credits the award to all of the members who submit high-quality articles and photographs. Without the contributions of so many selfless members, the newsletter would be a boring and bleak production!

2022 ADS Region One Service Award Winner Joan Zettel by Mary Baker



*Joan Zettel posing with Don Lovell's future tet intro
Image Credit: Mary Baker*

Joan Zettel of Breckenridge, Minnesota, received the 2022 ADS Region One Service Award during the 2022 ADS National Convention. Congratulations, Joan!

Joan joined ADS on January 1, 2016. She is a first-term Garden Judge, and her term expires in 2023. Joan is also a Master Gardener.

I first heard about Joan from our mutual friend, the late Bryce Farnsworth, who told me he was “reeling her in.” Joan works at the Chahinkapa Zoo in Wahpeton, North Dakota. At that time, Joan was looking for daylilies to plant at the zoo. As part of the enabling process, Bryce lured her to the modern and historic public American Hemerocallis Society (AHS) daylily display gardens at North Dakota State University (NDSU) in Fargo, where Joan’s admiration of daylilies grew into an addiction.

Bryce persuaded Joan to work as a volunteer Master Gardener at NDSU’s daylily gardens, and—Joan’s volunteer work at NDSU is ongoing and annually continues.

Bryce served for many years as ADS Region One’s Historian. He wanted Joan to know all there is to know about daylilies, ADS, and ADS Region One, so he loaned her all of the copies of *The Day-*

lily Journal and regional newsletters from his extensive collection—five at a time—and insisted she read them, which she did from cover to cover during a couple of long Minnesota/North Dakota winters. I continued to hear more about Joan from Bryce. Their relationship, which began as Bryce mentoring Joan, evolved into friendship.

Tragedy struck. Bryce’s health deteriorated, and he suddenly passed away from a massive heart attack. Joan replaced Bryce as liaison for NDSU’s public and private AHS daylily display gardens for a while, but Joan’s service to ADS Region One and to NDSU didn’t stop there.

Kathy Larson from Marshalltown, Iowa became the new ADS Region One Historian. But how would ADS Region One gather and send the extensive collection of materials Bryce had stored for years in his home to AHS Archivist Ken Cobb and Kathy Larson?

The items stored at Bryce’s house were in a state of disarray. Joan worked with Bryce’s roommate to gather them on multiple occasions, driving a two-hour round trip each time to pick up batches of stuff—often during blizzard conditions.

After returning home from each materials-gathering trip, Joan sorted through disorganized piles of items to find the small number of keepers (national items for Ken Cobb and regional materials for Kathy Larson). Bryce’s roommate located things in haphazard stages, so the materials transfer process took a considerable amount of time, concentration, organization skills, and a great deal of patience. Joan made it look smooth and easy, when in fact it was anything but—it was like searching for needles in haystacks.

Joan went way beyond the call of duty to ensure all Bryce’s Historian files went to the right person and place. She spent extensive time driving, poring through materials, sorting them, discarding junk, returning personal items intermingled with the Historian items, boxing up materials for ADS and for ADS Region One, going to the Post Office, talking to Bryce’s roommate and me, and more. Many hours spent over many days and many weeks evolved into several months. Joan stayed cheerful throughout—

Joan Zettel (cont.)

not once did she complain.

As busy as Joan is, she continues her involvement with NDSU and ADS Region One. Joan became ADS Region One's Historic Daylily Display Garden Liaison on January 1, 2020. She often successfully requests daylily donations for NDSU's modern and historic daylily display gardens, and is instrumental in increasing the number of daylilies in NDSU's modern and historic collections.

Joan is working tirelessly to create a new daylily club in the Fargo/Moorhead/Grand Forks area and to recruit future club members (I have personally met some of them). Joan has amassed an impressive personal daylily collection to fulfill her Garden Judge's responsibilities. Joan registered one of the late Bryce Farnsworth's diploid seedlings as *Hemerocallis* 'Fargo Golden Glitter' (2019).

ADS Region One appreciates Joan's service for our region and for NDSU. Her cheerful service, dedication, upbeat attitude, determination, and seemingly endless energy are truly inspirational. Thank you, Joan, for all you do!



Unnamed daylily bouquet at Asher Creek Haven at Regionals 2022
Image Credit: Lyle Moen

Region 1 Daylilies Online

Thanks to the efforts of many people, Region 1 of the American Daylily Society is developing an impressive online presence. Our new publicity director is Jason Halonen and he has developed a Facebook page for us to share information about our region. It's in the beginning stages, but there is a link to regionals there if you need to find it.

The Facebook link is:



<https://www.facebook.com/Region1Daylilies>

Other places you can find Region 1 information is through our website located at:

<http://www.ahsregion1.org/>

The website lists current leadership, upcoming events, the history of our region, bylaws, display gardens and past editions of the Daylily Pioneer. There is also a page dedicated to the display gardens in our region.

2022 Nationals Review -by Kris Henning with images from Lisa Schmidt



*Region 1 group at Nationals.
Image credit Kris Henning*

seedling area. The Region 15 Seedling bed was also located on the seedling side. It was overwhelming to step into the garden with its sea of daylilies and try to determine which was the best way to go. In the end, my own course of action was to just look over each side and pick out one daylily color that popped out at me and head that direction—there was plenty to see along the way. One of the two tour lunches was held in tents at the garden. These two hybridizers contributed many guest plants in the rest of the tour gardens.

The beautiful western North Carolina mountains were the setting for the ADS National Convention this year. It was hosted by the Western North Carolina Daylily Club and headquartered at the impressive Asheville Crowne Plaza Resort. We had four gardens on the tour, one of which was the huge Blue Ridge Daylilies, which we visited both days on tour—and it took both days to get through just most of it! All of the gardens were within about 15-20 minutes of each other, uphill and down dale.

Blue Ridge Daylilies is owned by Robert Selman and Eric Simpson and has over two acres of daylilies and display beds with many artfully-placed specimens of conifers, ornamental grasses, shrubs and other perennials along with fun garden art. There are two components to this garden: one side is primarily a named-cultivar display garden from both the two owners and also other hybridizers, and the other side is primarily the



*Faerhill Tour Garden
Image credit Lisa Schmidt*

The Faerhill Garden was a small in-town garden owned by Joel Cole. This was an intricate garden with many different small 'garden rooms', each with its own design and unusual plantings. Joel bought the property from his grandparents almost 30 years ago and designed the new layout with some of his grandmother's remaining perennials. One of these is a peony over 80 years old. I was so intrigued by a lot of the cool unusual plants.

Sacred Circle Farm is a beautifully sited property owned by John Leonard with a contemporary, energy-efficient home on a hill overlooking meadows and mountains and backed by old oak trees. The landscaping is less than 7 years old and had many different remarkable conifers and plantings. There is a large koi pond with waterfalls near the house and patio with a great view of the mountains. So relaxing to sit there and listen to the water and look at the mountains! The owner also



*Steve Horan and Kyle Billadeau at Blue Ridge Tour Garden
Image credit Lisa Schmidt*

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*Sacred Circle Farm Tour Garden
Image credit Lisa Schmidt*

raises vegetables, some tree fruits and keeps honeybees happy with his native plantings. A feature of this property is a large stone fire circle for the surrounding community to enjoy.

