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On the cover: "Ollie the Trolley" carries attendees up the hill to the Phyllis McIntosh garden during the 2019 Region One Summer Meeting in Omaha (NE) Left to right: Le Walls (SD), Dawn Tubbesing (WI), Janet Haag (NE), Bobbie Uhlmann (NE), Selwyn Rash (IA), and Doug Moritz (NE) (photo by Joan Zettel)

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Submission Guidelines

The Daylily Pioneer is published for the benefit of ADS Region One members. As such, the focus is on regional members, hybridizers, and activities.

The Editor encourages submissions. All contributions are subject to editing for length or size, grammar, and clarity.

Digital images may be used for both electronic and print media and should be of high quality and resolution. Please contact the editor for more information.

Send articles and photographs by email to kmlamb@earthlink.net

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Deadline for the Spring issue of The Daylily Pioneer is March 1.

From the Editor

Kathy Lamb



Welcome to the fall 2019 issue of *The Daylily Pioneer*, my first as your new Editor! We have lots of news to share, so dig in and see what's happening in ADS Region One!

This is the second time we are using a digital platform for *The Daylily Pioneer*. Maybe we should consider calling the fall issue *The Daylily E-Pioneer*!

We plan to use a digital format for the fall issue each year and a traditional print format for spring. The digital format offers a huge cost savings and timely delivery, but it is a departure from print and comes with some limitations. For example, no page numbers appear!

Please drop me an email with your feedback on the digital format. For example, do you read on a tablet or on a smartphone? Or on a laptop or desktop? How does the digital version work for you?

For this pdf, which is provided for those who need a print version, we have a

traditional layout with page numbers and a Table of Contents. Some of the photos in the email version have been omitted, due to space constraints. The pdf we are mailing to those members without Internet access will be printed in black and white; a full-color pdf will be posted on the Region One website along with a link to the emailed *Daylily Pioneer*.

Article submissions are welcome! Our focus is on regional members, hybridizers, and activities. ADS gives awards for the Best Article on a number of subjects, including cultivars, gardens, hybridizers, hybridizing, scientific, humor, technology, photography, history, personalities, and youth. Want to try your hand with one of these topics? Let me know if I can help.

Deadline for the spring 2020 issue of *The Daylily Pioneer* is March 1, 2020.

The spring issue will be IN PRINT, so plan to send suitable photos!

Photos for the spring issue should be high-resolution, suitable for printing at 300 dpi. Please include names of cultivars or seedling numbers in your photos.

Deadline for the fall 2020 issue is October 1, 2020.

But you don't have to wait! You can send items before either deadline.

I welcome your feedback and comments! Please get in touch—contact info is provided for all Region One officers and liaisons near the top of this issue.

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Thank you!

The Editor thanks all the contributing writers, photographers, and proof readers for this issue:

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Mary Baker
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Kathy Larson
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Thank you for hosting the Summer Region One Meeting

The Nebraska Daylily Society

Tour garden hosts

Nancy Lee Anderson
Rita and Lyle Kahnk
Tom and Mary Keast
Phyllis McIntosh

Open garden hosts

Mary and Rich Baker
Doug Bremers
Scott and Linda Ferguson
Dave and Val Jean Hansen
Bob and Joanne Langabee



Websites

Region One website: ahsregion1.org
Region One blog: [Region 1 Daylily.Blogspot](http://Region1Daylily.Blogspot)
ADS website: daylilies.org

CALENDAR

DECEMBER 31, 2019

ADS membership renewals are due by December 31!

Your membership due date is indicated on the mailing label of your *Daylily Journal*. Garden Judges and Exhibition Judges must pay dues on time to continue their appointments!

Renew by mail or through the ADS Portal (you can pay online using PayPal): [ads membership](#) New members can learn about member benefits and how to join at [ads membership](#)

Brighten up February with a Symposium!

FEBRUARY 7-9, 2020

Region 10 Midwinter Symposium (MWS)

Bowling Green KY

Details will be posted soon on the ADS website.

FEBRUARY 14-16, 2020

Region 11 Winter Gathering

Independence MO

Speakers include Charles & Heidi Douglas, Lenora Larson, and Mary Baker.

More details soon on the Region 11 website:

ahsregion11.org/winter.html

FEBRUARY 28–MARCH 1, 2020

Region 2 Winter Symposium

Crowne Plaza Indianapolis Airport
Indianapolis, Indiana

Speakers include Claudia Conway, Scott Elliott, Kirsten Hatfield, Phil Korth, David Robinson, Bobby Scott, Nancy Watson, and Chris Wilboite.

[Region 2 2020 Winter Symposium](#)

MARCH 1, 2020

Deadline for submissions to the spring/summer issue of *The Region One Daylily Pioneer*

APRIL 15, 2020

You know what day this is! It is also:

Deadline for registration for the 2020 ADS National Convention

Register online or print the form here: [ADS 2020 National Convention Registration](#)

MAY 25–27, 2020

2020 National Convention

Savannah, Georgia

[ADS 2020 National Convention](#)

July 10-12, 2020

Region One Summer Meeting

Hosts: Cedar Valley Iris & Daylily Society

Cedar Rapids, Iowa

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Above: DeSoto Hotel, Savannah, Georgia—headquarters for the 2020 ADS National Convention

SEPTEMBER 1, 2020

- Deadline for submitting Pop Poll ballots
- Deadline for Garden Judges ballots

FUTURE REGION ONE SUMMER MEETINGS

2020

JULY 10-12, 2020

Cedar Valley Iris & Daylily Society (CVIDS)
Cedar Rapids, Iowa

SEE PREVIEW OF THE 2020 CVIDS SUMMER MEETING IN THIS ISSUE OF THE PIONEER

- More details will be in the Spring/Summer issue of *The Daylily Pioneer*.
- Registration form will be in the next issue of *The Daylily Pioneer* and on the Region One website at ahsregion1.org.

2021

Central Iowa Daylily Society (CIDS)
Marshalltown, Iowa

2022

Daylily Society of Minnesota (DSM)
Greater Minneapolis-St. Paul Area

2023

August 4-6, 2023

Hosts: North Dakota State University (NDSU)—Department of Plant Sciences with the Central North Dakota Daylily Society (CNDDS)

Fargo, North Dakota

See Club websites (inside front cover) for club activities.

Region One President's Report

Val Hoefer



Fall is such a beautiful time of year with the fresh, crisp, cooler air to make it easier to do the garden clean up and storing tools for the winter. That being said, fall will never outshine the color that the daylily gives us all summer long.

The late spring that put the garden behind its normal pace by two weeks was great, because the enormous amount of rainfall we received made the blooms

pop vibrant colors. There was color I have never seen before in some of my daylilies, and I have no idea where it came from.

I hope everyone had as much fun at the Summer Regional as I did! Charles and Heidi Douglas had a great presentation about how their operation works—from pollen dabbing to shipping the orders out.

It is always wonderful to spend time with people that have the same passion that I do. That is why everyone has joined a daylily club at the local level and enjoys the companionship at the Regional and National level. I hope everyone does their part to help the clubs they are in by volunteering. Clubs need your support and different talents to make them a fun and learning experience for everyone in the club. I'm sure you have what the club needs, so don't be afraid to say YES when asked to help. People are always willing to help make a job easier and faster to accomplish. As a plus, you get to know and make more friends by volunteering, so dive in and have fun.

Curt Hanson was the speaker at Pollen Dabbers this year which was moved to September. He is full of a lot of information and is very willing to share this knowledge. If you are thinking about hybridizing this is a great place to start.

Enjoy the winter months. Spring will be here before you know it!

Val Hoefer

Region One Regional President (RP)

(photo of Val Hoefer by Lyle Moen)

Region One Director's Report

Kris Henning



Dear Region One Members,

Every year, it seems a different daylily in my garden catches my eye and outperforms all the rest. This year, it was *Hemerocallis 'Vicky's Radiance'* (2010) by Paul Owen, named in honor of Region One's Vicky Aughenbaugh of South Dakota. It's awesome—the wonderful flaming coral color, the deep saturation, the tentacled gold edge—she stood tall and straight above most others, blooming her head off and making me stop and smile each time I walked past. It was great to enjoy her!

This summer's American Daylily Society National Convention in Madison, WI, gave many members of Region One the opportunity to attend, as it was conveniently located right next door to us; we had 53 of our members registered out of 466 registrations.

For the 2019 Personal Awards announced at the Convention, our own Karol Emmerich won the Bertrand Farr Silver Medal for outstanding results in the field of hybridizing. The 2019 Region One Service Award went to Steve Horan for his many years of service and support to our Region. Way to go, Karol and Steve!

Hoping to see you all in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, next year for the Region One Summer Meeting!

Happy Fall!

Kris Henning

Region One Director

2020 Region One Summer Meeting — Cedar Rapids, Iowa

20/20 A PERFECT DAYLILY VISION

(Get It???)

Friday through Sunday • July 10-12, 2020 • Kirkwood Community College

Hosted by the Cedar Valley Iris and Daylily Society (CVIDS)

FEATURED SPEAKERS

**Mike Grossmann &
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WORKSHOP 2

Phil Fass, *Chair.*

Plan NOW to join us for the 2020 Region One Summer Meeting in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

HEADQUARTERS

The Hotel – Kirkwood Center

7725 Kirkwood Boulevard SW
Cedar Rapids, IA 52404

CVIDS hosted the 2012 Region One Regional at Kirkwood Community College, which was described as a wonderful hotel and facility for our event. We are planning for the same or even better at the same location this year. (And there's no extra tax on hotel rooms!)

Our accommodations, tour gardens, open gardens, featured speakers and planned activities are looking great. We anticipate having many wonderful opportunities for attendees to learn, to visit, and to experience the hospitality and sharing of other lovers of daylilies.



The registration form will be included in the Spring-Summer issue of the Region One *Daylily Pioneer* and soon on the Region One website:

www.ahsregion1.org

PLANT DONATIONS

Live Auction:

2016 or newer named varieties

Bargain Table:

Notable daylilies with pedigree

Silent Auction Items:

Garden Art, tools, etc.

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PUT JULY 10-12, 2020, ON YOUR CALENDAR RIGHT NOW!

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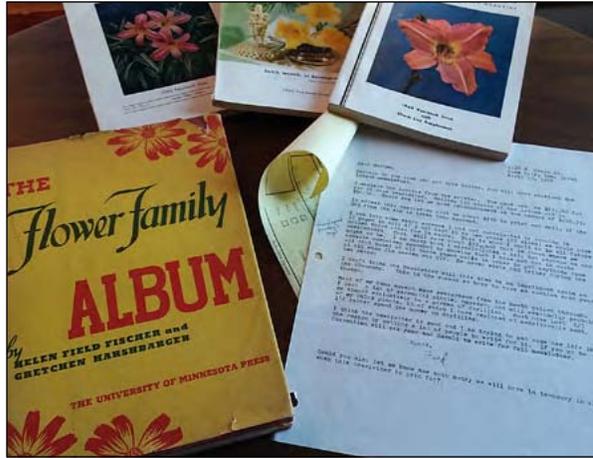
Notes from the Region One Historian

Kathy Larson
Region One Historian
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One of the jobs of a Regional Historian is to “See that articles of historical value are printed from time to time in the Regional Newsletter.” To that purpose, if anyone would like to donate past club meeting minutes, letters, public planting lists, regional meeting booklets, etc., I will be glad to receive them! The Historian’s Archives should get a copy of each year’s Regional Meeting booklet(s) and issues of the Pioneer, too.

