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Region 11

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# In this issue...

This issue has taken longer than I had planned to get laid out and to the printer. Following our Regional Meeting in July I had surgery on my right hand and it ended up taking much longer to recover than what the doctor led me to believe. Then school started and the proverbial “all hell broke loose” is putting it mildly. But here we are!

Our summer meeting was a huge success. It was great to see daylily friends from across the region and to be able to catch up on how people have navigated the past year. This issue contains participants thoughts and plenty of pictures for those who were unable to attend.

*Christopher E. Renner*



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# Regional Director

- by *Sue Calbreath*

The ADS Board Meeting was held in conjunction with the ADS Convention in Hattiesburg MS. The most important thing that came out of the meeting which affected the membership was how joining ADS changed. Beginning now no matter when you join, you get an entire year of benefits. For example, if you join in October, your membership is not due for renewal till the following October instead of at the beginning of the calendar year. The new member will now get all 4 issues of The Daylily Journal. This is a big change which should encourage people to join ADS.

The other exciting thing we found out when Scott visited the regional dealt with Conventions. Scott informed me that the ADS Board had approved the next 2 convention sites following Asheville. We now have convention sites through 2024. The sites are as follows: 2022 - Asheville, NC, 2023 - Nashville, TN and 2024 - Oklahoma City, OK. We are excited about 2024 which will be Region 11's turn to shine. It will take all of us to help the Oklahoma City club. Be ready to volunteer when Michael Kowalchuk asks for our help.

This was a special convention for me. My daughter helped me out and drove me to Hattiesburg. She finally saw what her dad and I did when we went to a convention. She met some of my MO and GA friends. She loved the tours and even ordered some daylilies. She has been touched by the daylily bug and is planning to attend the Asheville Convention with me. Yeah!! Enjoy your mornings seeing new daylily flowers.



## 2022 National Convention

The dates for the 2022 convention hosted by the Western North Carolina Daylily Club are Wednesday–Saturday, July 6–9, 2022, at the Asheville Crown Plaza Resort and Expo Center.

The Asheville area is surrounded by the Appalachian Mountains which provide for an abundance of things to explore and do.

Registration is \$289, if made before 6/03/2022. Online registration can be made by visiting [AHS2022national.com](http://AHS2022national.com). Complete information about scheduled events, gardens that will be toured, and other attractions is also available at this website. Registration is limited to 450 people.

Hotel reservations can be made by calling 844-330-0296. When calling, use the group code “American Daylily Society” to receive the \$149 (2 queen beds) or \$164 (king bed) convention rates. Reservations can also be made online through the above website. The Crowne Plaza also hosts Adelaide Spa with a variety of massage, facial and body treatments to choose from.

Tour gardens include: Blue Ridge Daylilies (Robert Selman and Eric Simpson), Trillium Fall Garden (Jim and Judi Efland), Sacred Circle Farm (John Leonard), and Faer Hill Gardens (Joel Cole).

Additional attractions include the Biltmore Estate, the Great Smoke Mountains National Park and the Appalachian Trail, Chimney Rock Park, the North Carolina Arboretum, and the Cherokee Indian Reservation and its beautiful art gallery.

Planning ahead: the 2023 Daylily Convention will be held in Nashville, Tennessee, and the 2024 convention will be held in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.



# Regional President

## Expansion and Inclusion

- by Carol Schultz

Setting some intentions for my term as your president, I came up with the phrase “expansion and inclusion”. 2020 was a year of contracting and contemplation, 2021 and beyond can be years of expansion and inclusion. Your Executive Committee and local clubs are all expanding, with new ways of connecting, new ideas for programs, and taking on the national ADS convention in 2024. We are working to include all ages with a new group of young people who are youth members as well as respecting and honoring those who are still learning how to use new technologies.

Including other clubs in your invitations to join online programs has been a gratifying aspect of our 2020 experience. Thanks to those clubs who have done this. Keep up the good work! Including other clubs with an invitation to your in-person programs is also a great way to share the experience of hearing a speaker in person.

I invite you to include yourself in a range of activities that Region 11 will embark upon. I am starting a new section called “I could do that!” For me the local and regional activities have to be fun. So, find your passion, and have some fun with others. Contact any of your regional officers (contact information is on pages 30 - 31) for more information about each project. We will be adding more as COHS determines how each club can assist with the national convention in 2024.

Speaking of “I could do that” way to help out on a regional level, we have several positions to fill in our

standing regional committees.

First, we need a person from Missouri and one from Kansas to fill the Nominating Committee.