Ok, so talk about impressive—the Trillium Falls property was jaw-dropping. Jim and Judi Efland have created an awe-inspiring garden on a steep hillside in suburban Asheville. In fact, we were told that the city had appraised the site “un-buildable” (and therefore was not taxable), but that didn’t stop the owners. The site used loads of native stone gathered by the family and others from a nearby county, and the driveway took a long time to complete before a house could be started. The road to the garden was so steep,



*Trillium Falls Tour Garden
Image credit Lisa Schmidt*

with hairpin turns and switchbacks up the mountainside, that our bus had to stop and back, stop and back, to get around one of the corners! We had to park on a street above the house and the front door was reached down a hill with rock steps and across a bridge. This bridge overlooked a very large koi pond with a two-story waterfall and big statue—it was gorgeous! There were more rock steps down to the lower-level driveway with a huge stone and concrete wall holding back the hillside, or you could go around the house the other way on a walking trail between ferns and shade perennials. Here, you reached a huge south-facing patio which overlooked a slope down the mountainside and was surrounded by many plantings. There were many thoughtfully placed flower arrangements around the patio and seating area. The arts & crafts house beautifully set off the property. I must confess, this place was my favorite property, though the daylilies at Blue Ridge were the most plentiful.

The optional Thursday Tour at this convention went to the Biltmore Estate and Gardens, which is incredible if you’ve ever been there. If not, it’s definitely worth a visit!



*Biltmore Tour Garden
Image credit Lisa Schmidt*

The rest of the convention was pretty traditional with the auction, two banquets/awards nights, and all the classes and lectures that make it fun. However, this event had something new in the form of a hat contest which anyone could enter. The hat

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*Joan Zettel in her hat receiving her Region 1 Service Award
Image credit Kris Henning*



*Bullington Open Garden
Image credit Lisa Schmidt*



*Flowering Bridge Open Garden
Image credit Lisa Schmidt*

parade and judging was Friday night and the winners announced on Saturday night. Top prize was a \$500 gift certificate to Blue Ridge Daylilies and several sub-category winners got a \$100 gift certificate to Maneki Neko Gardens. There were a lot of entries and many members of Region 1 participated! It was a fun contest!

All in all, the best was to see old friends and make new ones, that's for sure. We had pretty good weather, though warm, and the accommodations were nice. If you've never been to a National Convention, you should try to make it sometime. You sure see a lot of neat stuff, and also learn about a few new plants to add to your collection. 2023 is in Nashville, 2024 is in Oklahoma City, and 2025 is in Seattle. Save up and plan to go!



*Flowering Bridge Open Garden
Image credit Lisa Schmidt*

ADS Region One 2022 Cultivar Awards by Mary Baker

The American Daylily Society

announced the 2022 cultivar award winners during the fall 2022 Board of Directors meeting on October 22, 2022. Two Region One daylilies won awards, one hybridized by Nan Ripley of Walkabout Gardens in Nevada, Iowa and the other hybridized by Karol Emmerich of Springwood Gardens in Jordan, Minnesota.



Karol Emmerich (left) and Nan Ripley (right) Image credit: Don Lovell

Congratulations, Karol and Nan!



'Kingdom Bound' (Karol Emmerich, 2015) Image credit: Karol Emmerich

Honorable Mentions (HMs)

Karol Emmerich's gorgeous KINGDOM BOUND

(2015, tet) won an HM in 2022. KINGDOM BOUND received 16 votes.

For additional pictures and complete description of KINGDOM BOUND, visit http://www.springwoodgardens.com/intros16/kingdom_bound.html.

Nan Ripley's beautiful SUPREME SCREAM (2009, tet) won an HM in 2022. SUPREME SCREAM received 20 votes.



'Supreme Scream' (Nan Ripley, 2009) and Karl Haldorson Image credit: Denise Haldorson

For additional pictures and complete description of SUPREME SCREAM, click see Walkabout Garden's website at <http://www.walkaboutgardens.com/daylilies-2010-09.html>.

Congratulations and kudos from everyone in ADS Region One, Karol and Nan! We are proud of your accomplishments and thank you both for your service to our region.

Nationals 2023



Middle Tennessee Daylily Society hosts the 2023 National Convention.

Dates: June 15-17

Location: Nashville Tennessee

Not all of the details are released. The website will be updated with more information as it's available. The website is:

<https://ahs2023national.com/>

Here's what we know!

Host Hotel:

Sonesta Nashville Airport Hotel
600 Mariott Dr., Nashville, TN
(615-889-9300)

Use this link to reserve your room online

Mention "American Daylily Society – 2023 Convention" to get the special rate. The last day to reserve your room with the special rate is May 20th, 2023.

Room rate: \$164 (2 Queen or 1 King)

Register by January 1, 2023 to be entered in a drawing for 2 FREE nights at Sonesta Nashville Airport Hotel!

One of the best parts about attending daylily

events is seeing all of the gorgeous gardens! So far, they have announced the following hosts for 2023 nationals:

- Kate and Gary Patrick at Eden's Edge Gardens
- Ken and Vicki Louallen at Jubilee Farm Daylilies
- Jack Alexander and Will Coltharp at Leiper's Creek Gardens
- Reagan and Nichole Bull at Bluebird Springs Farm
- Duane and Sue Mcgray

You can find many beautiful pictures of all those gardens online. They even have a YouTube video on the website to get a peek at the luxurious gardens. There is a sign up form on the website if you don't want to mail in your registration.

Keep in mind, everyone who registers for nationals receives a free 2023 registration plant from Daylily World owned by David Kirchoff! Do you have a young person interested in attending? Youth registrations are free thanks to a generous donation by the Wisconsin Daylily Society.

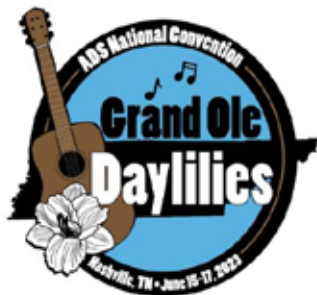
Who to contact if you need more information:

Convention Co-Chairs:

Greg Crane (205) 454-8116

Nicole Bull (931) 334-6270

The nationals committee has made a Facebook message stating that spots are filling up now. Consider registering sooner rather than later!



Final Deadline is May 27, 2023!

(Registration is limited to 500 people!)

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HOTEL INFORMATION

Sonesta Nashville Airport Hotel
600 Marriott Dr, Nashville, TN
(615-889-9300)

Room Rate - \$164 (2 Queen or 1 King Bed)

Rooms available after July 15, 2022 To get block rate, mention, "American Daylily Society-2023 Convention" before 5/22/23.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

USD check or M.O. payable to:

AHS National Convention 2023

Mail To: Kate Patrick, Registrar

322 Osborne Lane, Murfreesboro, TN 37130

Kateskatz70@gmail.com

615-479-9556

(Register online to pay with PayPal)

Cancellations

Received by 4/22/23– full refund; from 4/23/23 to 5/21/23 -50% refund; after 5/22/23-no refund. You may swap your seat if you can't attend. Please notify the Registrar ASAP!

Thursday Dinner Included!!

Companion Dinner(s) at \$50 per meal

Followed by a Live Plant Auction at 7:00pm!

Visit our website for important details on Auction Donations, Vendors, and Volunteers and the latest Convention updates!

2023 ADS National Convention

"Grand Ole Daylilies"

June 15-17, 2023

Nashville, Tennessee

Hosted by the Middle Tennessee Daylily Society

Convention website: www.ahs2023national.com

Registration includes two days of garden bus tours, 2 breakfasts and box lunches, three dinners and a brand new 2023 gift plant!

Registration Form

Print names as you wish them to appear on your name badges. Indicate Youth registrations with a "Y" after name. Put additional names on back.

Name: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Region: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Do you wish to have your contact info on attendee list? () Yes () No

Do you have any special needs (food, accessibility, bus, etc.)? Provide name and details (use back for additional space if needed).

ADS or Regional Officer? Provide name & office: _____

Attending Thursday Dinner (included) () Yes () No

Companion Dinners (Guest's name) \$50 per dinner

Companion(s): _____

Friday Dinner: _____ Beef _____ Chicken

Saturday Dinner: _____ Beef _____ Chicken

Judges Clinics and Workshops. (Do not send fees now)

Exhibition Judge Clinic I _____

Exhibition Judge Clinic II _____

Exhibition Judge Clinic III: _____

Garden Judge Workshop 1: _____

Garden Judge Workshop 2: _____

Optional T-Shirts: 2023 "Grand Ole Daylilies" T-shirts \$20 each (See description on website) Pick up t-shirts at Registration desk.