Joan Zettel’s devoted work sorting and shipping during the transition was the Gold Standard. You are the best!

In reading the materials I received, I was struck by the lasting interest the most mundane document can contain. Many of us remember Fred McDowell (Iowa City, Iowa) for his show garden, for his yearly articles evaluating the newest



Historic materials from the Region One archives.
(photo by Kathy Larson)

and best daylilies, and for his wonderful slides taken at all the important hybridizers’ gardens.

I found this in a letter Fred wrote to Evelyn Gulbrandson (Region 1 Secretary/Treasurer) on April 13, 1978: “Most of my Hems except some evergreens from the South pulled through. I lost a lot of perennial plants, however, and will probably go almost exclusively to a garden of daylilies. Must

“**After Polka Dots What Next?**”
by Martha Hadley and George Pettus, Region 13 Newsletter*
...’Blue Rose’ (Spalding) Elsie hopes she will be able to register this name for this unusual color breakthrough. There is a row of small blue polka dots all around the edge of each petal and sepal. The background color is old rose and the little dots are about 1/8” from the edge. Harold Harris said maybe the best name for this color pattern breakthrough should be “hem stitching.” We feel you will agree this is a real innovation when you have a chance to see this unusual flower.
*ADS Region 13 comprises Arkansas and Louisiana

have lost 2/3 of my phlox plants, 25 of which I have replaced at considerable cost. I’d rather spend the money on daylilies.”

Then I found an intriguing bit in the Summer 1976 Region 1 Newsletter: “After Polka Dots What Next?” (see excerpt above).

Where is this daylily now??? Will you follow history’s clues and track it down?



Region One Board Meeting Minutes 2019 ADS Region 1 Board and Liaison Meeting July 5, 2019, 4:00 P.M. Omaha, Nebraska

The meeting was called to order by Regional President Val Hoefler at 4:00 P.M. Introductions were made and a financial report handed out. The Regional meeting schedule was given: 2020—Cedar Rapids, IA, 2021—Marshalltown, IA, and 2022 Minneapolis, MN. We have no club scheduled for 2023 and options were discussed.

The Nomination Committee, Mary Baker, Kathy Lamb and Kathy Larson will be looking for the next President for 2021-2022 term and for the next Director for 2022-24 term.

The board voted to make the Newsletter Editor a paid position which will be \$1500 per year, \$750 after the Spring issue is distributed and \$750 after the Fall issue is distributed (digitally & Hard copy). The editor will also be given up to a \$1000 stipend to attend the regional each year. Kathy Lamb will be the new Pioneer

Editor for the 2019 Fall issue. Kathy also discussed using Constant Contact for the digital distribution.

Mary Baker discussed the Region 1 blog and wanted more participation from a variety of people.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Val Hoefler
Substitute Secretary for Kris Henning

Attendance: Mary Baker, Kathy Lamb, Steve Horan, Jonathan Poulton and Val Hoefler. Absent Kris Henning, Karol Emmerich, Kathy Larson, Keith Riewert and Jackie Westhoff

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Region One Business Meeting Minutes
2019 ADS Region 1 Business Meeting
July 5, 2019, 7:00 P.M.
Omaha, Nebraska

The annual business meeting of Region One of the American Hemerocallis Society was held at 7:00 P.M. on July 6, 2019, in Omaha, NE. It was presided over by Regional President Val Hoefer. There are 234 AHS members in Region One and a 5% quorum was met. The President thanked everyone that helped in any way with the Regional Meeting. Officers were introduced and thanked for a great job they do for the Region.

Secretary Report

Minutes of the 2018 business meeting were published in the 2018 digital fall issue of The Daylily Pioneer . There were no corrections. The minutes stood approved as published.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report was published in the 2019 spring issue of The Daylily Pioneer . No corrections. Report stood approved as published. The Budget was also presented.

Motions Passed

The Region One Officers voted to make the editor of The Daylily Pioneer a paid position of \$1500 a year (\$750 for the Spring issue and \$750 for the Fall issue) payable upon distribution of the issue. There will also be up to a \$1000 stipend for travel expenses to the regional. Mary Baker made the motion and Scott Ferguson seconded to approve. Motion passed.

Sylvia Bauguess made the motion and Barry Stoll seconded to accept the nomination of Mary Baker, Kathy Lamb and Kathy Larson to serve on the Nomination committee for 2020-2021. Motion passed.

National Award

Karol Emmerich received the 2019 Stout Silver Medal for 'Entwined in the Vine'.

VEEP Scroll Award

Mary Baker and Kathy Lamb presented Joan Zettel with the 2019 VEEP Scroll award for her work to transfer all of Bryce Farnsworths regional information to current Region 1 Historian, Kathy Larson.

Display Gardens

Region 1 currently has 21 display gardens.

Garden Judges

Mary Baker gave a report on garden judges. Please contact her if you are interested in becoming a garden judge.

Popularity Poll

Steve Horan gave a report on the Popularity Poll.

Respectfully submitted,

Val Hoefer

Substitute Secretary for Kris Henning

Memorials & Gifts to ADS

These Region One members have made donations to the American Daylily Society. ADS is always grateful for extra support from its members. You may make a donation in someone's memory or to honor a living member's service to a club, to a region, or to ADS. You can use PayPal for online donations. For details, see [American Daylily Society Donations](#), or contact

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Region One RPD Report

Steve Horan
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Greetings, Region One daylily friends,

The votes are in. Region One has spoken. And the winner is ...

As I write this, I've just finished watching the Finales episode and Results episode of America's Got Talent Season 14. Such great acts and fabulous competition.

Benicio Bryant, a 14-year old singer and songwriter, was my favorite and he made it to the Finals. Kodi Lee was a very worthy winner. It was also cool that all finals contestants got to perform with one of their idols on the final night. Great entertainment.

Segueing back to daylilies, the Popularity Poll isn't on national TV and Simon Cowell has probably never laid eyes on a daylily. But for daylily aficionados, the Popularity Poll is a pretty big deal. Most of all, it's fun and informative.

A little background. The poll is for AHS members, but you do not have to be garden judges to participate. Members vote for up to ten of their most popular daylilies in the Region. A ballot is presented, and members may also submit write-in votes for daylilies not appearing on the ballot. The ballot is based on historical popularity, and each year I add award winners and daylilies observed at the Regional and local events. To keep the ballot fresh, I also remove daylilies not receiving votes and add daylilies receiving write-in votes.

Participation was down this year. Bloom was at about 30% during the time of our Summer Regional event, which is usually when most ballots are turned in. Members may have chosen to hold back their ballots and then forgot to turn them in later in the season.

Still, it was a hotly contested contest, with 'Neon Flamingo' coming out on top after having placed second or third for the last several years. So without further ado, the winners are:



The 2019 Pop Poll WINNER! H. 'Neon Flamingo' (Gossard 2006) placed first in the 2019 Region One Pop Poll and will receive the David Hall Memorial Certificate for our region. (photo by Kyle Billadeau)

(See facing page for photos of #2-#10 winners.)

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|------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Neon Flamingo, 12 votes | 8. Jerry Hyatt, 7 votes |
| 2. Ruby Spider, 11 votes | 9. Papa Goose, 7 votes |
| 3. Bela Lugosi, 9 votes | 10. Fooled Me, 6 votes |
| 3. Ravishing Rita, 9 votes | 10. I Lava You, 6 votes |
| 5. Ambrosia Rows, 8 votes | 10. Mabou, 6 votes |
| 5. Timbercreek Ace, 8 votes | 10. Mango Punch, 6 votes |
| 5. Vicky's Radiance, 8 votes | |

Pop Poll results can be used to identify daylilies that do well across Region One. I know in my case, I've added many daylilies to my garden that were popular across the region that I didn't know much about. It's a great source of information. And it's fun to participate as you pay more attention to what is doing well in your garden.

The Popularity Poll makes me think back on the entire bloom season and remember those daylilies that were favorites at the time they were blooming.

I was involved in a get-together with a group of daylily friends just prior to the poll deadline, and we took turns sharing each of our favorites. It was a fun time and will likely become an annual event for us.

So next year's race is wide open. I hope you'll participate.

Happy gardening!

Steve Horan
Region One Regional Publicity Director (RPD)
(photo of Steve by Lyle Moen)



YOUR VOTE COUNTS!
Vote in the Pop Poll in 2020! Plus it's fun to see
your favorites make the winner list!

AMERICAN DAYLILY SOCIETY REGION ONE 2019 POPULARITY POLL — 2ND THROUGH 10TH PLACE WINNERS



#2

H. 'Ruby Spider' (Stamile 1991)
(photo by Kathy Lamb)



Tied for #3

H. 'Bela Lugosi' (Hanson-C. 1995)
(photo by Kathy Lamb)



Tied for #3

H. 'Ravishing Rita' (Otto 2013)
(photo by Kyle Billadeau)



Tied for #5

H. 'Ambrosia Rows' (Lamb-K. 2006)
(photo by Kathy Lamb)



Tied for #5

H. 'Timbercreek Ace' (Lovell 2004)
(photo by Joan Zettel)



Tied for #5

H. 'Vicky's Radiance' (Owens-P. 2010)
(photo by Kyle Billadeau)



Tied for #8

H. 'Jerry Hyatt' (Hanson-C. 2004)
(photo by Kathy Lamb)



Tied for #8

H. 'Papa Goose' (Douglas-H. 2011)
(photo by Kyle Billadeau)



Tied for #10

H. 'Fooled Me' (Reilly-Hein 1990)
(photo by Kyle Billadeau)



Tied for #10

H. 'I Lava You' (Holmes-S. 2009)
(photo by Kyle Billadeau)



Tied for #10

H. 'Mabou' (Mason-M. 2003)
(photo by Kathy Lamb)



Tied for #10

H. 'Mango Punch' (Lamb-K. 2015)
(photo by Kathy Lamb)

Region One Garden Judges Liaison Report

Mary Baker, *Region One Garden Judges Liaison*
(Nebraska)



As of the ADS Region One Business Meeting on July 6, 2019

ADS Region One membership is 244 as of July 6, 2019. A region's maximum number of Garden Judges (GJs) is 20% of its membership, so Region One can have a maximum of 49 GJs. Our region currently has 36 GJs, and can have up to 13 more GJs. Nine are Garden Judge Instructors (GJ Instructors). Since 2018, our total number of GJs decreased by two from 38 to 36 (one due to death and the other due to health issues).

We need more GJs to represent our region for more northern votes on the annual AHS Awards & Honors Ballot.

Consider taking Garden Judges Workshops 1 and 2 for credit to become a new GJ.