Second, Eileen Garrison is stepping down as the Exhibition Judge Liaison. This position would preferably be filled by a Senior Exhibition Judge.

Third, we need a person from Kansas to replace the Amys on the Awards Committee.

Then, we need people to serve on the Internet Auction sub-committee; to help revise the Handbook for Regional Meetings; and, to help compile written “Standing Rules for Region 11 Operation.”

Don't hesitate to volunteer, you will have lots of help as you learn the ropes.

What a great regional meeting we had in Manhattan. After experiencing the lockdown of 2020 and all that it entailed, it was wonderful to see daylily friends again. It truly was “Together Again”.



## Region 11 Online Auction

- by Nancy Rold

I have stepped up to be the point person for the 2022 regional online auction. We are teaming with Jacob Braun, AHS Technology chair, to use his auction website to reach well beyond our own region. This is an exciting opportunity!

The Region needs our members and hybridizers to donate to this effort. Please look in your gardens **NOW** for possible donations and line them out so next spring they are easy to dig and ship. This will be an excellent opportunity for our hybridizers to get your introductions widely seen and distributed! Many buyers seek these auctions to discover the hidden treasures of local and backyard hybridizers.

But regional crafters and artists can also get in on the action by donating daylily-related items for the auction. Do you know local vendors or out-of-region folks who might be willing to donate something? Downsizing? Out-of-print books about daylilies and gardening are often hot items on online auctions.

I will put you in contact with the winners of the auction. Buyers will pay a set shipping fee which the region will use to reimburse donors.

If you can donate to this effort, please send the following information to Nancy by December 1 with **REGION !! AUCTION** as the subject line of your e-mail message: Name of item, description, starting bid (we will use \$20.00 as a minimum), earliest date you can ship, a photo of the donation, with your name and contact information (e-mail and telephone number). **Send to: Nancy Rold, dlily01@aol.com. Don't e-mail? Call me at: 573-881-5390.**

# PR Director

## Reaching New Members through Social Media

- **Christopher E. Renner, Regional Publicity Director**

Growing our membership requires constant outreach and staying abreast of the ever-changing world of social media. As I have talked about before, social attitudes are changing and “belonging” to an organization does not have the same appeal as it once did. We all want members to can give of their time and energy so our clubs can do a variety of engaging activities to promote our love of *hemerocallis*. But many people in the US are not looking for that sort of commitment today. The non-Baby Boomer generations are challenged with a variety of social factors - from stagnant salaries to a roller coaster housing market - that Baby Boomers did not have to face. As a result, their approach to “joining” is very different from how people born before 1964 approach organizational commitments.

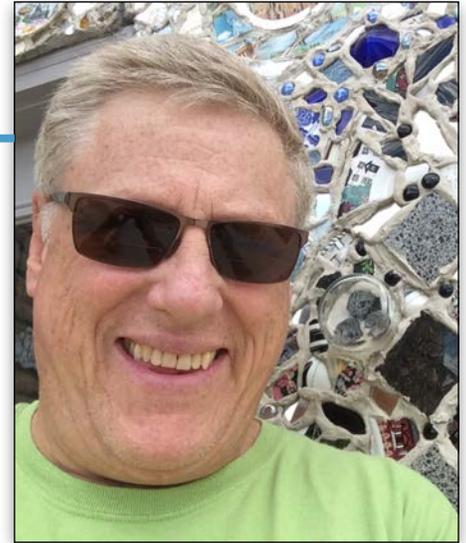
Our clubs need to have two forms of communication: internal and external. Internal communication is for those who are members and who need to know what is going on with the organization. Email lists, Facebook groups, Twitter feeds, and old-fashioned phone calls can provide that communication. External communication is directed at those who are not members of our clubs, but who are interested in *daylilies*, just not as passionately as an AHS member might be. Facebook Pages provides a retail platform and a means to promote club events to the broader public though building **brand awareness**.

Building brand awareness is a new challenge to many organizations like AHS - I’m sure many readers are saying to themselves: “we aren’t a brand!” But the fact of the matter is, we are. Our annual sales, shows, and events, are all ways our *brand* is promoted to the broader public. Being active on social media helps others know who we are, what we offer, and keeps your organization’s name on people’s minds. The more exposure your club has, the more likely you are to get people interested in checking out your brand’s content.

Growing our club’s mailing list, especially for club sales and educational events, can be done by adding a simple “Contact Us” button to your club’s webpage. These contacts should not be part of internal club communication, but get a notice when a sale or educational event is happening. No one wants to be inundated with internal communication if they are not part of the organization. It means club secretaries need to compile and maintain lists of contacts, but platforms like Constant Contact or Mailchimp can make maintaining club lists easier.