Quantity: () S, () M, () L, () XL, () 2XL, () 3XL

Number Attending/Totals:

FEES:

_____.Registration Fee @ \$319 postmarked by 4/22/23 \$ _____

_____.Late Registration @ \$354 postmarked 4/23-5/21/23 \$ _____

_____.Youth Registration (AHS members 18 and under) @ Free \$ FREE

_____.Optional Convention T-Shirts @ \$20 each \$ _____

_____.Companion dinner(s) @ \$50 each meal \$ _____

Specify # Thurs _____ # Fri _____ # Sat _____

Total Amount Due: \$ _____

2022 ADS Region 1 Open Gardens -Nan Ripley's Walkabout Gardens



Above: A visitor gets a closer look at a select seedling.



Above right: One of Nan's asiatic lily beds.



Right: Nan teaches visitors about pollen.

Far right: Nan listens to a visitor.

Below: Visitors chat in the shade next to the daylily field.

Lower right: Nan and visitors among her daylilies.

Image Credits: Sabrina Sumsion



The first garden we visited was Nan Ripley's Walkabout Gardens. Nan is a delightful host ready and willing to share her knowledge. She explained that light yellow pollen isn't viable. You're looking for the amber-orange pollen that is granular when you rub it between your fingers. She has a stunning variety of named plants as well as drool-worthy seedling beds.

2022 ADS Region 1 Open Gardens -Karla and Roger Brannaman



Above: Karla Brannaman in front of her garage.
 Above right: Roger and Karla's front yard.
 Right: Part of Roger and Karla's backyard.
 Below: Roger and Karla collect rainwater to assist with irrigating their plants while conserving water.
 Bottom middle: Some of Roger and Karla's daylilies.
 Bottom right: Left to Right -Karla Brannaman, two guests, Roger Brannamn
 Image credit: Sabrina Sumsion



The second garden we stopped at was Karla and Roger Brannaman's. The front yard is a finely manicured yard that gives hints of the beauty in the back. She has a brilliant combination of flowers and shrubs. I learned a lot about plant combinations at her house. She even shared a book of perennials that is a valuable resource I need in my library. There is a lovely mixture of shade and sun that allows the property to feature many different types of plants. All in all, a lovely labor of love in the middle of town.



2022 ADS Region 1 Open Gardens -Don Lovell's Timbercreek Gardens



Our third stop was at Timbercreek Gardens. The broad expanse of land was filled with pockets of gorgeous plants. In the main seedling field, we discovered Jonathan and Susie Poulton. He has a stunning collection of dark daylilies as well as some broken colors. The derecho in 2020 took out many trees, but Don is looking forward to the extra sunlight for his daylilies.



Top: Susie and Jonathan Poulton talking to host Don Lovell
 Middle left: Susie and Jonathan Poulton in Don Lovell's seedling field
 Middle center: a striped seedling in Don's field
 Top right: A clump of dark daylilies
 Bottom left: Don's seedling beds with guests
 Bottom right: One of Don's beds

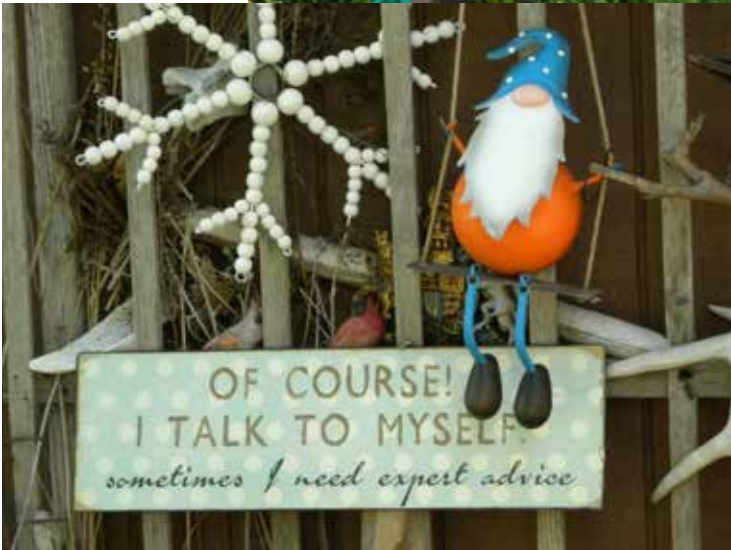
2022 ADS Region 1 Open Gardens -Kramers Flower Farm Wind Chime Gardens



Top left and right: Daylily beds at Kramers Flower Farm Wind Chime Gardens
 Center: Sue Kramer in her garden bed.
 Bottom left: Decoration at Kramers Flower Farm Wind Chime Gardens
 Bottom Right: Rows of daylilies at Kramers Flower Farm Wind Chime Gardens
 All images courtesy of Lisa Schmidt



Jeff and I were able to stop at Sue and Dave Kramer's yard on the way into Iowa coming from the National meeting in North Carolina. It was getting to be very late afternoon on a very hot day when we made it to Kramer's Flower Farm. The front yard was very welcoming with its shade and so many hosta. They told us about all the White Oak trees they had lost from the derecho in 2020. But then we went around back and saw the fields of daylilies. So many beautiful plants she was working on and creating. Many were already flagged. It was a very nice visit with Sue and Dave, we were so glad we were able to stop in.
 -Lisa Schmidt



2022 ADS Region 1 Board & Liaison Meeting

July 15, 2022 @ 4:00 PM, Room 220 (Val Hoefer's room)—Hampton Inn Marshalltown, IA

1. The meeting was called to order by RP Val Hoefer at 3:56 PM.

2. The Financial Report was reviewed from Y/E 2021, which was previously sent out by Treasurer Karol Emmerich (not present) in January 2022. The report stands as presented.

3. The Secretary's Report of the July 5, 2019, Board meeting was previously sent out by Substitute Secretary Val Hoefer. There being no corrections, the report stands as presented.

4. Results of RP election for term of 2023-2024—Kris Henning, Tabulator. Kris reported that she received 9 ballots, and all were for Lisa Schmidt, Bismarck, ND. We may want to put this online on our website and Facebook pages.

a. In other officer-related changes, Nancy Rash has agreed to serve as the Regional Secretary starting in January 2023; Kris Henning has submitted her resignation to the Board as of that date. Kris has agreed to stay on as a signer on the checking account with Treasurer Karol Emmerich in case of emergency and is in fairly close proximity to Karol. Jason Halonen has agreed to be the RVP—Steve Horan has indicated that he does not want to continue in this position since he is the Director now. Outgoing officers will transfer all materials for their positions to the new officers before the end of the year.

5. Regional meeting schedule—Val Hoefer. Val announced our schedule was confirmed as follows: 2023—Cedar Rapids, IA; 2024—Minneapolis, MN; 2025—Bismarck, ND; 2026—Nebraska.

6. Nominating Committee—Val Hoefer. Val reported this is a bypass year with no nominations to do. The current committee consists of Kris Henning, Chair; Vicky Aughenbaugh and Donna Steele.

7. Newsletter Editor position and duties—Sabrina Sumison. Sabrina led a discussion on the possible splitting of the position/duties/salary between herself and Lorraine Manz. The job requires more time than Sabrina feels she can do alone. The problem is that Lorraine can't edit the

software that Sabrina uses—Adobe Suite—and they are trying to work out the bugs. Jason asked if there is a compatible free version that Lorraine could get. For now, all submissions should be sent to Sabrina first, she will then send to Lorraine to edit, then Lorraine will send back to Sabrina in a Dropbox folder. For the salary, each one will keep track of their hours and divvy up the salary at the end of this year. This will be re-evaluated next year.