Students can take the workshops in any order. Note: To learn how to become a new GJ, click <https://daylilies.org/daylilies/judges/> and scroll down to the "What are the steps I need to follow to become a garden judge?" section and read all about it.

Garden Judge News—Effective Immediately!

Send all applications to become a NEW Garden Judge directly to the Garden Judges Records Chair.

No longer send new GJ applications to RP Val Hoefer as previously required; renewing GJ applications are already sent directly to the Garden Judges Records Chair.

This new procedure treats all GJs and prospective GJs consistently and streamlines the process, as all GJ application and renewal application forms will now go directly to the Garden Judges Records Chair.

As of October 19, 2019, the new ADS Garden Judges Records Chair is Claude Carpenter (Kris Henning no longer holds this position).

Claude Carpenter's mailing address:

Claude Carpenter
ADS Garden Judges Records Chair
6075 Vickery Pt
Cumming GA 30040-8756

Garden Judges Workshop 1 (GJW1) Update

Effective soon after January 1, 2020, our region's GJ Instructors can host Garden Judges Workshop 1 (GJW1) online. We will no longer have to wait for ADS to host GJW1 online at the national level, because ADS purchased a subscription to WebEx that will

allow any GJ Instructor to host GJW1 online. Our region will offer GJW1 online during fall 2020 (date to be determined). Online GJW1 offerings are free to students and auditors.

Along with assisting with GJW2 instruction in a garden during daylily bloom season, GJs can now assist with GJW1 instruction online to become a new GJ Instructor. Previously a GJ had to assist with GJW1 instruction in a classroom setting to become a new GJ Instructor. Both the online and classroom options are now available.

Note: To become a new GJ Instructor, you must be 1) in year 5 of your first term as a GJ (or any year of a subsequent/renewing GJ term), and 2) an ADS member in good standing (dues paid and GJ ballot voted by the deadline).

Garden Judges Workshop 2 (GJW2)

Garden Judges Workshop 2 (GJW2) will be offered during the 2020 ADS Region One Meeting hosted by the Cedar Valley Iris and Daylily Society (CVIDS) on Sunday, July 12.

Fees are \$5 for credit or \$3 to audit, payable on the day of the workshop.



Phil Fass looks for daylilies to use for instructing Garden Judges Workshop 2 in the Phyllis McIntosh Garden during the 2019 Summer Meeting.

Region One Award Winners Make History

By the Editor

The Bertrand Farr Silver Medal

Karol Emmerich is the first individual from ADS Region One to win the Bertrand Farr Silver Medal! See story starting on page 12.

About the Bertrand Farr Silver Medal

Established in 1950 by the American Hemerocallis Society (AHS, now also known as the American Daylily Society, or ADS), the Bertrand Farr Silver Medal is “a distinguished honor for members who have attained outstanding results in the field of daylily hybridizing.” The award recognizes an entire body of hybridizing work, unlike individual cultivar awards. Also, while a cultivar award goes to a particular daylily, the Bertrand Farr goes to the individual. Each year, one individual may win the award.

Nominations

Any AHS member may submit a nomination to the AHS Awards & Honors Chair by September 1 of each year. To be successful, nominations will include a review of the nominee’s achievements, such as cultivar awards, appearances on the Popularity Poll, and any additional accomplishments by the hybridizer. Winning the Stout Silver Medal for an introduction is not a prerequisite for winning the Bertrand Farr, but it likely helps support the nomination.

Voting

The ADS Board of Directors is solely responsible for voting on the Bertrand Farr Silver Medal. Board members review the nominees and then vote in secret. And the secret is kept! Not even they know the result of their votes until the presentation of the award at the following ADS National Convention.

History of Winners

In 1950, Arlow B. Stout was the winner of the first Bertrand Farr Silver Medal. Since then, the list of winners is a Who’s Who of the world of daylilies! See the complete list of Bertrand Farr Silver Medal recipients here: [Bertrand Farr Silver Medal Winners](#)



The Stout Silver Medal

Nan Ripley is one of three hybridizers from Region One to win the Stout Silver Medal in the last decade. See story starting on page 14.

About the Stout Silver Medal

The Stout Silver Medal has been awarded once a year since 1950 and is the highest award a daylily can receive. The first daylily awarded the Stout was ‘Hesperus’, hybridized by H.P. Sass, a Region One hybridizer from Nebraska. Mr. Sass also hybridized the 1953 winner ‘Resolute’.

Fifty-eight years passed before a Region One hybridizer’s daylily was once again awarded the Stout Silver Medal.

The Stout is at the top of the American Daylily Society’s pyramid of daylily awards. On the path to winning the Stout Silver Medal, a daylily must first win an Honorable Mention (HM). After three years, winners of an HM appear on the Awards and Honors ballot to be considered for an Award of Merit (AM). After three more years, the winners of an AM are eligible to win the Stout.

ADS Garden Judges cast votes by ballot to determine winners at each level.

- ‘North Wind Dancer’ won the Stout in 2011, hybridized by Gary Schaben of Minnesota.
- ‘Entwined in the Vine’ won in 2018, hybridized by Karol Emmerich of Minnesota.
- And now, ‘Scarlet Pimpernel’ in 2019, hybridized by Nan Ripley of Iowa.

See the Stout Medal Winners by Region and State [here](#).



Karol Emmerich wins the Bertrand Farr Silver Medal for Hybridizing

Recognizing excellence with the Bertrand Farr Award—More to the Story

By Nan Ripley
(Iowa)

In my mind no one is more worthy of this prestigious honor than my dear friend Karol Emmerich. The Bertrand Farr Silver Medal is a true confirmation of her excellence in hybridizing expertise. Karol inspires respect and admiration for her high standards in making selections. Her introductions show all the traits one wants in a daylily plus that magic “Karol Emmerich touch of exquisite beauty.”

When we learned Karol had won the 2018 Stout Silver Medal for ‘Entwined in the Vine’ (Emmerich 2007), we made plans to go together to Madison (WI) for the 2019 ADS National Convention, where she would receive the Stout. What an exciting time we had walking the tour gardens with friends from near and far. Many of Karol’s introductions grew in these northern gardens, and all were looking super. We had wonderful conversations with the owners of the tour gardens, and the gardens were absolutely some of the best I have ever visited at a national convention.

On Saturday night, it was magical to be a part of the Convention and to see Karol get the Bertrand Farr award! Karol received an instant standing ovation, with everyone clapping and wearing big smiles. You could feel the joy coming from people, they were so happy for Karol. Later it was very rewarding to see how many people came to our table to give Karol personal hugs



ADS President Judie Branson (at left) presents the Bertrand Farr Silver Medal to Karol Emmerich during the 2019 ADS National Convention in Madison, Wisconsin. (photo by Nan Ripley)

and compliments for her work. Karol became teary eyed many times while people were hugged her and offered heart-felt congratulations. It was a once-in-a-lifetime experience.

I met Karol in 2003 at the Region One summer meeting—my first large daylily event and an eye-opener. Karol was very kind to this newbie and invited me and

others to her greenhouse at Springwood Gardens in Jordan, Minnesota, to learn more about all things to do with daylilies. Karol opened her greenhouse for one day each May so we all could learn more about dos and don’ts of hybridizing daylilies, garden etiquette, and form true friendships.

Bertrand Farr continued on next page.



Spring Fling at Karol Emmerich’s Springwood Gardens, Jordan, Minnesota, May 2013 (photo by Kyle Billadeau)



Above. Karol Emmerich with Iowa friend and hybridizer Nan Ripley (photo by Don Lovell)

The greenhouse was an amazing place to learn what was possible with work and a plan. Karol had worksheets made out for everyone, and they were different each year. Karol put us in groups, so there were some novices and some with more experience; we learned together. I will never be able to thank her enough for all the gifts of learning and the wonderful people I met during 2004-2016 in her wonderful space. Karol gave tirelessly to everyone who attended those special “Spring Flings” in her greenhouse. Not only is Karol a gifted hybridizer, she is an empowering teacher.

I asked Karol, out of her introductions, which one has made the most impact on her future introductions. She did not hesitate: ‘Heartbeat of Heaven’ (Emmerich 2004).

‘Heartbeat of Heaven’ put ruffles, good branching, good opening, and instant rebloom on northern flowers. It became one of Karol’s foundation plants and is in the background of a large percentage of Karol’s introductions.

Hybridizers across the country have also used it. For example; a search on the AHS data base shows 108 registered cultivars with ‘Heartbeat of Heaven’

as a parent; 44 are by Karol, and 64 are registrations by other hybridizers from many different USDA hardiness zones. The progeny grows, with Karol having intros out of those 44, and with ‘Heartbeat of Heaven’ continuing as a second-generation parent, and beyond. Many introductions by Karol and by other hybridizers can trace their pedigrees back to ‘Heartbeat of Heaven’.

I also asked Karol which of her future seedlings was her favorite. No hesitation here either: Seedling #12414. It’s clear that Karol’s legacy of excellence will continue, and I can’t wait to see what future Emmerich introductions Karol will bring to the daylily world.

Congratulations, Karol, and thank you for all you have done in hybridizing to make our daylilies awe-inspiring!



Above. H. ‘Heartbeat of Heaven’ (Emmerich 2004)
A semi-evergreen 32” tetraploid with a 6.5” pink lavender bloom, an ivory lavender halo, and an edge etched in darker lavender trimmed in gold. Awards: HM (2007) and AM (2010) (photo by Bill Waldrop)



Above. Karol at Springwood Gardens with friends Sandy Holmes and Stacy Swain.
(photo by Kyle Billadeau)



Karol in her greenhouse during full bloom (photo by Kyle Billadeau)



Above. Karol’s seeding #12414 is a new favorite and a possible future introduction.

Visit Karol’s website for Springwood Gardens for more photos and descriptions.
springwoodgardens.com/

Scarlet Pimpernel' by Nan Ripley wins the 2019 Stout Silver Medal

By Karol Emmerich
(Minnesota)

Nan Ripley is a treasured member of our region. We have known her as a diligent and selfless leader as Region One President and then as Region One AHS Director for two terms, where she brought a strong, thoughtful voice to AHS proceedings.

She is always willing to serve. She has chaired numerous regional events, is a garden judge instructor, and has had her beautiful AHS display garden on tour numerous times—filled with daylilies and a variety of unusual plants (plus her beloved German shepherds Mindy, Savannah, and more recently Cheyenne and River).

And now we know Nan as the hybridizer of a Stout Silver Medal winner—'Scarlet Pimpernel'. "Over the moon happy," "blessed," and "humbled" were a few of the reactions Nan had upon hearing the news.

From the time of its introduction, 'Scarlet Pimpernel' has attracted attention. In 2013, it won an Honorable Mention plus the Ned Roberts spider/Unusual Form Award plus it tied for first in the Region One Popularity Poll. In 2016, it won an Award of Merit.