As per social media sites, **Facebook** with its 2.2 billion monthly active users (MAUs) is the largest social media

site around. All clubs should have a Facebook Page to use to promote club sales and events. Just remember that when you are creating content for your Page, that it is optimized for mobile devices as 94% of Facebook’s users access Facebook via the mobile app. Facebook groups should be used for internal communication and be limited to only your club’s members.



**YouTube**, 1.9 billion MAUs, is a video-sharing platform where users watch a billion hours of videos everyday! Whenever your club is having a speaker, efforts should be made to record (which can be done with a simple tripod and a smart phone) and post the presentation to YouTube. Going to have a sale? Produce a 5-minute video with the who, what, where and when and make sure you include lots of gorgeous pictures of *daylilies*.

**Instagram** has 1 billion MAUs. It is a photo and video sharing social media platform that uses hashtags (#) to help identify content for its users. #hemerocallis has over 67,000 posting and #daylily has 185,000. #chicagolanddaylilysociety can provide our clubs with some great ideas on how to use this platform to promote club sales and events. I personally enjoy Instagram much more than Facebook. I can be found at #cristoforodamaratea.

**Tumblr** is a microblogging and social networking site for sharing text, photos, videos, and more. Having operated a blog for five years, it requires at least weekly content uploading to be effective.

**Twitter** has 335 million MAUs and what makes it different from other social media platforms is that it has a strong emphasis on real-time information. Twitter only allows 280 characters in a tweet and is often used as a customer service channel.

**Pinterest**, 250 million MAUs, is where people go to discover new things. Having a Pinterest presence could help get more people to club sales and events.

As with all social media platforms, we need members who can volunteer to manage the account and make sure content stays fresh. Stale content never attracts new followers.

# Regional Treasurer Report

## 2022 Budget and Finances

-by Chris Tyler, ADS Region 11 Treasurer

E-mail: adsregion11treasurer@gmail.com

The financial reports for the first six months of 2021 show very little activity as the Winter Gathering was cancelled due to the ongoing lockdowns due to COVID. The only revenue for the first half of the year was from donations as no plant auctions were completed. On the plus side, the only expenses were for the production and mailing of the MoKanOk. I would expect to see a more normal second half of the year in terms of financial activity.

Thank you to all Region 11 Daylily societies/Clubs that donated baskets to the Regional summer meeting in Manhattan. The winners were lucky enough to take home baskets of every size all with creative themes loaded with a bounty of treasures. Thanks to your hard work and wonderful donations the region raised \$1000 to benefit the production of our MOKANOK!

As you all know, the Region 11 Budget for 2021 was presented and approved at the recent Summer Meeting in Manhattan. It is showing a deficiency for the upcoming year, so a robust plant auction/sale would greatly offset that deficit. Thanks to all of you who indicated you would like to help put on an auction later this year.



## Financial Report (Financial activity as of 06/30/21)

		Budgeted Income	Budgeted Expense	Actual Income	Actual Expense
Financial Activity		2021	2021	2021	2021
MoKanOk	AHS Postage	\$350.00			
	Advertising				
	Interest	\$5.00		\$0.25	
	Donations - Clubs	\$4,500.00		\$500.00	
	Donations - Individuals/ Memorials	\$200.00			
	Basket Auction at Regional Meetings	\$2,000.00			
	MoKanOk Printing/Mailing		-\$4,500.00		-\$2,262.00
	MoKanOk Production		-\$2,400.00		-\$800.00
	MoKanOk Supplies		-\$100.00		
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$7,055</b>	<b>-\$7,000</b>	<b>\$500.25</b>	<b>-\$3,062.00</b>

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# Regional Treasurer Report

		Budgeted Income	Budgeted Expense	Actual Income	Actual Expense
<b>Internet Auction</b>	Internet Auction		\$300.00		
<b>Winter Gathering</b>	Registration Fees	\$4,500.00			
	Live & Silent Auction	\$5,000.00			
	Travel & Hotels - Presenters		-\$1,000.00		
	WG Auction Plants		-\$1,500.00		
	WG Hotel Cost		-\$2,500.00		
	WG catering				
	Honoraria - Presenters				
	Printing and supplies		-\$250.00		
	WG Shipping		-\$500.00		
	Photo Contest		-\$500.00		
<b>Total</b>		\$9,500	-\$6,250.00		
<b>General</b>	Youth Members encouragement		-\$500.00		
	Travel - Director		-\$1,500.00		
	Travel - President		-\$500.00		
	Awards		-\$75.00		
	AHS Insurance		-\$125.00		
	Website		\$200.00		
	Treasurer's expense		-\$50.00		
	General supplies				-\$57.94
<b>Subtotal</b>		\$16,555.00	-\$2,950.00	\$500.25	\$57.94
	Assistance for Regional Meeting Hosts		\$5,000.00		
<b>Totals</b>		\$16,555.00	<b>-\$21,500.00</b>	\$500.25	<b>-\$3,119.94</b>