8. Regional Officer's Meeting at 2022 Convention—Val Hoefer. Val reported that discussions at this meeting indicated that ADS is pushing for an all-digital 'Daylily Journal' in the future.

9. Other business: Jason will put photos online for us as needed.

Meeting adjourned at 4:29 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kris Henning, Region 1 Secretary

Attendance: Val Hoefer, RP; Jason Halonen, RVP; Kris Henning, Secretary; Sabrina Sumison, Editor; Lisa Schmidt, RP-Elect.



President elect, Lisa Schmidt, President Val Hoefer, and Secretary Kris Henning working hard at the business meeting. Image credit to Sabrina Sumison

2022 ADS Region 1 Friday Night Gathering and Auction



Every good event requires a lot of dedicated volunteers. I'm so grateful for everyone who stepped in and made the event a wonderful time for everyone. There was much camaraderie as even goers were able to catch up with friends who live far away. The auction was fantastic with a broad variety of flowers to choose from and many exciting bidding wars.



"A HEART FOR JESUS" (H. Ripley 2021) 09N024 3rd. Early to Mid, rebloomer, 35" tall, 6" flower. 3-4 way branching, 17-20 buds, fragrant, semi-evergreen, brilliant, clear, saturated rose red, prominent watermark, white ruffled edge and a green throat. This is one of the best reds I have ever seen and is the most used during the past two years in my garden. Easy pod & pollen fertile; highly recommended for hybridizing. (Walking in the Light with Jesus & Moonlight Sail)
DONATED BY NAN RIPLEY



Top left: Volunteers at the registration table. (Image credit to Lyle Moen.)
 Top right: Nancy Rash, Bill Lidinsky, and Sherry Moffit chatting before the festivities. (Image credit to Lyle Moen.)
 Middle left: right: Attendees chatting before dinner. (Image credit to Sabrina Sumsion.)
 Middle right: Mike Grossman as auctioneer. (Image credit to Lyle Moen.)
 Bottom left: One of the auction plants on screen. (Image credit to Lyle Moen.)
 Bottom right: Volunteers helping the auction go smoothly. (Image credit to Lyle Moen.)

2022 ADS Region 1 Garden Tours - Ed Steins and Teresa Voukon's Asher Creek Haven



Top left: Ed Seims placing his new dinosaur.
 Top right: Barry Stoll by the raised beds.
 Center: Teresa Voukon chatting with Jasmine Sumsion.
 Bottom left: visitors enjoying the Asher Creek Gardens
 Bottom Right: William Lidinski inspecting the raised beds



The second day, our first garden was at Asher Creek Haven. We were greeted by Ed pulling out his new dinosaur and adding it to his water feature in front of the house. It was a garden of discovery with each turn inviting a new surprise. My favorite part was seeing how the raised beds were constructed. I came home with many ideas for making my property more pleasing to the eye.

2022 ADS Region 1 Garden Tours - Husak Gardens EE | EE | O



Top left: Group photo with one of the busses at the Husak Farm. (Image credit to Lyle Moen.)

Top right: Large flower bed at Husak Gardens. (Image credit to Lyle Moen.)

Middle left: A decorative birdbath. (Image credit to Sabrina Sumsion.)

Middle Right: Deb Husak next to a decorative boulder. (Image credit to Sabrina Sumsion.)

Bottom left: Souvenir peacock feathers for all the guests. (Image credit to Sabrina Sumsion.)

Bottom right: Two geese noisily strutting past a tractor. (Image credit to Sabrina Sumsion.)



Husak Gardens is a lovely property teeming with life, color and sound. In addition to gorgeous plants, Husak gardens is a functioning farm stocked with animals and tractors. Some of the animals wandered the property freely eliciting a warning to watch one's step. Our time felt very brief at the farm. I wanted several more hours to see all of the gorgeous sights.



2022 ADS Region 1 Garden Tours - Ginny Geetings Home



Top left: Ginny Geetings welcoming guests off the bus.
Top right: Hillside with a burst of colors.
Bottom Right: Purple cone flowers mixed with daylilies
Bottom: Prayer garden.
Image credit: Sabrina Sumsion



Ginny Geetings welcomed us with snacks and beverages and a large property full of themed gardens. She created a sanctuary for her to get away and commune with the Lord as well as an area where she welcomed her grandchildren into the garden. She has an excellent eye for combining flowers and colors. Currently, she is a collector. She did make the comment that she isn't a hybridizer yet. -Emphasis on the word "yet".

2022 ADS Region 1 Garden Tours - Wilson Gardens



Top left: Daylilies in front of the Wilson home. (Image credit to Lyle Moen.)

Top right: Flower bed near the Wilson home. (Image credit to Lyle Moen.)

Middle left: Bob Wilson welcoming guests to his garden. (Image credit to Sabrina Sumsion.)

Bottom left: One of the many daylily beds. (Image credit to Sabrina Sumsion.)

Bottom right: Garden shed surrounded by flowers. (Image credit to Lyle Moen.)



The Wilson Gardens started at brothers Bob and Randy's childhood home. Thirty years ago, a few perennials began the journey to daylilies and hybridizing. Even though the many beds are planned out more for convenience of hybridizing than garden design, they are aesthetically pleasing to the eye. I learned that the daylily can shine even when growing in the shade!

2022 ADS Region 1 Business Meeting

July 16, 2022 @ 7:00 PM, Midnight Ballroom,
Marshalltown, IA

1. The meeting was called to order by RP Val Hoefer at 7:00 PM.
2. Val introduced the Regional Officers & Liasons and welcomed the more than 80 members present.
3. Secretary's Report. The Secretary's minutes from the 2019 Business meeting were published in the fall 2019 Pioneer. There being no corrections, the minutes stand approved as published. There were no Business meetings in 2020 nor 2021 due to the Covid-19 pandemic.
4. Treasurer's Report. The Treasurer's statement from F/Y 2021 with estimated 2022 budget was published in the spring 2022 Pioneer. There being no corrections, the statement stands as published. SEC'Y. NOTE: The statement with budget was approved by the Board after the meeting on 8/8/22.
5. Dakota Prairie Daylily Society presentation—Donna Steele. Donna announced that their Society was discontinuing as an "official" club and is donating their Treasury of \$5,849.69 to Region 1. She will mail the check to our Treasurer Karol Emmerich. The club received a rousing round of applause.
6. Regional Awards:
 - a. 2022 Region 1 Service Award was given to Joan Zettel for her herculean efforts in sorting, shipping and transporting the late Reg. 1 Historian Bryan Farnsworth's numerous archived items to the ADS Historian Ken Cobb and the new Reg. 1 Historian Kathy Larson. This medal was given to her at the 2022 National Convention.
 - b. 2022 Regional Newsletter Award for Best Article about Hybridizers or Hybridizing was won by Scott Keller for his article, "Hybridizing Daylilies: Tips and Tricks"; Val gave him the certificate at this time.
 - c. 2022 Regional Newsletter Award for Best Use of Pictures and Graphics was won by Pioneer Editor Sabrina Sumison. Val gave her the certificate at this time.
7. Garden Judges Liaison report—Phil Fass.

Phil reported that Garden Judges Workshop 2 will be held tomorrow in his garden.