Nan began hybridizing in 1999 and remembers the day she began: "In 1998 a group of Master Gardeners came from Marshalltown to our garden in Nevada to do a garden tour. After the tour we all sat around in the garden



H. 'Scarlet Pimpernel' (Ripley 2006) Winner of the 2019 Stout Silver Medal, hybridized by Nan Ripley of Nevada, Iowa (photo by Mary Baker)



Nan Ripley, hybridizer of the 2019 Stout Silver Medal award winner 'Scarlet Pimpernel'

talking flowers. Don Lovell told of his hybridizing of daylilies and asked me if I would like to try it. At first I said no,

but then Don asked me if I would like to paint a flower no one else has ever seen. He had my attention with a flower no one else has ever seen. Being a watercolor artist and Don an art teacher we looked at things alike. So that day I learned how to pollen dab. I did a few flowers in 1999 and in 2000 and started keeping records. Don Lovell became my mentor in hybridizing and a lifetime friend." [From a private communication.]

To date, Nan has 55 daylily introductions and currently plants about 1,100 new seedlings a year. When preparing an article for the spring 2018 issue of *The Daylily Pioneer*, she said: "I consider many factors when deciding whether or not to introduce a daylily. I want each of my introductions to be hardy for my zone, have straight scapes, lots of blooms, good branching, nice foliage, clean color with sparkle, and most importantly, does it make me smile? I also want the flowers looking at me... like Humphrey Bogart said in Casablanca, 'Here's looking at you kid,' and I can hear his voice when I'm checking scapes. I usually know in the first two years if a plant is good, but is it good enough? Is it an improvement? Does it look different from other things on the market? Would I be able to easily identify it in someone else's garden? Would I purchase it myself? If I have to consider these too long, then it isn't good enough."

Stout Winner continued on next page.

[See the article, “How and Why I Select Plants to Introduce,” by Nan Ripley, *The Daylily Pioneer*, Vol. 19, No. 1 Spring 2018, pp. 10–11.]

Nan lives on 10 acres in rural Iowa with her husband Merwyn. She is an outstanding gardener and plantswoman, and her Walkabout Garden contains many unique plant varieties that bring visitors from long distances. The gar-

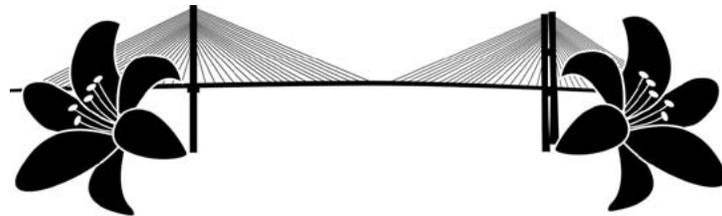
den features over 1,000 different varieties of perennials, shrubs, and trees, in addition to her daylily seedlings.

Nan is an active speaker for daylily and general garden groups throughout the United States and is a great ambassador for the daylily. Articles about Nan have appeared in several magazine, including Martha Stewart Living (May 2017), The Daylily Journal, and ia magazine. You can see pictures of her Walkabout

Gardens in the AHS book by Oliver Billingslea, *Landscaping with Daylilies* (American Hemerocallis Society 2012).

www.walkaboutgardens.com

(At the Walkabout Gardens website, click on “2008-04” and scroll down to see description and more photos of ‘Scarlet Pimpernel’)



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*Final Deadline for Convention
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Steve Horan Receives the Region One 2019 Regional Service Award

Region One is proud to claim Steve Horan as one of our members. In recognition of his service on our behalf, ADS presented Steve with the 2019 Regional Service Award during the National ADS Convention in Madison, Wisconsin. Congratulations, Steve!

Read the nomination letter here to learn about Steve's stellar service to Region One and see why he is so deserving. Steve sets an example for all ADS members!

2019 Service Award Nomination for Region 1 Steve Horan
To: AHS Honors & Awards Chairman Claude Carpenter

Dear Sir,

We would like to nominate Steve Horan for the 2019 Region 1 Service Award. Steve belongs to the Daylily Society of Minnesota (DSM) and has served both the club and our Region faithfully for many years. He has a beautiful garden in the Twin Cities metro area that he has opened for many tours—for the club, for the Region, and for two National Conventions. Steve is currently the Regional Publicity Director.

For the Club: Steve has been a member of DSM since 2002. He has participated many of those years as an Officer of the Club, serving as Program Director, President and Vice-President. He is currently the Past President. He donates to the club auction and plant sale and participates in the Plant Adoption Program.

For the Region: Steve has been to most of the Regional meetings since becoming a member. He donates and purchases plants and always helps where needed. He is currently a Garden Judge and Garden Judge Instructor for the Region.

Steve has been the Region's Publicity Director for many years, serving in that role as the administrator of the Popularity Poll. He initiated revising the rules for the Pop Poll by proposing the 'Hall of Fame' for past winners. The National Society has taken his model and is considering doing the same. Steve makes participating in the Pop Poll very easy. He explains the process at the Regional meetings and also brings extra ballots and collects those from voters.

Steve always has a very positive attitude when dealing with people. He is a willing and good-natured volunteer. He deserves the Regional Service Award for his service to our Region.

Yours truly,

Kris Henning, *Region 1 Director*
Val Hoefler, *Region 1 President*



Joan Zettel Receives the 2019 VEEP Perpetual Scroll Award

by Mary Baker
(Nebraska)

The 2019 VEEP Perpetual Scroll Award recipient is Joan Zettel of Breckenridge, Minnesota.

The VEEP Perpetual Scroll is an award established in 1963 by American Daylily Society (ADS) Region One to recognize service to ADS Region One and support for the Region One President (RP). Each year, the RP may award the VEEP Perpetual Scroll to an ADS member who 1) has not yet received the award, 2) has provided outstanding service to our region, and 3) has significantly helped and supported the RP.

RP Val Hoefler asked me to present this award on her behalf.

Joan joined AHS effective January 1, 2016, and is a first-term Garden Judge. I first heard of Joan through a mutual friend, Bryce Farnsworth, who told me he was “reeling her in.” She works at the Chahinkapa Zoo in Wahpeton, North Dakota and was looking for daylilies to plant at the zoo. As part of the enabling process, Bryce lured her to the modern and historic public AHS daylily display gardens at North Dakota State University in Fargo, where her admiration of daylilies grew into an addiction.

Bryce persuaded Joan to volunteer in the daylily gardens at NDSU. She began spending more time at NDSU’s gardens. I heard more and more about her from Bryce. Their relationship evolved into friendship. Bryce served for many years as Region One’s Historian. He wanted her to know all there is to know about daylilies, AHS, and Region One (and then some), so he loaned her all the old



Joan Zettel with husband John during the 2019 ADS Summer Regional Meeting in Omaha (photo by Lyle Moen)

daylily journals and regional newsletters from his extensive collection—five at a time—and insisted that she read them all (which she did from cover to cover during those long North Dakota winters).

Then tragedy struck. Bryce’s health deteriorated, and we lost our good friend when he suddenly passed away from a massive cardiac arrest. Joan replaced Bryce as liaison for NDSU’s public and private AHS daylily display gardens, but her service didn’t stop there.

Kathy Larson from Marshalltown, Iowa stepped up to become the new Region One Historian. But how to gather and get the materials Bryce had stored for years to AHS Archivist Ken Cobb and to Kathy? The materials stored at Bryce’s house were in a state of disarray. So Joan worked with Bryce’s roommate to gather

materials, driving a two-hour round trip each time to pick up batches of stuff—often during blizzard conditions.

After returning home, Joan sorted through each disorganized mound of stuff to find the 20% keeper materials—AHS national items for Ken Cobb, and regional materials for Kathy Larson. It was like looking for needles in haystacks. Bryce’s roommate found things in haphazard stages, so all of this took a considerable amount of time, concentration, organization skills, and a great deal of patience. Joan made it all look smooth and easy, when in fact it was anything but.

Joan Zettel went way beyond the call of duty to ensure all Historian files went to the right person and place. Think of all the time she spent driving, poring through materials, sorting them, discarding junk, returning personal items intermingled with the Historian items, boxing up piles of materials for AHS and for our region, going to the Post Office, talking to Bryce’s roommate (and me), and more. Many hours spent over many days and weeks evolved into several months, and she stayed cheerful throughout—not once did she complain.

Busy as she is, Joan continues her involvement with NDSU. She will step into my role as Historic Daylily Display Garden Liaison at the end of the year. Look for her to request your daylily donations for NDSU’s gardens—and be generous.

Joan, thank you for everything—your service and dedication are greatly appreciated!



Mark your calendars!

A NEW location and a NEW kind of summer meeting is on the Agenda for 2023!

2023 REGION ONE SUMMER MEETING

August 4—6, 2023

On the campus of the North Dakota State University (NDSU)—Fargo

**Hosted by the NDSU Department of Plant Sciences
with the Central North Dakota Daylily Society.**



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- The First Public American Hemerocallis Society Historic Daylily Display Garden
- ADS Modern Daylily Display Garden
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- The brand-new Region One Hybridizers Display Garden

WHAT'S NEW?

Symposium Friday afternoon through Saturday evening

No bus tours

Open gardens Friday morning and all day Sunday

Choose your accommodations!

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WHAT'S THE SAME?

Friday and Saturday Banquets

Region One Business Meeting

Live Daylily Auction

Region One hybridizers' slide presentations

Garden Judges Workshop 2

AND Daylily camaraderie!

SAVE THE DATE AND SEE YOU THERE IN 2023!

Chair: Dr. Esther McGinnis, *NDSU Extension Specialist and Associate Professor, Horticulture*

Co-Chairs:

Mary Baker, *ADS Region One Garden Judges Liaison*

Barbara Laschkewitsch, *NDSU Research & Support Staff, Vegetables & Perennials*

Joan Zettel, *ADS Region One Historic Daylily Garden Liaison*

Lisa Schmidt, *Central North Dakota Daylily Society President*



Fireworks in the Gardens!

2019 Region One Summer Meeting—Omaha, Nebraska

The Nebraska Daylily Society hosted the 2019 Region One Summer Meeting in Omaha, July 5–7, over the Fourth of July for a weekend of “Fireworks in the Gardens”! We enjoyed moderate temperatures with just a bit of rain—all in all, delightful days of daylilies and camaraderie.

Guest speakers Heidi and Charles Douglas of Browns Ferry Gardens (Georgetown, SC) wowed attendees with their program, and Heidi conducted the Live Auction with her signature flair.

On Friday and Sunday, many enjoyed visiting fabulous open gardens. Following the Hybridizer Slide Show and Friday banquet, attendees added new and exciting daylilies to their collection while helping raise funds for the region.

In addition to the sizable daylily collections of each of the four tour gardens, NDS gave each tour garden funds to purchase supplemental club plants from a hybridizer of their choice, including Jamie Gossard (Keast Daylily Gardens), Charles and Heidi Douglas (Phyllis McIntosh Daylily Place), Paul Owen (the Kahnk’s Daylilies on the Fritz), and Richard



We boarded our “luxury cruiser” on Saturday morning. It was finally garden tour time! (photo by Lyle Moen)

Norris (Nancy Lee Anderson’s Farmony Gardens), to be part of a future NDS auction after the tour.

Open Gardens gave attendees more to see. Our Region One “reporters” will take you there in words and pictures!