## Minutes of AHS Region 11 Executive Board

### **- Respectfully submitted for Laura Hood, Secretary, by Carol (Seajay) Mock**

The meeting took place during the summer regional meeting at the Four Points Sheraton in Manhattan, Kansas, on Friday, July 9, 2021.

Those present were: Scott Elliott, ADS President; Sue Calbreath, Region 11 Director; Carol Schultz, Region 11 President; Christopher Renner, Region 11 Publicity Director and MoKanOk Editor; Chris Tyler, Region 11 Treasurer; Lois Hart, Winter Gathering Manger and New Member Liaison; Michael Bouman, Region 11 Hybridizer Liaison and ADS Portal Liaison; Michael Kowalchyk, Webmaster; Terry Lopp, Youth Committee Chair; Ashton Lopp; Ann Redmon; and Carol Mock (standing in for Laura Hood, Secretary).

President Carol Schultz called the meeting to order at 4:15 p.m.

The minutes of the 2019 meeting were approved as published in the MoKanOk.

Regional 11 Director, Sue Calbreath, noted that the ADS board meeting in Hattiesburg, Mississippi, was positive. The big change at ADS is that membership will now go for one year from the month the membership is instigated. Earl Watts, a well-known hybridizer in the Hattiesburg area named one of his daylilies in honor of past ADS President, Judy Branson. H Surburban Judy Branson will be sent to the Botanical Garden in Springfield, Missouri, to be included in the Ozark Daylily Society Daylily bed in the garden.

Oklahoma City has been approved for the ADS national meeting in Oklahoma City in 2024. Michael Kowalchyk and Terry Lopp will be Co-Coordiators with the ADS.

Carol Schultz reported on the awards given at the recent ADS National meeting in Hattiesburg, MS. Region 11 was well represented with our Service Award recipients, Steve and Jane Amy. Michael Bouman received a national award for "Best Article Featuring Historical Aspects" for his article in the MoKanOk entitled, "Oscie Whatley and the Modern Daylily". Certificates and awards for 2020 and previous years were given to the Regional Director for distribution. The Tricolor Award for 2019 was given to Judy Gotts of Central Oklahoma Hemerocallis Society for her entry in the design category. Bob Scott (2019 and 2020) and Michael Bouman (2019) achieved Honorable Mentions awards for daylilies they hybridized.

Treasurer, Chris Tyler, presented a report of Region 11 financial activity as of June 30, 2021, and the proposed budget for 2022. A lively discussion of ways to make more money to support Region 11 followed: successful online auctions in August and February would help—via the Lily Auction or Elaine Seifert's Daylilies and Seedlings Sales

Page on Facebook or Bobby Scott's website. ADS Webmaster, Jacob Braun, who also serves as Technology Chair at ADS, will assist Regions with Zoom meetings, auctions, and other technology. Scott Elliott noted that if individual gardeners would donate one or two newer plants, an online auction could earn thousands of dollars. Michael Bouman asked how many people know how to produce plants ready for auction; lining them out a year in advance so they are substantial, healthy plants, having them in a place where they can be easily dug for shipping, and using the Click-n-Ship services of US Post Office. Carol Schultz will set up a subcommittee to explore holding online auctions to benefit Region 11. This sub-committee could plan to meet in person at Winter Gathering 2022.

Regional Publicity Director and MoKanOk Editor, Christopher Renner, noted that information for the next MoKanOk issue must be received by July 18-19 for August publication. The last 2021 issue must go out in November to advertise the 2022 Winter Gathering and to beat the holiday mail. In 2020 the printer was backed up, delaying publication. After the next issue, if he feels it necessary, Christopher will form a sub-committee to explore whether Region 11 should switch to a different printer. Sundance, a printer in AZ which does the Daylily Journal, was mentioned. Christopher and Carol both expressed sentiments that our printing should be done within Region11.