8. Popularity Poll/RPD position—Steve Horan, outgoing RPD & Jason Halonen, incoming RPD. The official AHS Popularity Poll has been discontinued as of the end of 2021, eliminating part of the Regional Publicity Director (RPD) job. It will now be focused on the publicity part, with a growing Social Media presence encouraged by Jason. He encouraged us to "like" the Region 1 Facebook group and will also be happy to post club and regional news for us.
9. Reg. 1 Historical Display Garden at North Dakota State University (NDSU)—Joan Zettel. There is a regional hybridizer's bed at NDSU. The 2025 Regional meeting will be held in Fargo, and they would like some newer cultivars; look on the website for a listing of cultivars. Joan will transport your donations to it if you wish as they need them soon to look good for the Regional.
10. VEEP Scroll presentation—Val Hoefer. The 2022 VEEP Scroll award was given to Kris Henning. It has not been presented for the last two years due to the Covid-19 pandemic.
11. Report of 2022 RP Election—Kris Henning, Chair/Tabulator. Kris reported that all of the ballots received were for Lisa Schmidt, Bismarck, ND. Lisa will serve the 2023-2024 President term. Vicky Aughenbaugh and Donna Steele were also on the Nominating Committee for 2021-2022.
12. Any Other Business:
 - a. Steve Horan, Region 1 Director and AHS Garden Judges Records Chair, reported that a new class has been rolled out this year. Garden Judges Workshop 3 will be for renewing judges and can be done online. For now, judges can take either GJW 2 or GJW 3 to renew.
13. The meeting was adjourned at 7:16 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kris Henning, Region 1 Secretary

2022 ADS Region 1 -Saturday Night Gathering



*Val Hoefler, Region 1 President
Image credit Lyle Moen.*



*Kris Henning, Region 1 Secretary
Image credit Lyle Moen.*



*VEEP award given to Kris Henning by Val Hoefler.
Image credit Lyle Moen.*



*Donna Steele, Dakota Prairie Club
President
Image credit Lyle Moen.*



*Joan Zettel recipient of Region 1
Service award and representative from
Reg. 1 Historical Display Garden at
North Dakota State University
Image credit Lyle Moen.*



*Margo Reed (left) and Jim Murphy (right) presented on Saturday.
Image credit Lyle Moen.*



*Steve Horan, Region 1 Director
Image credit Lyle Moen.*



*Jason Halonen, Regional Publicity
Director
Image credit Lyle Moen.*



*'Walter's Elf' (Reed, 2019) from Margo
Reed's presentation
Image credit Lyle Moen.*



*Lisa Schmidt, 2023 Region 1 President
Image credit Lyle Moen.*



*Phil Fass, Garden Judge Liaison
Image credit Lyle Moen.*



Socializing before Saturday evening festivities begin.
Image credit to Sabrina Sumsion



Socializing before Saturday night festivities begin.
Image credit to Sabrina Sumsion



Don Geetings and Jim Murphy chat.
Image credit to Sabrina Sumsion



L-R Back: Sabrina Sumsion, Bob Langabee, Karla Kluver, Peggy Hanner, Rita Khank, Lyle Khank, Rich Baker, Scott Keller
L-R Front: Micah Lewis, Janet Haag, Phyllis McIntosh, Val Hoefer, Sue Becker, Dave Becker.
Image credit to Jasmine Sumsion

2022 ADS Region 1 Garden Judge Training with Phil Fass



Phil and Peggy Fass in their garden. Image credit to Lyle Moen.



Garden Judges at the Fass home. Image credit to Lyle Moen.

Sunday, garden judges gathered at Phil Fass's home for training. While I wasn't able to attend due to scheduling conflicts, all attendees I heard from agree that it was an enlightening and informative event. I hope to be able to attend one day.

2023 Regionals

Cedar Valley Iris and Daylily Society

hosts

Daylilies: The Pearls of Region One

American Daylily Society Summer Meeting

In

Muscatine, Iowa

(Pearl City)

July 14-16, 2023

Featured Speakers:

Mike Grossmann
Kathleen Nordstrom
(Northern Lights Daylilies)

Host Hotel: The Merrill Hotel

119 West Mississippi Drive
Muscatine, IA 52761
(563) 263-2600
(Book your group rate for Cedar Valley Iris &
Daylily Society)

Featured Tour Gardens

Heather & Jim Harroun
(ADS Display Garden)
Illinois City, IL
Darrin & Shelly Lett
West Branch, IA
Keith and Sally Riewerts
Long Grove, IA

Region One Auctioneers

Mike Grossman
Darrin Lett, CVIDS President

CVIDS Silent Auction

Wonderful Garden gifts

Co-Chairs

Nancy Carlisle njcarlisle56@gmail.com
Keith Riewerts rkrkrkr@netins.net

Registration Fee:

\$150.00

Registrar:

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Overlooking the Mighty Mississippi River
More "Pearls" to see in 2023!

- Photos
- Garden Bios
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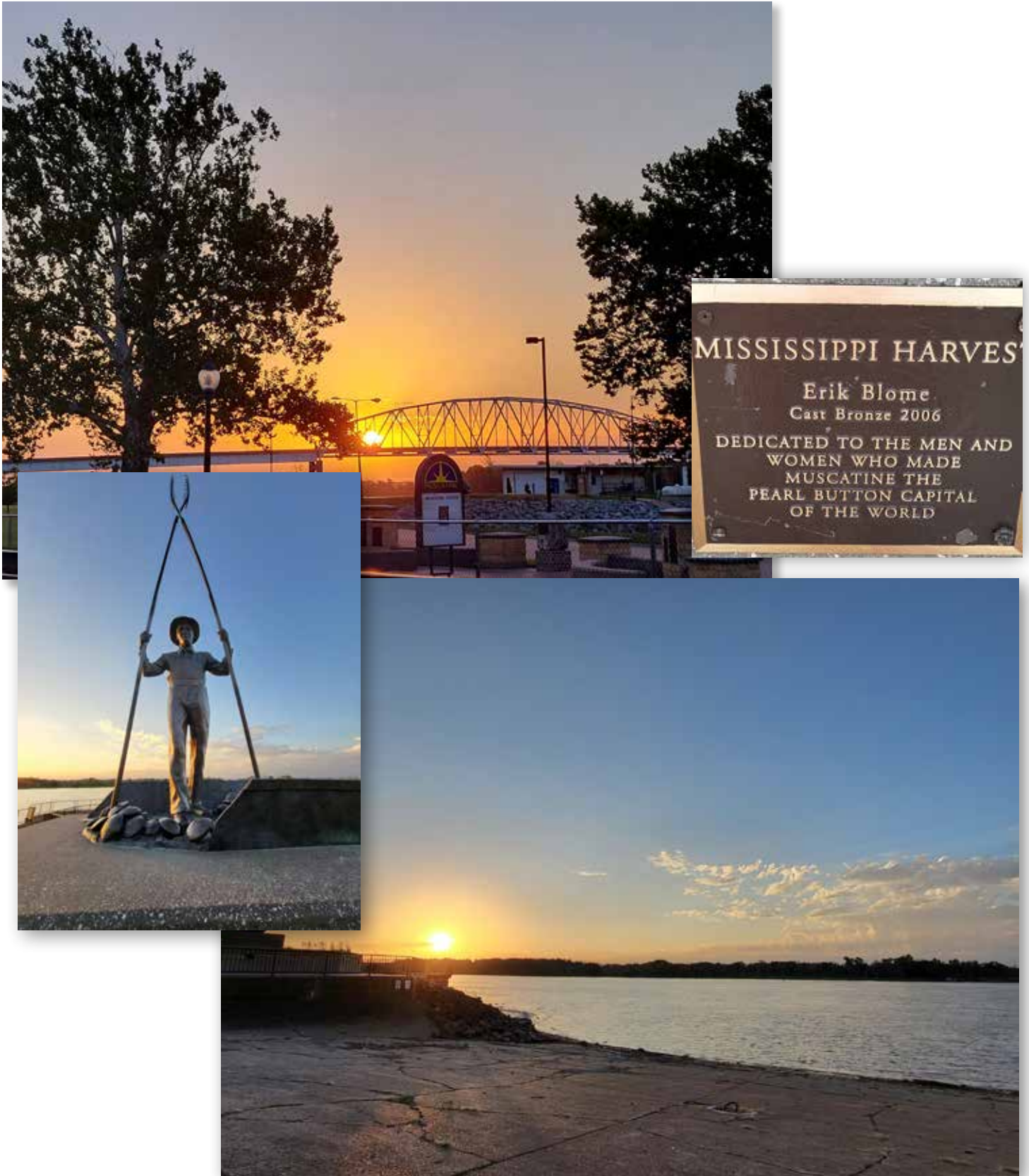


More Information

CVIDS Website: www.cvids.org
Region One Website: www.ahsregion1.org

2023 Regionals (cont.)

Local Points of Interest



Article: Daylily Inventory by Nancy Rash, Past President of CVIDS

How many daylilies do you grow?