Photo Gallery Fun from the Banquets

Two nights of banquets • Two nights of camaraderie • Guest Speakers
Silent Auction • Bargain Table • Live Auction • Hybridizer Slides • Awards!

A wonderful weekend with all the trimmings! Thanks to the Nebraska Dayily Society and all of the hard-working volunteers who made the event a success!

For photos from the banquets, please visit the Region One website at www.ahs.region1.org or download the digital issue by email email: <https://conta.cc/2rdVs0h>

Below: A view of Keast Daylily Gardens on the tour. (photo by Joan Zettel)



Farmony Gardens

Nancy Lee Anderson
Omaha, Nebraska

By Joan Zettel
(Breckenridge, Minnesota)

We boarded our “luxury cruiser” on Saturday morning. It was finally garden tour time!

On the ride to the first garden, we found out that Mel Bauguess, from Davenport, IA, was spending his 91st birthday with us. How special is that?! May we all still be out touring gardens at age 91.

Farmony Gardens was our first stop on a cool morning, and we received a warm country welcome from Nancy. The “Harmony” part of “Farmony” was achieved by several large rich-toned wind chimes and by a cardinal in the treetop who serenaded us the whole time we were in the garden. My favorite garden feature was the rock fountain in the front yard. Even the flowing water was playing music for us.

But what about the daylilies at Farmony Gardens?

We saw stunning daylilies! For sure! This was my first time seeing ‘Lydia’s Regal Robe’ (Waldrop 2008), and she looked like royalty. What a velvety purple robe she wears!

Jim Bernt’s ‘Blue But Not Sad’ (2017) stopped me in my tracks. What an intense eye it has! At only 3.25”, that small daylily demands attention.

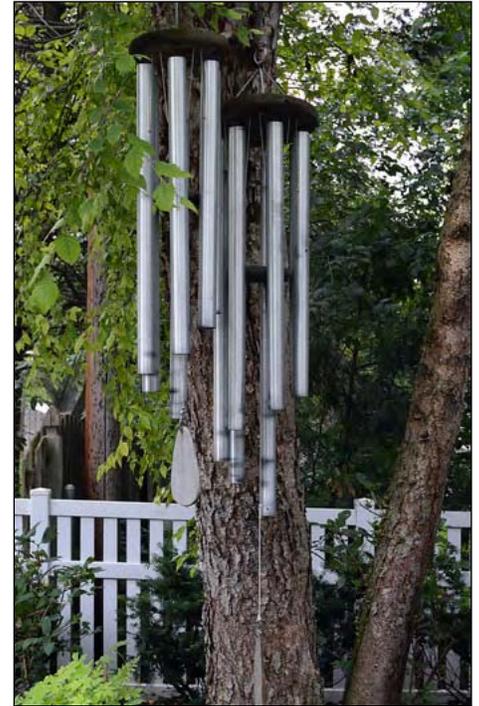
‘Cranberry Cove’ (Stamile 1985), a luscious cranberry red daylily, was growing in a large drift in the backyard.

Other “small but mighty” standouts were: ‘Rhinestone Kid’ (McRae 1985),



Left. Nancy Lee Anderson gave us a warm country welcome. (photo by Joan Zettel)

Below. Rich-toned wind chimes added “harmony” to “Farmony.” (photo by Joan Zettel)



‘Two Part Harmony’ (Kaskel-Trimmer 1996), and Grace Stamile’s ‘Broadway Pink Slippers’ (1995), the latter with incredible branching and bud count on a cute pink bi-tone.



H. ‘Lydia’s Regal Robe’ (Waldrop 2008)
(photo by Joan Zettel)



H. ‘Broadway Pink Slippers’ (Stamile-G. 1995)
(photo by Joan Zettel)

Several gorgeous daylily clumps were missing their labels. It seems that Nancy’s playful pup, Ruby Lee, thought the labels were chew toys. Oops! And many huge clumps with awesome budcounts weren’t in bloom yet. (Aw shucks!) But, it was easier to see the branching before the flowers covered it up!

A buffet with a country theme awaited us in the garage; ice cream and cheese were being offered as treats from the country, along with other delectable delights.

After we reluctantly boarded the bus to depart, Nancy Lee came aboard and introduced us to the ladies who helped keep up her garden as she went through cancer treatments. What a gracious lady!





Above: Lady Farmer garden art. (photo by Lyle Moen)



An open gate welcomed us to explore Nancy Lee Anderson's "Farmory Garden." (photo by Joan Zettel)

At right, clockwise from upper left:

1. *H.* 'Overnight Flight' (Norris-R. 2015) The Richard Norris collection was featured in Nancy Lee's garden;
2. *H.* 'Cranberry Cove' (Stamile 1985);
3. A boot tree added to the country theme;
4. *H.* 'Blue But Not Sad' (Bernt 2017)

(photos by Joan Zettel):



H. 'Two Part Harmony' (Kaskel-Trimmer 1996)
(photo by Joan Zettel)



H. 'Rhinestone Kid' (McRae 1985) is a "small but mighty" stand-out. (photo by Joan Zettel)



The country buffet is served! (photos by Lyle Moen)



Daylilies on the Fritz

Rita and Lyle Kahnk
Cedar Creek, Nebraska

By Vicky Aughenbaugh & Donna Steele
(South Dakota)



Stepping down from the bus at Rita and Lyle Kahnk's cabin and garden, it was obvious that daylilies were their primary interest. Located on Cedar Creek One, their garden was filled with color.

At their lake home, Rita had planted lots of seedlings from her sister, Phyllis McIntosh, and some that Rita had registered. Big tall cottonwood trees added shade to the cabin area to give a feeling of comfort and a place to relax after working in the gardens. Hidden among the various gardens were bowling pins to add a spot of surprise.

Among the daylilies were older and newer varieties, along with mini's and huge-faced flowers. Rita said she plants the daylilies, but Lyle does the heavy work. A special bed was planted with Paul Owen's introductions, which was the club collection for the Kahnk garden.

Many companion plants, such as hostas, phlox, iris and clematis share space with the daylilies. We would have enjoyed just sitting in the shade and looking at the flowers and blue waters of the lake, but we had other gardens to visit.



Above: Rita and Lyle Kahnk (photo by Lyle Moen)



Above. The Kahnk lakeside garden, "Daylilies on the Fritz" (photo by Joan Zettel)

Daylilies on this page, clockwise, starting at right:

- H. 'Picasso's Dream' (Baker-M. 2013);
- H. 'Kangaroo Court' (Owen-P. 2014);
- H. 'Dance Without Pants' (Owen-P. 2017);
- H. 'Free 'n Clear' (Owen-P. 2017);
- H. 'Mr. Sizzle' (Owen-P. 2015)

(photos by Kathy Lamb)





Top left. *H.* 'Cedar Creek Tomato Slices'
(Kahnk 2017); Top right: Kahnk garden scene
(photos by Joan Zettel)



Right:
H. 'Entwined in the Vine'
(Emmerich 2007)
2018 Stout Silver Medal
winner



Far right:
H. 'Cedar Creek Elaine
Remembered'
(Kahnk 2017)

(photos by Kathy Lamb)



Left:
H. 'Hiding Place'
(Emmerich 2014)
(photo by Kathy Lamb)

Right:
H. 'How I Met Your Cat'
(Clement 2011)
(photo by Kathy Lamb)

Below:
Kahnk garden art
(photo by Joan Zettel)



The Keast Daylily Garden

Tom and Mary Keast
Oakland, Iowa

By Steve Horan
(Minnesota)



Tom and Mary Keast welcome us for a garden visit and lunch! (photo by Lyle Moen)

I was especially interested in composing this write-up for the Keasts, as I have known Tom and Mary for a very long time. Daylily friends are the best.

Whoever said you can't go home again? In his book of the same name, Thomas Wolfe wrote, "Some things will never change. Some things will always be the same . . . All that he knew was that the years flow by like water, and that one day men come home again." Tom and Mary Keast must feel this way.

Some may remember that their garden was one of four tour gardens for the AHS Region One meeting in 2002. Since then, they packed their bags and moved to Colorado, taking many daylilies with them. But the call of home

was strong, and they eventually returned to Oakland, to live and garden on the same property. How sweet it is. It is good to have them back in Region One where it all started.

The years in Colorado have only added to the Keast daylily legacy, as their first introductions came from Colorado. One that I particularly enjoy is called 'Carnation Sunrise' (Keast-M.&T. 2014), and I bring it to our Minnesota Daylily Society off-scape show every year because I think it is so unique.



Left.
H. 'Carnation Sunrise'
(Keast-M.&T. 2014)
(photo by Joan Zettel)



Left.
H. 'Wings of Love'
(Keast-M.&T. 2018)
(photo by Kathy Lamb)

Right:
H. 'Praise On High'
(Keast-M.&T. 2018)
(photo by Joan Zettel)



Right:
H. 'Standing Proud'
(Keast-M.&T. 2019)
(photo by Joan Zettel)



Right:
H. 'Hilltop Dancer'
(Keast-M.&T. 2014)
10.5" bloom.
(photo by Joan Zettel)





Left: Keast seedling ('Mountaintop Kaleidoscope' X 'Malachite Prism')
(photo by Joan Zettel)



The Keast garden hosted a club collection by Jamie Gossard; three from the collection:

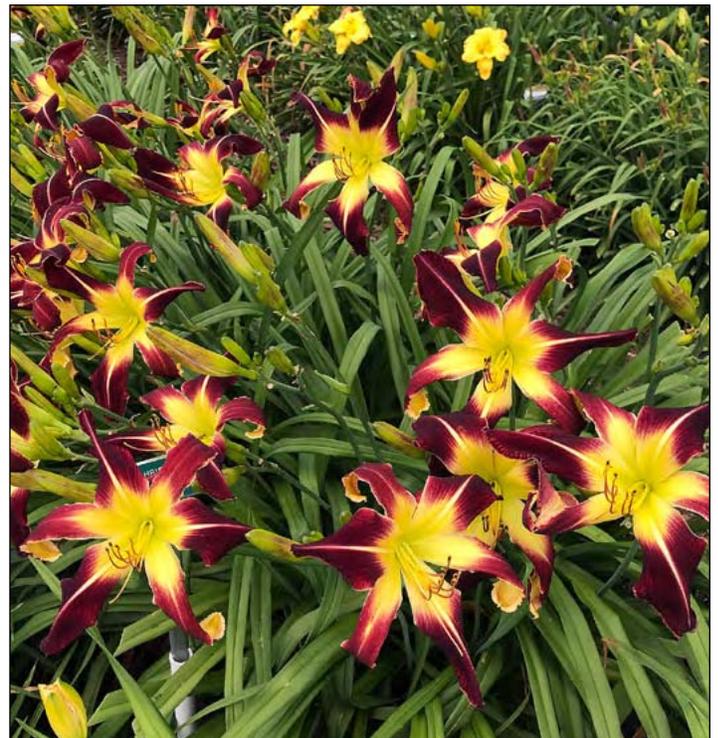
H. 'Fuchsia Frolic' (Gossard 2017)
(photo by Joan Zettel)



H. 'Blackberry Lime Kiss' (Gossard 2017)
(photo by Kathy Lamb)



H. 'Cliffjumper' (Gossard 2017)
(photo by Joan Zettel)



Nan Ripley's H. 'Scarlet Pimpernel' (Ripley 2006) UF-Crispate, 10" bloom; winner of the 2019 Stout Silver Medal (photo by Steve Horan)

'Carnation Sunrise' stands 18" tall with 3" blooms in mid season—a double daylily perfect for the front of the border where you can enjoy its unique carnation-like blooms.