Christopher reminded the group that the Region 11 Popularity Poll is available on-line. One suggestion was to bring a computer to a meeting prior to Sept.1 when the ballots are due to assist people with logging on to the popularity poll ballot.

### **Standing Committee reports:**

Youth Committee Chair, Terry Lopp, requested that the names of all the youth members in the region be sent to him as Youth Committee Chair.

Winter Gathering 2022 Manager, Lois Hart, noted that the next Winter Gathering will take place at the Drury Inn in Independence, MO during the President's Day weekend with the same caterer as in 2019. The dates fall on Feb. 18-21, 2022. The hotel will charge \$106 per room. Registration is set at \$89. Speakers will be announced later.

Christopher Renner gave the Garden Judges report. Garden Judges workshops need to be promoted vigorously. Without more Region 11 Garden Judges, regional hybridizers will seldom be able to 'move up the chain' of awards. The Garden Judges 1 workshop is available on-line.

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Hybridizer Liaison and ADS Portal Liaison, Michael Bouman, reported that the list of Region 11 hybridizers is updated annually. Please let him know who is currently an active hybridizer. The ADS Member Portal has languished as other social media has gained popularity. Awards balloting is possible via the Portal. Scott Elliott noted that Jacob Braun is going to change the software to something new.

Michael Bouman and Lois Hart have taken on the project of getting many Region 11 flowers for display in the tour gardens at the ADS national meeting in 2024 in Oklahoma City. This is an opportunity for Region 11 hybridizers to gain national recognition as national awards are given to flowers seen at the national convention. Lois Hart urged Region 11 hybridizers to nominate their introductions for specialty awards in 2024, which are given to daylilies that have been registered at least 5 years (i.e. 2019 or earlier).

Region 11 hybridizers should send these cultivars to Oklahoma City to be guest plants in the tour gardens so they can be well established by 2024.. They suggested that COHS appoint a person to coordinate into which Tour Gardens the guest plants are placed.

The Exhibition Judges report was given by Chris Tyler. In the workshop held today there were five students and four teachers. One student from Colorado and one from Nebraska attended this session. Exhibition Judge Workshop 1 is available on-line.

Webmaster Michael Kowalchuk reported that the Region 11 website will cost \$149.95 in 2022. It has been fairly active and looks good on mobile phones. Club Presidents

need to be reminded to send the list of officers and events to Michael.

### **New business:**

President, Carol Schultz, raised the issue of Region 11's standing rules. The By-Laws for each region are standard, following ADS guidelines. Standing rules are the standard operating procedures and motions made over the years. It appears that there is no written compilation of motions and standing rules for Region 11. Carol Schultz will begin compiling items for inclusion in a Region 11 Standing Rules document. Scott Elliott offered to send a copy of the Standing Rules for Region 5 to use as a template.

Scott Elliott clarified that only the Regional President is elected by the region - all the other officers are appointed by the Regional President. The Regional Director is an ADS office, not a regional office, although each region selects their Regional Director by ballot. The Region 11 By-Laws state that the Executive Committee for the region consists of the President, Treasurer, and Regional Publicity Director. The President can appoint others as members of the Executive Committee. Carol pointed out that she had invited all the heads of the Region 11 Standing Committees to attend this Executive Board meeting. Carol thanked the standing committee heads who did attend the board meeting as they are crucial to all the activities in the Region.

Since the national is in Region 11 in 2024, there will be no separate Region 11 summer meeting that year. The Region 11 annual meeting will be held at a specific announced time during the national meeting in Oklahoma City. One of the tour gardens will host the Ocie Whatley Seedling Bed. Meeting adjourned at 5:30 PM,

### **Save the Date: Summer Meeting 2022 June 17 - 19, Tulsa, OK**

Watch for more information in the Winter edition of the MoKanOk Daylily. If you have not already done so, submissions to the Ocie Whatley Seedling Competition need to be sent to: Bill Shoemaker, 206 North Main Street, Sand Springs, Ok, 74063. Tel. 918-261-8322.

# Regional News

## Club Officers Meeting

**- Respectfully submitted for Laura Hood, Secretary, by Kathy Pinkas**

President Carol Schultz called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm. Introductions were made.