Who is your favorite hybridizer?
How long have you been growing this daylily?
What is the oldest daylily growing in your garden?
Where did you locate your last club plant?
So many questions and what are the answers to the questions?

Finally, in August of 2022, I decided a daylily inventory was needed. I did not know how many daylilies I was growing and I like labeling them so why not keep track? Then, the question was, what should be recorded in the inventory? I knew I would like to know the name of the daylily and the hybridizer. It's easy to find information about each daylily from the American Daylily Society Database. There is actually information that I don't use so I was selective about what I recorded. I wanted to know when I planted a daylily and where I planted the daylily. When I started to add more daylilies to my flower beds, I was careful about where I placed each plant and also tried to "pair" a new daylily to a complimentary color and size. Eventually, it was just "good" to find an open space, dig a hole and carefully plant the new acquisition.

I started with a handwritten chart that listed the new daylilies I received from attending the American Daylily Society Annual Conference in Asheville, NC. Then I added the daylilies I ordered along the way home after attending the conference. Now I had a list that required some thought and planning to place them in a sunny location that would show them off for all to see. Color and bloom season were going to be factors to consider before planting and then the last column was the location of the plant. I have flower beds on three sides of the backyard, next to the house and also in a flower bed in the front yard. Color was important to me in the front of the house but in the back beds, it has always worked out great to use height as more of a consideration than thinking about the color combinations. Somehow the colors do seem to work out. If I don't like the color combination, the plant can easily be moved in the next season. More of a consideration was the other perennials that would be blooming during and after the daylily bloom season.

After the data was entered into an Excel spreadsheet, I was able to sort and view different kinds of lists. I can see how many daylilies are growing from one hybridizer. The list can be sorted by bed location and I

know the number of daylilies in one location. If I need to know the height of daylilies, I can create that sort as well. There are many options. One benefit is to help prioritize the daylilies I want to keep. I have limited time and limited space so the Excel spreadsheet can be a tool to view some options.

After I completed the inventory, I could see that there were some patterns in the plants I have but also, I found it interesting to see the year of introduction and also it was fun to see how many different hybridizers were represented in my garden.

There isn't a right or wrong way to make a daylily inventory. The list needs to contain the data you consider is important and then making time to maintain accurate records.

What is next? I have a list of iris and true lilies started so that will be the next project.



Nan Ripley Seedling. Image Credit: Sabrina Sumsion

Gardener / gar-de-ner /noun

A person who tries to keep plants alive in and around their homes. Gardeners are divided into the following categories based on their level of expertise:

Novice gardener: Someone who hasn't gardened long enough to kill one hundred plants.

Experienced gardener: Someone who has gardened long enough to kill one thousand plants.

Master Gardener: Someone who's qualified to tell others how to kill ten thousand plants.

Central North Dakota Daylily Society (CNDDS) Gwen Brady, President

Well, another summer has almost passed us by.

Once again, I'm wondering what happened to it. Covid has still played a part in activities everywhere but we finally managed to get together.

Spring started with a nice snowstorm in the middle of April, which provided some much-needed moisture but also put things back a couple of weeks here. It was followed in early May with good rain and then, for the second year in a row, summer came with little moisture and a lot of watering was needed to keep things alive.

When we were tired of complaining about the weather, and in spite of the snow, we did meet in April. Tim Chapman, CEO of International Peace Gardens was our speaker. We have beautiful gardens all over the world and sometimes we forget what is in our own state. He spoke about the new conservatory building that they are working on as well as the new gardens they have planned. The IPG is a combined effort of the United States and Canada and is celebrating its 90th year in 2022. Our club helped sponsor a garden there this year.

In June, we had our annual membership auction of daylilies. Many members donated daylilies for the auction, and we also sold a collection of plants that we purchased from our speaker last year. Many thanks to our volunteers that made this happen.

In July, we had our annual garden tour and blossom blast. We had two lovely gardens to tour and many daylily blossoms to look at. Although the blast was held at the end of July, we were still a little worried that we wouldn't have anything to look at as far as daylilies because the spring weather had delayed flowering by almost three weeks, but everything worked out.



*Jan Maddock (left) and Donna Bloom (right)
Image Credit: Lisa Schmidt*



Entries in the Blossom Blast. Image Credit: Lisa Schmidt

On November 5th, Region One Director Steve Horan will speak at our club meeting and breakfast brunch. We have asked him to speak on incorporating different types of grasses and companion plants in the daylily beds.

Happy fall to everyone from Central North Dakota Daylily Club, Region 1!

Beausejour Daylily Gardens Update by Mary Veldman

Beausejour Daylily Gardens

has had a wild and crazy ride in 2022. We started spring with lots of drifted snow. Our leftover potted daylilies from the previous fall were still buried, frozen in the flower beds unable to dig them up, and with snow covering the gardens, we decided to cancel our Spring plant sale. This has never happened ever before. We found out that



Sean Michaels, volunteer at Beausejour Gardens in April 2022. Image Credit: Mary Veldman

2022 would be the first for many things. The photo above was taken April 25th, 2022.

After the snow finally melted, the next month or two was rain, rain, and more rain. We found out that we had a low-lying area problem. A few of our flower beds were surrounded with water. Grass died, and plants yellowed. We are working on this problem. We now know how to resolve this issue and fingers crossed this problem will be resolved before the year end. Spring continued to be cold and wet. We noticed a huge decline in pollinating insects. Cherry trees had no flowers in which to set fruit. First time in 20 years we had no cherry fruit for sale.

We celebrated 20 years at the daylily gardens! 2002 was the year in which a handful of gardeners approached the town council and suggested that a daylily display garden happen at the corner of 44th and 1st Street North. The property was initially purchased for a rest area for visitors. The idea of a display for daylilies was accepted by the town council. Fred Kazina was the mayor at the time. The group of ladies were later known as the Friends of the Beausejour Daylily Gardens. Twenty years later it is a remarkable garden that is a display garden not only for daylilies, but also for irises, peonies, lilies. We also have a very impressive collection of ornamental and fruit trees and shrubs.

We have 50 volunteers who maintain a section of the gardens to keep it orderly. We also have paid staff. We have been successful over the last few years to receive



Head gardener and student workers. Image Credit: Mary Veldman

grant money from the Province of Manitoba through the Green Team organization. We hire students between the ages of 15-29. We have 3 fulltime and 1 part-time student. The town of Beausejour helps us out financially so we can hire a head gardener to supervise the students. The students and head gardener take care of all the grunt work that the volunteers would not have to do.

Lydia Ewasko, Carol Bender and Elanor Weed-



Lydia Ewasko, Carol Bender and Elanor Weedmark.

Image Credit: Mary Veldman

Beausejour Daylily Gardens Update (cont.)

mark were 3 of the original gardeners who started the Beausejour Daylily Gardens.