Seeking out additional introductions, I made my way towards the back and side gardens, where most of their introductions were growing. I was especially fond of the yellow-green UF 'Wings of Love' (2018), the eyed-and-edged 'Faded Love' (2019), and the pink-lavender spider 'Hilltop Dancer' (2014).

There is garden art in abundance, including the Welcome sign at the entrance to the garden and Wheel Beds that give the garden an antique look. One piece of garden art that stood out to me was of a rusted sheriff who looked as though he was holding court in the garden.

Clever signage was also fun to see. One sign picturing garden tools proclaimed the gardener to be "perennially optimistic" with a "soiled reputation" and "dirty hands and grubby knees make pretty flowers sure to please." Another sign pictured a watering can with the words, "I'm so excited about Spring

I wet my plants."

Some of the daylilies that caught my eye included a striking clump of 'Fuchsia Frolic' (Gossard, 2017), the beautiful 'Wonder of It All' (Carr' 2005), a floriferous clump of 'Itsy Bitsy Spider' (Bishop-H. 1990), 'Lynn's Delight' (Albers 1992), 'Red Suspenders' (Webster 1990), the well-budded 'Smuggler's Gold' (Branch 1991), and 'Open Hearth' (Lambert 1976). Most special of all was a wonderful clump of the stunning 'Scarlet Pimpernel' (Ripley 2006) by our own Nan Ripley. Congratulations to Nan for the Stout Silver Medal!

It was great talking with Tom and Mary in their own garden as I wasn't around for the tour in 2002. I am also thankful they were so gracious as to serve us a wonderful lunch in the garden. There was plenty of seating area for us and we had extra time to view and enjoy the garden. Sharing the experience with all our members was a real treat.

Thank you so much, Tom and Mary!



The McIntosh Daylily Place

Phyllis McIntosh
Omaha, Nebraska

By Janelle Quinlan
(North Dakota))

As you walk up from the street, a feast for the eye of vibrant color lies ahead of you. It is like a sea of daylilies just waiting for you to explore. It is easy to see why The McIntosh Daylily Place has been designated an American Daylily Society Display Garden with over 800 daylilies and numerous hybridizers represented.

When you wander past the many rows of daylilies alongside the house, you come to the backyard with more levels of daylilies and perennials enhancing the gardens. Some of the perennials interspersed among the daylilies are Oriental lilies, hosta, clematis, sedums, and coral bells. She also has garden art interspersed with the plants to augment the beauty of the gardens.

Towards the back of the yard is a pergola with a sign that says, "McIntosh's Hideaway." It just makes

Left: "McIntosh's Hideaway," a restful spot to enjoy the beauty and sounds of the garden. (photo by Kathy Lamb);
Right: Guest speaker Heidi Douglas discovers her introduction H. 'Papa Goose' (2011) in bloom at The McIntosh Daylily Place. (photo by Lyle Moen)



Phyllis McIntosh welcomes us to her American Daylily Society Display Garden. (photo by Lyle Moen)

you want to stop and rest awhile to enjoy the beauty that surrounds you as you listen to the sound of the flowing water fountain.



Top: H. 'Pixie Chick' (McIntosh-P. 2006), a diploid with 25 buds—a blooming machine! (photo by Kathy Lamb);
Bottom: H. 'Big Boy Butterfly' (Pierce-G. 2017) (photo by Joan Zettel)

Phyllis is a familiar face in Region One from her attendance at regional meetings since getting interested in daylilies. It was fun to see her garden and visit with Phyllis to find out more about her daylily interests. I learned that her favorite colors of daylilies are orange and near white. One of her favorite hybridizers is Margo Reed, because of how quickly Margo's daylilies increase.



Phyllis uses raised flower beds on her patio to grow her seedlings from hybridizing. She says it is easy to monitor them in this way.

Phyllis has registered four daylilies so far—the tetraploid ‘Hooked On Angel Wings’ (2010), and the diploids ‘Yellow Slippers’ (2018), ‘Sandhill Crane’ (2011), and ‘Pixie Chick’ (2006). As she works on her hybridizing program, Phyllis’ sister and brother-in-law, Rita and Lyle Kahnk, graciously host some of Phyllis’ seedlings at their “Daylilies on the Fritz” lake cabin.

If you are ever in the Omaha area in their summer, it is a must see stop to explore “The McIntosh Place”—an American Daylily Society Display Garden.



Clockwise from upper left: *H.* ‘Finish the Race’ (Emmerich 2009) shows off a lavender etched eye pattern; A yellow-gold edge finishes the purple edge on *H.* ‘God Save the Queen’ (Morss 2005); *H.* ‘Exotic Starfish’ (Gossard 2013) presents an intriguing pattern in shades of blue and purple. *H.* ‘Fixed Income’ (Hanson-C. 2010) exhibits a precise chevron eye. (photos by Joan Zettel)



Left: *H.* ‘Bowtie Affair’ (Pierce-G. 2013) catches the eye with a stunning appliqué pattern. (photo by Joan Zettel)

Below: Phyllis McIntosh, beside her raised seedling bed (photo by Kathy Lamb); Bottom: Fountain adds the sound of flowing water. (photo by Lyle Moen)



Above: McIntosh Garden Scene (photo by Kathy Lamb);

Left: *H.* ‘Judge Nancy’ (Hansen-D. 2005) features a double edge plus veining in the eyezone. (photo by Lyle Moen)



But wait — there's more! Open Gardens Dazzle!

Open to Guests, Open to Sharing, Open to Learning

By Nancy Rash

President, Cedar Valley Iris and Daylily Society
(Iowa)

Five beautiful gardens were open to attendees as part of ADS Region One, "Fireworks in the Garden," July 5-7, 2019. Open Gardens are a conference bonus with generous hosts that have prepared their garden to share with fellow daylily enthusiasts. My husband (Lyle Moen) and I like to see each of the Open Gardens, and we appreciate the directions and maps NDS provided. Each garden has well-labeled plants and friendly hosts that take time to tell about their garden and their interest in daylilies.

Ferguson Fantasy Flowers—Scott and Linda Ferguson

Omaha, Nebraska

We started the day with Linda and Scott Ferguson. In addition to seeing 'Linda's Big Red Tower' (Ferguson-L. 2015), we learned that Scott has crossed 'Awesome Candy' (Stamile 2000) with 'Black Eyed Susan' (Stevens-D.1983). Both are shade tolerant, and Scott hopes the cross results in a shade-tolerant daylily.



Right: Linda and Scott Ferguson—here with Rocket, their 6-year old Miniature Schnauzer—share their enthusiasm for daylilies and for hybridizing during their Open Garden. Linda is currently President of the Nebraska Daylily Society.
(photo by Joan Zettel)



Above: Visitors saw this as a seedling, now registered as *H. 'True Blue Scott'* (Ferguson-L. 2019) Named for Linda's husband. *(photo by Kathy Lamb)*



Above: *H. 'Linda's Big Red Tower'* (Ferguson-L. 2015) greets visitors at the entry. *(photo by Linda Ferguson).*



Below: *H. 'Rodelinda'* (Maryott 2008) *(photo by Joan Zettel)*



Right: New Linda Ferguson registrations
Upper right: *H. 'Theo'* (2019), a 41" tall daylily named for Linda's youngest grandson, who may be a tall young man, with a mom who is 6' and a dad who is 6' 7" tall!

Lower right: *H. 'Charming Aila'* (2019) Named for Linda's oldest granddaughter.
(photos by Kathy Lamb)





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Top row, #1. Colorful daylilies welcome visitors to Linda and Scott Ferguson's neatly tended garden, *Ferguson Fantasy Flowers*. (photo by Kathy Lamb)

The garden featured several Jamie Gossard introductions

Top row, #2: *H. 'Heavenly Angel Ice'* (Gossard 2004) (photo by Kathy Lamb)

Middle row, #3. *H. 'Blue Swallowtail'* (Gossard 2013) (photo by Joan Zettel)

The Ferguson collection includes introductions from many Region One hybridizers, including:

#4. *H. 'Dakota Velvet'*, by South Dakota's Suzanne Karl (2015)

#5. *H. 'Chasing the Dragon'*, by Iowa's Phil Fass (2014)

(both photos by Joan Zettel)

Patterns, eyes, and fancy edges are well represented.

Bottom row, left to right:

#6. *H. 'Jinxy'* (DeCaire 2011) (photo by Joan Zettel);

#7. *H. 'Blue Wrangler'* (Pierce-G. 2012) (photo by Joan Zettel);

#8. *H. TrueNorth Rocketman'* (Hobbs-T.A. 2018) (photo by Kathy Lamb)

Below: Linda Ferguson hosts an AHS Daylily Display Garden. (photo by Lyle Moen)



Hansen's Daylily Haven—Dave and Val Jean Hansen

Papillion, Nebraska

Dave and Val Jean Hansen are prolific hybridizers and have been active members of the Nebraska Daylily Society for many years. (photo by Joan Zettel)

Dave and Val Jean Hansen are prolific hybridizers aiming for lots of teeth in their daylilies. New crosses are named for great grandchildren, and we were able to see 'Avianna Grace' (2016) in full bloom. Many of their plants were in the other Nebraska gardens on tour.



Dave and Val Jean Hansen are prolific hybridizers and have been active members of the Nebraska Daylily Society for many years. (photo by Joan Zettel)



Above: A grouping displays several smaller daylily cultivars, including (left to right) 'Country Bouquet' (Salter-E.H. 2002), 'Lil' Red Wagon' (Kinnebrew-J. 2003), and 'Spacecoast Tiny Perfection' (Kinnebrew-J. 1998); Below: Companion plants and garden decor accent perennial beds. (both photos by Lyle Moen)



Left:
H. 'Papiro Shelli Mae'
(Hansen-D.V. 2013)
(photo by Kathy Lamb)

Below:
Color fills the Hansen garden
(photo by Lyle Moen).



Garden decor added charming touches.
(photo by Kathy Lamb)

Bob and Joanne Langabee Garden

Bellevue, Nebraska

Bob and Joanne Langabee personalized their daylily and butterfly garden with a mix of perennials and light-hearted garden decor. (photo by Lyle Moen)

It was a daylily and butterfly display garden at the home of Bob and Joanne Langabee. I admired their 'The Rising Sun'™ Eastern Redbud tree (*Cercis canadensis*), which I saw in at least three other gardens during the two days of tour gardens. They met the challenge of deer proofing their yard and invited guests to sit on the patio by the garden stream. Dozens of Painted Lady butterflies were visiting the garden with us.



Bob and Joanne Langabee personalized their daylily and butterfly garden with a mix of perennials and light-hearted garden decor.