Attending: Steve and Jane Amy, Co-Presidents Flint Hills Daylily Club, Region 11 Service Awards Co-Chairs; Michael Bouman, Region 11 Hybridizer Liaison and ADS Portal Liaison, Greater St. Louis Daylily Society; Sue Calbreath, VP Ozark Daylily Society and Region11 Director; Helen Fry, President Topeka Daylily Club; Lois Hart, Region 7 Director, ADS Publications, Region 11 Winter Gathering Manager and New Member Liaison, MoKan Daylily Society; Debra King, Secretary, Topeka Daylily Club; Michael Kowalchyk, Region 11 Webmaster; Central Oklahoma Hemerocallis Society; Bev Long, President Ozark Daylily Society; Terry Lopp, Youth Committee Chair, Central Oklahoma Hemerocallis Society; Mary Lou Lundblade, VP Wichita Daylily Club; Kathy Pinkas, President Greater St. Louis Daylily Society and ADS Publications Services Manager; Christopher Renner, Region 11 Publicity Director and MoKanOk Editor; Jean Rodgers, Tulsa Area Daylily Society; Carol Schultz, Region 11 President, Central Missouri Daylily Club; Bill Shoemaker, Tulsa Area Daylily Society; Ron Topping, President Mo-Kan Daylily Society; Chris Tyler, Region 11 Treasurer, Topeka Daylily Club; John Wieland, Co-Secretary Central Missouri Daylily Club; Josh Winzer, President Tulsa Area Daylily Society.

Sue Calbreath, Regional Director, reported on the latest from ADS National Level. All ADS memberships are now yearly. It is no longer based on the calendar year so everyone joining will receive 4 journals from the date they join.

Brenda Jindra is the Region 11 Historian. She was not present at the meeting but President, Carol Schultz, listed her duties and urged people to submit items to her for archival. The question was asked if records are now computerized. The answer is No, and this is a good project to consider

Michael Kowalczyk as webmaster said the MoKanOk is now being posted on the website but older ones are not on there. He reminded club officers to get their current club information to him to post as well as club activities. The old web page with John Eismann is now no longer in used. Information should be sent to ADSRegion11.org or contact Michael directly.

Michael Bouman is the Hybridizer Liaison. He is also working with ADS on missing pictures on the database.

Kathy Pinkas works as ADS Publication Services Manager and brought free previous journals to give away and books to purchase.

Christopher Renner as Regional Publicity Director and MoKanOK Editor reminded everyone the next deadline is July18 for articles. The Popularity Poll is online and easy to vote this way. The Region needs garden and exhibition judges. He also explained how daylilies move up to get awards and Region 11 has played a big part in this.

Lois Hart Director of Region 7, which currently has no active clubs, reminded everyone that Region 11 is going to need many people to pitch in and help with the National in 2024. Steve and Jane Amy have been co-chairs of the Regional for 2021.

Chris Tyler is the new ADS Membership Manager. She spoke about the need for a regional auction and asking club members to be looking at plants to donate to the sale. Clubs should consider organizing shipping in one place to cut costs.

Other club officers were introduced and discussion followed. Topics included having Zoom meetings as Greater St Louis Daylily Society did this year. Having open gardens for members or garden meetings. The aging of our membership is still a big concern with the need to encourage new younger members. Topic for meetings were discussed such as having Garden 1 training as a meeting.



**SAVE THE DATE: Winter Gathering 2022  
February 18 - 20th.**

**Drury Inn,  
Independence, MO**

**National speaker  
Friday evening**

**Hybridizers roundtable  
and updates**

**Plant auction Saturday**

# Regional News

## 2021 Annual Meeting Minutes

- *Respectfully submitted for Laura Hood, Secretary, by Carol (Seajay) Mock*

President Carol Schultz called the meeting to order at 9:20 p.m.

The minutes of the last annual meeting held on June 29, 2019, were approved unanimously.

Regional Treasurer, Chris Tyler, discussed the June 30, 2021 Financial Statement as presented to members in their registration bags. The financial report was unanimously approved. Chris also presented the proposed 2022 Region 11 Budget. Upon a motion by Christopher Renner and a second by Mary Lou Lundblade, the budget was approved.

Regional Director report from Sue Calbreath: When you join ADS, your membership will run for 12 months from the month you joined. ADS no longer requires membership according to the calendar year. Change became effective June 2021 per the National in Hattiesburg, MS.

The 2022 National will be in Asheville, NC. 2023 National will be in Nashville, Tennessee. In 2024 it will be held in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Regional Publicity Director report from Christopher Renner: The deadline for the next MoKanOK is July 18, earlier than usual to accommodate the editor's schedule. Christopher reminded people to vote on-line for their favorite flower in the popularity poll.