Three of the original garden angel volunteers drove to Belmont Manitoba several times, as well as Riding Mountain National Park to obtain hundreds of donated daylilies, irises, lilies, and peonies. Patrick Healey donated many plants to the gardens. His donations were the foundation for our lovely gardens. In 2005 the Daylily Gardens received recognition and had earned the title of an AHS and CHS display garden.

With all the rain and standing water we confused a momma duck to think that the daylily gardens were a perfect place to nest and lay 10 eggs. We left her be but unfortunately, we noticed one day she and the eggs were gone. We are not sure what happened. We can only wish and hope that they are all right.



Duck eggs. Image Credit: Mary Veldman

One good thing out of this crazy spring/summer was all the rain did some good. The daylilies, lilies, irises, peonies were spectacular. Everything was late of course. It is August 9th as I write this and our daylilies are still looking spectacular. The lilies are close to finishing, but the daylilies continue to impress. We planted a spring order of daylilies from Paul Owen, and recently I placed an order with an Ontario daylily company called Garden Guru for some unusual form daylilies. Hopefully we will get them in the next week or two.

Another first. We had a visitor who had never been at the gardens before. Ms. Moose came by one day to entertain us all.



Ms. Moose at Beausejour Daylily Gardens . Image Credit: Mary Veldman

We received a grant from the Broken Head River Recreation of \$1000. With that money we built on to our existing

garden shed for much-needed space for pots and other items. Our volunteer angel Russ Kubera built it for us.



Shed built by volunteer Russ Kubera . Image Credit: Mary Veldman

We had the pleasure of having a group of kids and their parents from the Beausejour Scouts help us with spring cleanup. They bagged over 60 bags of leaves.



Beausejour Scouts helping with clean up . Image Credit: Mary Veldman

All in all, 2022 was not all bad. In fact, it has been fantastic.



Mantis on daylily . Image Credit: Sabrina Sumsion

Nebraska Daylily Society 2021 Update by Linda Ferguson

The Nebraska Daylily Society

held all four meetings this year. The February meeting found many members in masks still because of COVID. We held a business meeting in Scribner hosted by Mark and Betsy Langemeier and Val Hoefer. This was followed by a presentation of our member hybridizers.

Our May meeting was held in Sloan at the Community Hall hosted by Peggy Hanner and Karla Kluver. A lovely breakfast was offered from Peggy's restaurant as we held our business meeting. A plant auction of Sandy Holmes daylilies and donated plants followed the social hour.

In July we headed to the Lincoln area. July hosts were Mark and Jenny Cich, Robin Lowe, and Scott Keller. Many plants were brought to the meeting location for the flower show and then we headed out to tour two of the gardens. Robin Lowe's garden was first. She is in a beautiful rural location and has extensive property on which she grows her daylilies. Next, we headed back to Lincoln to tour the garden of Scott Keller. Scott is a smaller town property but it was packed with beauty.

We returned to the meeting location and held our meeting. The flower show had concluded and the winners in each of the seven main categories were announced. Bob Langabee won the small and miniature categories. Linda Ferguson won the doubles category. Doug Bremers won the miniature category. Scott Keller won the extra large, large, UFO and seedling categories. He took home the traveling trophy for most first places.

After the meeting many members headed to the garden of Mark and Jenny Cich in rural Greenwood. They have a lovely, large rural property with many daylilies surrounding the entire yard area. There were many plants to enjoy there.

Our August meeting was held in Omaha. August hosts were Annette Langan, Lyle and Rita Kahnk and Phyllis McIntosh. Chad Bush from Colorful Chaos Daylilies was our speaker. Chad lives on a rural property in central Michigan. He grows many plants in addition to his daylilies. He brought along a nice selection of plants for our August auction. We had

retiring Region 1 president, Val Hoefer and incoming Region 1 President Lisa Schmidt and her husband Jeff in attendance. We also had plants hybridized by Dave Hansen and grown by the Keasts offered at the auction. This part of the auction went very well. This will be the last time many of Dave's plants were offered as he has retired from hybridizing and has gone to a retirement community.

We held our May plant sale at Lauritzen gardens. This sale helps to fund our scholarship for a Nebraska horticultural student. We will also be holding a sale at the University of Nebraska extension office in Omaha to help fund the scholarship in late September. This is the first year we've had two sales and it is an experiment to see if fall sales do as well as spring sales.

Happy Gardening!



Butterfly on Purple Cone Flower at Asher Creek Haven. Image Credit: Lyle Moen

Daylily Society of Minnesota 2021 Update by Dory Lidinsky

The DSM was back in full form this year

starting with a super-busy Dig and Sale June 3-5th. A great group of volunteers including some newer members assisted in digging up daylily plants at the former home of Kris Henning on Friday, June 3rd followed by a full day of washing, dividing, and labeling of all donated plants at the home of Dave Beckman and Linda Horsman on Saturday, June 4th. We had volunteers from as far away as Faribault, MN, Fargo and Bismarck, ND. With hundreds of daylily fans fully prepared and labeled we had a well-attended sale at Bachman's Nursery in Minneapolis on



*Volunteers washing, dividing, and labeling donated plants.
Image Credit: Lisa Schmidt*



*Entries in the Blossom Blast
Image Credit: Lisa Schmidt*

introduce them to the daylily society and the many activities that we sponsor.

Our last event of the summer was our banquet and auction held on a Sunday in August. Besides visiting with each other, we had the opportunity to add daylilies to our collections through bidding at the live auction and acquiring other fun items through the silent auction.

All in all, this daylily season produced some outstanding blooms, brought new and veteran club members together, and has left us energized for next year.

Sunday, June 5th, grossing over \$3,000 and adding 15 new members.

On July 24th and for the first time since 2019, we held our annual garden tour visiting 3 gardens in comfort on an air-conditioned bus. It threatened rain all day and did rain while we ate our lunch, with a beautiful break in the clouds as we finished the tour at the third garden, Deer Haven Garden managed by Bill and Dory Lidinsky.

The very next day our Off Scape Show was held at the Minnesota Arboretum with tables full of daylily blooms. Close to 80 individuals passed through to look at and vote on their favorite daylily cultivar and daylily seedling. The off-scape show is a wonderful opportunity to educate people about daylilies and

Daylilies for Dinner by Kathleen Wiese, Science and Education Liason

I've invited a daylily blossom or two

to grace my table, but I haven't given much thought to including them as part of my menu. That's a shame, really, as all parts of the plant are both edible and nutritious.

Daylilies are good sources of plant protein, vitamin C, and vitamin A, and actually are better than vegetables like green beans and asparagus in providing these nutrients. They are low calorie, with just 42 calories per 100 grams. And minimal fat – saturated or otherwise!

Daylilies also have thousands of years of medicinal history. Back in the day, daylily decoctions were used as an antidote to arsenic and other poisonings, and to otherwise purify the blood. Daylily flower extracts are still used in China today as painkillers for women during childbirth. Daylilies have diuretic properties and were used in the treatment of “dropsy” or congestive heart failure, and their antimicrobial properties were useful in treating colds and pneumonias. Today, some people use daylily tea to help reduce the severity of cold symptoms (simply steep fresh blooms in boiling water for 12 to 24 hours; strain; add sugar and lemon if desired, and enjoy). Daylilies can help reduce fevers and cure mild constipation, all with no long-lasting side effects – who can beat a good all around medicine like that?

Like all good medicines, there can be some unintended effects. Eating too many raw daylily shoots can have hallucinogenic effects. Most of us don't tend to find hallucinations helpful, so using moderation with a bit of precaution is necessary. Before using the shoots, place the leaves in boiling water, remove them after 45 seconds, and then plunge them into ice water. Then eat away. In reality, you would probably need to eat several pounds of raw leaves to experience any hallucinations, and the rumbling tummy and need to evacuate some of those daylily shoots caused by their laxative properties would likely take you away from the garden long before you get that many down, but better to be safe than sorry.