Bob and Joanne Langabee



Above: A row of containers features summer succulents.



Above: A trio of toads overlook a waterfall in the Langabee water garden.



Above: Painted Lady butterflies join a metal sculpture cousin among Echinacea and other butterfly plants in the Langabee garden.



Left: A Tiger Swallowtail Butterfly frequents the Langabee butterfly garden.

(All photos on this page by Lyle Moen)

Mary Baker's Garden— Mary and Rich Baker
Omaha, Nebraska

I was able to see 'Driving Through Des Moines' and 'Omaha Sunshine' when we visited the garden of Mary and Rich Baker. A newly-landscaped back yard provided more planting area and nice grass paths. I made note of the flower combinations in pots on the front step that attract hummingbirds. Mary is another hybridizer with her plants in other gardens as well.



Above: Rich and Mary Baker, with their daughter Melanie Baker McCain and husband Luke McCain (photo by Kathy Lamb)

Mary grows daylilies from a wide range of hybridizers. These pages highlight introductions, future introductions, and seedlings from her hybridizing program. (All photos on this page except for top right by Mary Baker)

Below, left to right:

H. 'Driving Through Des Moines' (Baker-M. 2013)

H. 'Elephant in the Room' (Baker-M. 2019), a new eye-catching intro.

H. 'Mary Barbara' (Baker-M. 2020), selected by Mary's mother to be her namesake just before she passed.



Mary Baker's Garden begins in the front yard, wraps around both sides, and fills the back yard with daylilies and companion plants.



Below left: Partial view of the backyard gardens filled with daylilies and companion plants

Below right: A future registration by Mary Baker—seedling 1567E ('Zola's Tribute to Mary Baker' X 'Cardinal Kisses')





1. *H.* 'Fractured Heart' (David Kirchoff-Mary Baker 2020); Mary aims for clear, sunfast reds with brilliant green throats in her seedlings, as shown here.
2. A future introduction—Mary Baker seedling 1535FS ('Needles in a Haystack' X 'Piranha')
3. Mary Baker seedling 1543 ('Sean Michael' X 'Hoochie Coochie Man'), a future introduction
4. Mary Baker seedling 17020 ('Cardinal Kisses' X 'Sean Michael')
5. Mary Baker seedling 1520B ("Dragon Nation" X 'One Hot Mama'), a possible future introduction
6. *H.* 'Sean Michael' (Baker-M. 2013), named for Rich & Mary's son

7. *H.* 'Bison Blizzard' (Baker-M. 2020)
Near-white daylilies with green throats are another goal in Mary's program.

8. *H.* 'Omaha Sunshine' (Kaskel-Baker 2005)
A bright early-season tetraploid with 4" flowers and a dark green throat.

(photos 1–8 by Mary Baker)



9. Stone steps guide visitors through lush borders of daylilies and companion plants. (photo by Mike Lamb); 10. Mary and Rich Baker (photo by Lyle Moen)

The Doug Bremers Garden

Omaha, Nebraska

Doug Bremers created tiers of daylily beds up the steep slope of his backyard, creating a vista of daylily beauty to enjoy from the patio.

Doug Bremers explained how to edge a flower bed. His was a perfectly manicured garden. The beautiful terraced back yard was filled with daylilies of his own and others. He admitted having some sentimental favorites. New to me was 'Blufftop Volunteer' (Steffenhagen 2006).



Doug Bremers shows visitors the upper display beds. (photo by Mike Lamb)



Above, top: *H.* 'Blufftop Volunteer' (Steffenhagen 2006) (photo by Lyle Moen)

Above, bottom: *H.* 'Heman' (Gossard 2007)
A UF with a toothy 9" bloom; this Honorable Mention winner grew in several gardens. (photo by Kathy Lamb)



Left, top: Stone steps lead to tiered beds up the steep slope of the back yard.

Bottom shows the view from the paved patio.

(photos by Mike Lamb)



Above: Guests enjoy the patio at the Doug Bremers garden. (photo by Lyle Moen)

Below top: A profusion of bloom surrounds the patio in the Doug Bremers Garden. (photo by Mike Lamb)

Below bottom: Looking up at the tiers from the patio (photo by Lyle Moen)



Above right, top: *H. 'Cool Composure'* (Pierce-G. 2017) A fragrant 8" tetraploid with 35 buds and 5-way branching (photo by Kathy Lamb)

Above right, *H. 'Halloween Green'* (Herrington-T. 2011) (photo by Lyle Moen)

I encourage you to visit and experience the Open Gardens each year. It's an opportunity to have a personalized tour at your own pace.

—Nancy Rash



Below: A wide array of forms and color dazzled visitors at the Doug Bremers garden. (photo by Joan Zettel)



Bryce Farnsworth Memorial at NDSU

A Friend Remembered ...

By Joan Zettel, *Historic Daylily Garden Liaison*
Breckenridge, Minnesota

On September 5, 2019, over 200 people gathered to remember Bryce Farnsworth and his contributions to the North Dakota State University (NDSU) Historic and Modern Daylily Display Gardens. Speakers included NDSU President, Dean Bresciani; Vice President of Agricultural Affairs, Greg Lardy; Head of the Department of Plant Sciences, Rich Horsley; Professor and Potato Breeder Asunta “Susie” L. Thompson; and Associate Professor Esther McGinnis—all representing NDSU.

Per Professor McGinnis: “Bryce was very instrumental in the founding of the NDSU daylily garden and its subsequent expansion.... He passed away last fall and we are still grieving his loss.” [news, NDSU Agriculture Communication, Aug. 30, 2019).

www.ag.ndsu.edu/news/newsreleases/2019/aug-26-2019/ndsu-plant-sciences-department-to-host-garden-event

Mary Baker and I spoke on behalf of the American Daylily Society, and NDSU introduced a new plaque in honor of Bryce that says,

*In Memory of Bryce Farnsworth
Whose love of daylilies helped establish this garden.
Honor his memory by enjoying the beauty
of each day.*

The plaque will remind visitors of Bryce’s accomplishments for years to come. The plaque itself was a gift from the Central North Dakota Daylily Society (CNDDS), and President Lisa Schmidt was in attendance representing the group.

Bryce hybridized many daylilies, but he never registered any of his daylily seedlings. In Bryce’s honor, I registered (as Farnsworth-Zettel) a favorite diploid seedling of his as ‘Fargo Golden Glitter’. An extra-early bloomer, it has 2” flowers on 32” scapes and reblooms. The description will read: “Rich



Above: This plaque, donated by the Central North Dakota Daylily Society, will remind visitors of Bryce’s accomplishments for years to come.

dark yellow with tiny green throat, lightly diamond dusted, upward facing, trumpet shaped form.

This was a special seedling to Bryce, and he showed it off every chance he could. ‘Fargo Golden Glitter’ happened to be in bloom on the evening of the Memorial. Just as a group of people were viewing it, the clouds parted and the sun peeked out, so everyone could see the diamond dusting glitter in the sun. It was truly a magical moment! (Bryce, were you smiling at us?)

NDSU would like to thank all the people who donated daylilies to the NDSU Display Gardens in memory of Bryce Farnsworth. They would also like to thank Lisa Schmidt for coordinating this effort and for transporting plants from the regional meetings and national conventions. They are very thankful to the Central North Dakota Daylily Society for donating the exquisite plaque in Bryce’s honor.



Remembering Bryce Farnsworth

by Mary Baker
Omaha, Nebraska

I met Bryce in 2000 during my first term as AHS Region One Vice President (RVP). He was passionate about North Dakota State University's (NDSU) historic daylily, iris, AAS, and other plant collections. In 2002, Bryce contacted me to save them from demolition.

Our efforts were successful and resulted in a brand-new alternate campus entrance with a larger space for all of the relocated gardens.

NDSU's historic daylily collection in Fargo became the first public AHS Historic Daylily Display Garden. Bryce served as liaison for NDSU's historic and modern daylily display gardens until his death. His personal home garden was also an AHS Display Garden. Bryce mentored those new to daylilies and welcomed them with open arms. I was honored to name one of my best daylilies 'Bryce Farnsworth' (Baker-M. 2013).



Above: Mary Baker at the Bryce Farnsworth Memorial Presentation, NDSU (Fargo), September 5, 2019, here with the exquisite plaque donated by the Central North Dakota Daylily Society.

Right: H. 'Bryce Farnsworth', by Mary Baker (2013), is named in honor of Bryce. (photo by Mary Baker)



In addition to his work with NDSU plant collections and display gardens, Bryce spent years working with potatoes at NDSU—planting, harvesting, pollinating, and tasting. Despite all the potato taste tests, he never tired of eating them! Bryce also created beautiful floral displays for NDSU's Harvest Bowls and other events.

Bryce's work at NDSU and with daylilies received wide recognition. He received the Prairie Garden Award for Excellence in 2003 (the first non-Canadian recipient) and the AHS Region One Service Award in 2009. He became Region One Historian in 2002 and a Garden Judge in 2005, continuing until his death. He faithfully attended annual regional meetings until 2018, when hospitalization with pneumonia forced him to stay home.

Bryce was a close friend, intelligent, with a heart of gold and a wonderful sense of humor. We often spoke on the phone, and each year he and I were bus mates during Region One meetings. I talked to him just a couple of days before he passed away on Thursday, September 13, 2018. I miss him!



ADS Region One Club Reports

From the Editor

Club reports and photos for the spring Daylily Pioneer are due by March 1, 2020!

Thank you, club presidents, for your reports. Readers like to hear about Region One clubs! Stay connected! Send the Editor news about your members and activities for the next issue of *The Daylily Pioneer*!

I did not receive a report from the North Central Dakota Daylily Society, so we will have to catch up in the spring issue of *The Daylily Pioneer*!

The Cedar Valley Iris and Daylily Society (CVIDS)

<http://cvids.org/>

The Cedar Valley Iris and Daylily Society celebrated a membership increase in 2019, and we mourned the loss of Charter Member Gerald Hobbs. Gerald registered 57 daylilies and he shared seedlings, knowledge and a smile with all he met.



Gerald Hobbs (Fort Madison, Iowa) was a Charter Member of CVIDS and registered 57 daylilies.

(photo by Lyle Moen)

Two major areas of focus for CVIDS were improving the care and cultivation of our club plants and preparation for the 2020 Region One Meeting.

CVIDS will host the 2020 Region One Meeting July 10–12, 2020 at the Hotel Kirkwood in Cedar Rapids, IA. Chair Keith Riewerts has held 2020 Planning Meetings each month prior to the noon potluck for all members to be involved in the excitement and planning process.

We invite you to join us for “2020—A Perfect Daylily Vision.”

CVIDS holds meetings with programs in the months of January, February, March, April and October. In May our Spring Plant Sale is in partnership with the Muscatine County Master Gardener’s and the Muscatine Garden Club

and is open to the public. It is a successful partnership and fund raiser for the three groups. May is also the month for the Club Plant Distribution. Qualifying members receive a newly hybridized daylily, grow it for two years, and return the increase to the club. The April meeting program focused on the care of the daylily given to qualifying members to increase



The Moffit garden was open during the CVIDS Open Garden Tour.