President, Carol Schultz, presented awards given at the national ADS summer meeting in Hattiesburg, Mississippi:

- Regional Service Award for 2020 was presented to Steve and Jane Amy
- Newsletter Award for Best Article Featuring Historic Aspects (2021) - Michael Bouman
- Tricolor Award - Judy Gotts (2019)
- Honorable Mention - Bob Scott (2018 and 2019) and Michael Bouman (2020)

### New business:

The results of the mail in and in-person voting were announced by President, Carol Schultz. Steve Amy has been elected as the new Regional Director for Region 11.

President Carol Schultz asked for a volunteer from each state to form a nominating committee to choose nominees for president to be voted on in 2022. Suzanne Thompson from COHS volunteered. Volunteers will be sought from Missouri and Kansas.

The Mavis Smith Service Award for Region 11 for 2020 was presented to Michael Bouman. The Awards committee consisted of Steve Amy, Patti Waterman, and Ann Large

The Oscie Whatley Award, sponsored by the Greater St. Louis Daylily Society, was awarded to the two hybridizers who tied: Jim Fry of the Topeka club (seedling FF) and Eric Mack also of the Topeka club (seedling MM). A plaque with the names engraved will be sent to the winners.

The Wilma Award, sponsored by the Oklahoma City club, was presented for best-grown clumps in two gardens, which also tied: the Hall Garden grew a clump of Jim Fry's H. Cloudhunter and the Amy Garden grew a clump of Patti Waterman's H. Locomotion. An engraved plaque will be sent to the Halls and Amys.

The Region 11 Hybridizer Award for the best grown flower developed by a Region 11 Hybridizer was won by Jim Fry for his cultivar, H. Cloudhunter. An engraved plaque will be sent to Jim Fry.

Josh Winzer, President of the Tulsa Area Daylily Society, presented a powerpoint invitation to the Region 11 Summer Meeting in Tulsa,

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m.



Regional Service Award winners Steve and Jane Amy  
Kathy Pinkas photo



Michael Bowman receiving his AHS Newsletter Award  
Kathy Pinkas photo

## Garden Judges

- by *Christopher Renner*

It is that time of the year when garden judges need to be paying attention to their calendars for important deadlines.

**September 1st:** Deadline for Garden Judges ballots - either to postmark and mail ballots to Awards and Honors Chair, or vote online by going to <https://daylilies.org/GJ/>. No ballots submitted after this date are counted.

**October 1st:** Deadline to postmark or scan/email Renewal Applications & Garden Logs to Garden Judges Records Chair, Claude Carpenter, 6075 Vickery Point, Cumming, GA 30040. Tel. (678) 469-4731; e-mail: [gardenjudges@daylilies.org](mailto:gardenjudges@daylilies.org)

**December 1st:** Deadline to postmark or scan/email New Judge Applications to the Garden Judges Records Chair.

At the regional meeting in July in Manhattan we had 6 participants sign up for Garden Judges 1 and 16 participants for Garden Judges 2.

New candidates were paired up with experienced garden judges and the discussions that ensued were a delight to listen to. I am thankful for the insight and knowledge Nancy Rold, Patti Waterman, Clint Barnes, Floanna Crowley, Cindy Lindquist, Brenda Jindra, Ann Redmon, and Eric Tankesley-Clark shared with the other participants. Their collective knowledge and ability to point out key features of a superior plant provided concrete learning examples for people to take away with them as they began their adventure as a garden judge.

## Webpage News

by *Michael Kowalchyk*

I very much enjoyed attending the regional meeting in Manhattan this summer. The gardens were all beautiful, the weather was amazing, and I got to visit with many of my dear daylily friends I have not been able to visit with in-person since the Winter Gathering of 2020.

I was able to use a coupon from our web-hosting company that made 2021 free of charge, hooray! Our website has had much more sustained traffic this spring leading to the regional.

I received updated information from two Missouri affiliates, one Kansas affiliate, and both Oklahoma affiliates.

The regional website is FREE advertising for your local society. You can send me your calendar of events, website/Facebook page information, and a person to be listed as a contact person.

You can send the information through the website contact form at <https://www.adsregion11.org/contact.html> or by email at [adsregion11webmaster@gmail.com](mailto:adsregion11webmaster@gmail.com)

Information for the ADS Region 11 Winter Gathering on President's Day Weekend 2022 will be posted on the website as it becomes available.

See y'all in February! Happy Gardening

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## Oscie Whatley 2024

The 2024 Osice Whatley Competition will be hosted at the Central Oklahoma Hemerocallis Society's ADS Display Garden at Will Rogers Garden.

Hybridizers may only enter one seedling in the competition.

Hybridizers may send a maximum of five fans of one seedling.