Shoots should be harvested in early spring

when they first emerge and before they reach 6 inches tall. Cut them just above the soil level, similar to harvesting asparagus. They can be blanched and eaten that way with a little bit of seasoning or butter, or they can be chopped and used in stir fries, or sautéed in olive oil or butter. The flavor of the shoots is described by some as a mild onion-y flavor, much like leeks. Others describe the flavor as similar to a young asparagus shoot. There isn't much similarity between those two tastes, so we'll just have to taste and decide for ourselves.

Tubers are collected in early spring, when daylily shoots are just emerging, or in early to late fall. The key is to harvest either before they begin to push up flower stalks or after blooming when the tubers have had time to once again plump up. If collected during bloom time, the tubers will be mushy and not very flavorful.

To harvest tubers, simply dig up the clump, cut off as many tubers as you want making sure to leave some for the plant to regenerate itself, then replant what remains. Tubers need to be washed before use (of course they do – we just dug them out of the dirt, didn't we?), but they don't need to be peeled. Then they can be prepared just like potatoes, but true lovers of daylily tubers claim they taste even better.

Flower buds and flowers have longer harvest times than shoots and tubers, so edible daylilies can be enjoyed from spring through fall. Buds should be harvested while fully closed, green, and firm to the touch. They can be eaten raw, sautéed in garlic and butter, or made into a deep-fried fritter. The taste is described as a combination of asparagus and peas and the consensus seems to be that they are better cooked than raw.

Flowers are best harvested when just freshly opened (ah, the solution to all the live-heading guilt!). They have a fresh crisp flavor, similar to a nice, sweet iceberg lettuce leaf. They can be eaten right in the garden (I've been known to grab one and have a snack while pulling weeds) or used in salads and as garnishes. I find that different daylily blossoms have different flavors – some are a bit peppery and others are more on the sweet side.

Daylilies for Dinner (cont.)

The pollen and stamens should be removed before eating. Daylily blossoms can also be dried and then used in soups.

A word of caution is required. Daylilies contain an alkaloid called colchicine which even in small amounts can cause gastric upset in some people – similar to that trip out of the garden from eating too many raw shoots. Colchicine is used in daylily breeding to induce polyploidy, so this may be more likely to occur from eating hybrids than from *Hemerocallis fulva*, the good old-fashioned “ditch lily”. Some foragers insist that consumption of daylilies should be limited to the ditch lilies for this reason, but all are edible. If you are new to daylily eating, start slowly. Don't binge on daylily parts, no matter how tasty they might be.

Another word of caution relates to the use of chemicals in gardens. If you use trifluralin (Preen) for weed prevention, be aware that it is a suspected carcinogen and is not recommended around edible plants.

There is much to appreciate in the dynamic and versatile daylily. As we enjoy their beauty in the garden, we can think about their medicinal properties and plan the menu for our next dinner party.

Daylily Fritters

1 egg
1 c. milk
1 c. flour
½ tsp. salt
1/8 tsp. pepper
2 c. cooking oil
3 dozen fresh daylily buds

Mix egg, milk, flour, salt, and pepper in a medium bowl to make a thick batter. Heat oil in a saucepan to about 375 degrees. Dip each bud in batter, drop into oil, and fry to a golden brown. Drain on a paper towel. Sprinkle with salt for a savory appetizer or vegetable dish or dip in powdered sugar, jam, or sour cream for a dessert dish.

Daylily Blossoms

Pick as many blossoms as needed early in the day.

Remove stamens and pollen. Refrigerate until just before serving.

Blossoms # 1: serve whole with your favorite pesto sauce

Blossoms #2: Arrange petals on a platter with various sauces and dips

Blossoms #3: serve whole with a dollop of mascarpone cheese in the blossom

Japanese Style Daylily Shoots (Gomae)

3 T. sesame seeds

1 T. soy sauce

1 T. sesame oil

1 T. real maple syrup

4 oz. fresh daylily shoots

Blanch daylily shoots in boiling water for 45 seconds, drain and plunge into cold water. Once thoroughly chilled, spread out on a towel to dry. Toast the sesame seeds then grind to a paste. Stir in soy sauce, oil, and syrup. Add dressing to daylily shoots just before serving. Serve cold as an appetizer,

Daylily Tuber Cake

2 c. shredded daylily tubers

¼ c. lemon juice

2 c. flour

½ tsp. salt

½ tsp. baking powder

1 tsp. baking soda

1 tsp. ground cinnamon

2 eggs

½ c. plus 2 T. oil

½ c. maple syrup

¼ c. honey

Icing:

1 c. powdered sugar

1 T. milk or water

½ tsp. vanilla

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease and lightly flour

Daylilies for Dinner (cont.)

a bundt pan. Toss the shredded tubers and lemon juice together. Set aside. Stir together the flour, salt, baking powder, baking soda, and cinnamon in a mixer bowl. In a small bowl, whisk together the eggs, oil, maple syrup, and honey. Stir wet ingredients into dry ingredients with the mixer on low speed. Scrape down the sides and continue mixing on medium speed for 30 seconds. Fold in the shredded tubers. Pour batter into prepared pan and bake 30 to 35 minutes, until golden and firm. Cool for 10 minutes; loosen edges of cake gently and invert the bundt pan onto a serving plate. Allow the cake to cool completely.

Whisk the milk or water and vanilla into the powdered sugar. Drizzle over the cake and serve.

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Editor's Challenge

Get your club or a group of friends together and try some recipes. Take notes about your thoughts on the different parts of the daylily. Make sure to take pictures and send feedback to: regioneditor@gmail.com!



*Pinewood Lily Pad (Korth-P-Korth-L., 2014) at Ginney Geetings' garden.
Image Credit: Lyle Moen*



*Visitors at Ginney Geetings' garden at regionals 2022.
Image Credit: Lyle Moen*

NDSU Historic Modern Daylily Display Gardens by Joan Zettel

Hi, from the NDSU Historic and Modern Daylily Display Gardens! Our Region 1 Hybridizer's Bed has been receiving donations this year.

I want to thank Bill and Dori Lidinsky for a large donation of their recent introductions! Also, thanks go to Mary Baker, Val Hoefler, Joan Zettel, and Nancy Rash for donating plants this year. We are always accepting named varieties that we don't already have in the collection. We are especially interested in planting varieties that you would like to show off during the 2025 Regional meeting in Fargo. If we get them planted early, they will put on a great show in 2025.

Newbie Corner

I may have the skills to put together a newsletter, but I'm still new to this daylily world. I'm including a newbie corner for people like me who are still learning daylily terminology.

What is a polymerous daylily?

You may have seen many pictures of "polys" online and seen many of these gorgeous blooms in person. Let's explore what they are exactly.

According to the American Daylily Society's dictionary, "For daylily registration and exhibition purposes the term is used to designate a daylily with more than the normal number of segments in each floral whorl". (American Daylily Society, 2022).

In layman's terms, If there are more than three petals or sepals, it's a poly. Some cultivars put out blooms with extra segments on a regular basis. Some cultivars randomly put off extra petals. I had a

bloom on Prismatic (Brooks-BB, 2004) put out extras this year which is not the normal bloom habit.

Some breeders are trying to get this trait as a dominant feature. There are many gorgeous plants you can buy with high polymerous bloom rates. Our friend of Region 1, Paul Owen has 'Crazy Mr Jim' (Owen-P., 2010) which has a 70% poly trait. One of our regional speakers, Jim Murphy, has 'Four Blondes Walked into a Garden' (Murphy-J.P., 2019) with a poly rate over 90%!



Polymerous 'Prismatic' (Brooks-BB, 2004). Image Credit: Sabrina Sumsion



'Four Blondes Walked into a Garden' (Murphy-J.P., 2019) Image Credit: Jim Murphy

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