(photo by Lyle Moen)

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the success of plant survival and fan increase. There was an emphasis to share information about iris and make them available to club members.

In July, CVIDS members posted their open garden times, and members were able to make their own route to see the gardens of fellow members. Many CVIDS members attended the regional meeting and national convention in July also. the success of plant survival and fan increase. There was an emphasis to share information about iris and make them available to club members.

On August 24, all CVIDS members were working at full capacity. The Fall Plant Sale that's open to the public began the day. Club members brought daylilies, iris and other perennials for sale. During the morning, CVIDS members were returning club plants that were "won" in the silent auction and returning plants to be sold in a live auction. A "behind the scenes" crew works to sort and prepare for the silent and live auction. The board met to address next year's planning, and then it was a noon potluck followed by a club meeting and the live auction. Much is accomplished in one long day in August. All members contribute to the success of the day.

The 9th Annual Hybridizer's Roundup was organized by Jonathan Poulton with seven members presenting the results of their hybridizing program. We are always impressed with the magic of hybridizing.

The CVIDS Fall Banquet is the celebration of our 2019 year. The November Fall Banquet begins with a social time and members view and vote for the entries in the Betty Miller Photo Contest. CVIDS has a tradition of inviting renowned hybridizers to be the banquet speaker. The highlight of the day was the presentation by Phil Korth of Pinewood Gardens, (Suamico WI).

Club leadership positions are confirmed. The Cedar Valley Iris and Daylily Society appreciates and recognizes the tireless and detailed work of Jonathan Poulton. He will be "retiring" from two valuable club positions. Jonathan has given nine years of leadership to the Hybridizer's Roundup, organizing and presenting each year. Jonathan was the club Webmaster for 11 years and we applaud him for creating the website, keeping it up to date as well as preserving the records of the club on the website. We are grateful to Jonathan for his years of service and leadership in the Cedar Valley Iris and Daylily Society.

Nancy Rash

President, Cedar Valley Iris and Daylily Society



Nebraska Daylily Society (NDS)

nebraskadaylilysociety.com

The Nebraska Daylily Society started the year with a very icy and snowy drive to the Columbus Community Center for our January meeting, hosted by Bobbie Uhlmann. We began the meeting with refreshments and a social hour where everyone caught up with each other since the previous August meeting. Mary Baker presented her hybridizing program during the meeting.

In May, NDS met in Lincoln, which included the presentation of club plants from Eric Simpson to over 20 members who had attended all four club meetings the previous year or who had attended at least three meetings and earned the required number of service points received a club plant. We held an auction of plants donated by club members plus some of Eric's plants as well. Hosts included Robin Lowe, Scott Keller, George and Sarah Green, Kay Roberts, and Mark and Jenny Cich.

We also held a plant sale at Lauritzen Gardens in May. The funds we raised are for a club scholarship that NDS awards to one student who is working toward a degree in some aspect of horticulture.

NDS hosted the ADS Region One summer meeting July 4-7 in Omaha. In recognition of the Fourth of July, our theme was "Fireworks in the Gardens." Tom and Mary Keast, Phyllis McIntosh, Rita and Lyle Kahnk, and Nancy Lee Anderson hosted tour gardens. Mary and Rich Baker, Linda and Scott Ferguson, Dave and Val Jean Hansen, Bob and Joanne Langabee, and Doug Bremers held Open Gardens.

Many of our members traveled to Wisconsin to attend the ADS National Convention in Middleton. Attending a National Convention was a first for several members.

We held our August meeting in Sioux City with speaker Paul Owen from Slightly Different Nursery. The unexpected closing of the Sioux City airport for resurfacing that weekend meant Paul had to fly into Omaha and ride to and from Sioux City with club members. He gave a great presentation and brought many wonderful daylilies for our club auction. Members also brought daylilies for an auction to benefit the club. Peggy Hanner and Karla Kluver hosted the meeting. We gained seven new members at this meeting, which was great!

Linda Ferguson

President, Nebraska Daylily Society



Central Iowa Daylily Society (CIDS)

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First of all, CIDS congratulates our own Nan Ripley for having 'Scarlet Pimpernel' win the 2019 Stout Silver Medal! We are so proud of you, Nan!



Curt Hanson of Crintonic Gardens gave an awesome presentation

CIDS had another busy year. One of the highlights every year is Pollen Dabbers. We held our first Pollen Dabbers meeting in 1998, making it 21 years old! In the past, we held the meeting in March, but in 2019—due to wintry weather concerns—we changed the meeting to September. We were pleased to have a good turnout for our first fall meeting on September 13–14, featuring Curt Hanson as our speaker.

Curt was awesome and had a great presentation, which of course was no surprise. We auctioned off lots of plants. For lunch, we had a Mexican buffet—which went over very well—and tables were full of all kinds of goodies (food is always important!). Lots of mingling and sharing of info both days. We had guests from Nebraska, Kansas, Illinois, Minnesota, Ohio, Wisconsin and Iowa. We will continue to hold Pollen Dabbers in the fall.

CIDS members Nan Ripley and Phil Fass at Pollen Dabbers



Steve Horan and Kathleen Nordstrom traveled from Minnesota.



Barb and Bob Papenhausen, Pollen Dabbers guests from Illinois



Above: Gathering for Mary Baker's CIDS October presentation. Left-to-right, Selwyn Rash, Don Lovell, Nan Ripley, Rich Baker, Mary Baker, and Phil Fass (This photo is by Ginny Geetings; all other CIDS photos submitted by Don Lovell)

For our February meeting, Harvey Buchite spoke about peonies; in March, Tim Morrissey's talk was "Hybridizing Tetraploids with Emphasis on Purples"; in April, Wanda Lunn presented "Weaving Plant Collections into a Garden"; in June, Keith Reiwerts presented "A Chorus of Color"; and in October, Mary Baker presented "The Reluctant Hybridizer." We'll end the year with our Holiday Party in November.

Don Lovell
President, Central Iowa Daylily Society



Daylily Society of Minnesota (DSM)

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Our main speaker for our March General Meeting was Dave Mussar, from Guelph Ontario, Canada (Hillside Gardens). Dave has several interesting patterned introductions, such as 'Spots and Stripes' (2018) and 'Spot the Dot' (2018). Steve Horan presented "Gardening with Ornamental Grasses," always a crowd favorite. The meeting was held at Bachman's in Minneapolis. The fall meeting will be held on Sunday Nov 10th at Bachman's and features Nan Ripley, daylily hybridizer and master gardener from Iowa whose daylily 'Scarlet Pimpernel' (2006) won the 2019 Stout Silver Medal.

At the Dig and Sale, members bring cultivars from their gardens and the group divides, cleans, and labels the fans to be sold the next day at our daylily sale. This year the cleaning was held again at the Deer Haven Garden owned by Bill and Dory Lidinsky in Ham Lake, MN, on May 18. Once again the weather was cold and damp, but spirits were high as we all worked hard to prepare the plants for sale. At the Dig, we distributed adoption plants as well to those individuals who had signed up in the previous fall. The sale was held Sunday May 19 at Bachman's in Minneapolis, directed by Jenn Lanz. DSM uses proceeds from the sale for the annual garden tour and to bring speakers to our twice yearly meetings.



A water feature added a peaceful oasis at Munsinger Gardens.

The weather was beautiful on July 21 for our annual garden tour. Starting in Maple Grove, MN, our comfortable bus took us to St. Cloud, where we spent a wonderful hour visiting the Clemson-Munsinger Public Gardens. These gardens contain many perennials, including daylilies (of course), annuals, trees and shrubs, and a dedicated rose garden, all in a well-maintained area bordering the Mississippi River.

From there we stopped at The 400 Club where we were treated to an amazing buffet with lunch and breakfast foods galore.



**At right and below:
First stop on the DSM
garden tour was
Clemson-Munsinger
Public Gardens in St.
Cloud, Minnesota.**



Brunch stop at the 400 Club on Pleasant Lake.



Our last stop took us to Eden Valley, MN, where we visited the garden of Kyle Billadeau. Kyle graciously showed us through her new garden filled with daylilies, including her own seedlings. Kyle balances her daylilies with a hosta garden, annuals, and a delightful fairy garden.

After eating more treats and visiting with Kyle, we loaded the bus and rode back to our Maple Grove meeting place. This trip was equally wonderful due to seeing some new people and some long-standing daylily club members that we have not seen in a few years.

(all photos for the DSM club report by Mike Lamb)

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Club members explore Kyle Billadeau's new garden in Eden Valley, Minnesota.



Jenn Lanz and husband/bus driver Steve Lanz review the route.

Our Off-Scape Show was held July 28 in the stately Snyder Auditorium at the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum. We had a display of over 200 daylily blooms, including named cultivars and seedlings. The variety of colors, shapes, and sizes amazed our visitors. A core group of Daylily Society of MN members were available to answer questions and encourage visitors to vote for their favorite cultivar and seedling. The cultivar winner was 'Halloween Dragon' (Selman 2016), which Jenn Lanz brought for display. Seedling winner was #0915, brought by Karol Emmerich.

To wrap up the summer, members and guests met at the Marriott Hotel in Plymouth for our final fund-raising event of the year as well as for fellowship with other daylily lovers. The event included a large selection of silent auction items, including garden and home décor and themed baskets. We also held a photo contest, where members submitted photos in five different categories for the contest display. Attendees voted for their favorite photograph in each category, with winning photographers winning prizes. After dinner, Kyle Billadeau and Mike Grossmann conducted a daylily plant auction featuring donated daylilies from members and hybridizers.

Dory Lidinsky
President, Daylily Society of Minnesota



New and Returning Members

Welcome to all new and returning members! Have more fun and jump in to participate! Attend a symposium this winter to learn about daylilies. Share your skills as a volunteer. Plan to spruce up your garden for a tour or to become an ADS Daylily Display Garden. Meet daylily friends at club meetings. The door is always open!

- Susan Becker, Le Mars IA
- Peggy Boe, Memoken ND
- Audrey Boe-Olson, Turtle Lake ND
- Katrina Deyoung-Harper, Faribault, MN
- Mary Jo Duffy, Iowa City, IA
- Ronald Falk, Minnetonka, MN
- Jo Ellen Funk
- Dorothy Lunning, Iowa City IA
- Gerry Miller, Dubuque, IA
- Carolyn Parsons, Minneapolis MN
- Sandra Rustad, Braham MN
- Rinthea Satterlee, Williamsburg IA
- David & Linette Sorrentino, Chaska MN
- Mary Veldman, Manitoba CN
- Abby Volden, Clitherall MN
- James Webb, Andover MN
- Lloyd & Patti Weber, Fridley MN
- Michelle Westphal, Waterloo IA
- Gary White, Lincoln NE
- Becky & Bruce Whitaker
- Barry Whiteaker, Bloomington MN
- Kathleen Wiese, Bismarck ND
- Bob Wilson, Knoxville IA
- Kristen Wintheiser
- Kenneth Wolff, North Mankato MN
- Cindy & Robert Woolam

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