Complete competition rules are posted on the Region 11 website.

Please send entries to:

Kathy Scurlock, 3333 NW 20th,  
Oklahoma City, OK 73107-3005

Entries accepted now through May 1, 2022.

# 2021 National Convention Report

## Regional Members Reflect on Being at National

- by **Chris Tyler, Erin Briley and Carol Schultz**

Fifteen people from Region 11, representing all 3 states in our Region, attended the ADS National in Hattiesburg, MS May 19-22, 2021. Here are the impression of three of the attendees.

- **Chris Tyler**

This was my first time to an American Daylily Society National Convention. In Hattiesburg, I kept hearing it was considered a “Regional convention on steroids.” Beautiful gardens, wonderful people from across the “Daylily United States” that I knew from a distance and now was putting a face with a name, making friendships with one common idea of learning, growing and showing daylilies. I attended my first ADS board meeting, coming home with all the different facets of how our ADS business is operated and run, while truly enjoying the flower and the members that all love our daylilies. Looking forward to the 2022 National Convention in Asheville, North Carolina!

what blooms had opened in my own garden, I had absolutely no idea what to expect. I was grateful to have been able to join my mom, reunite with some of my parent’s oldest friends from Atlanta and see so many beautiful gardens.



Region 11’s Basket for the National Convention  
Chris Tyler photo



Regional Director Sue Calbreath and Regional President Carol Schultz in Hattiesburg  
Chris Tyler photo

- **Erin Briley**

I took my mom, Sue Calbreath, to Hattiesburg for what would be my first National Convention. Although I went with my dad over 20 years ago on a bus tour to Florida with his Atlanta club, helped my mom prepare her own garden for a regional convention and have spent countless mornings waking up with excitement to see

You see my favorite daylilies have always been the ones I got over 20 years ago on that trip to Florida with my dad, so you can understand why I felt nervous to be casting in my own votes [for the national awards] but found myself pleasantly surprised on the bus as I listened to the chatter around me discovering I too had picked some of the same ones. I loved seeing all the excitement around me as I walked through the gardens; I understood and appreciated the countless hours that were spent to prepare these gardens. So many cultivator’s names are familiar to me as I have spent many hours working and walking my parents own collection of over 400 daylilies.

I kept seeing these flowers that stood out to me that started with the name Buddy. Buddy’s Megan and Buddy Miss T were among two of my favorites. To my



Buddy’s Megan, Hall-J., 2016  
Carol Schultz photo

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surprise, James Hall [hybridizer of the Buddy series] was sitting at my table each night for dinner. So, what do I do? I hop on the lily auction and order two of his daylilies. I told someone at lunch one day I love daylilies but not the way you love daylilies. I am starting to question that very statement. I found myself leaving Hattiesburg excited to attend my next convention with my mom. I will always have daylilies, being around them makes me feel closer to my dad. My love for working in the garden is a trait he passed on to me. Unlike many of you, I will always have grass but like many of you my garden will always be full of daylilies. Daylilies are a part of my past, a part of my present and I cannot imagine a future without them in it.



Lois Hart with David Bishop

## - Carol Schultz

I am still a bit in awe of the big-name hybridizers, so I found it fun at this national convention to rub shoulders with two of the greats, Elizabeth Salter and David Kirchoff. Michael Kowalchyk and I found ourselves among 25 others taking the Garden Judges 2 Refresher Course on Thursday morning, taught by Elizabeth and David. It was held at Suburban Daylilies Garden of Earl and Barbara Watts. Earl, who turned 90 during the convention, is famous in his own right for his daylilies usually named starting with "Suburban". He started hybridizing in FL and in the 1970's moved his daylily garden and hybridizing program to Hattisburg, MS area.

Get two major hybridizers together and you have strong opinions being expressed! Elizabeth Salter and

Dave Kirchoff had lively discussions about budding, branching, foliage, and overall plant habits. We all listened eagerly to this discussion between the masters and posed questions which were answered from a



Watt's Garden - the sign reads: Come into the garden, my flowers want to meet you.

distinct point of view. Listening to the pronouncements from these well-known hybridizers reminds me that everyone has his/her opinion and daylilies offer something for everyone to love. Another luminary, Oliver Billingsley - noted for his publications was there taking pictures. It felt good to congratulate him in person for his great contributions.

What is always interesting to me is the range of local hybridizers whom I have never heard about represented in the tour gardens. Many favorites and beautiful flowers were developed by local MS hybridizers. As mentioned in Erin's article, Jim Hall and his "Buddy" series was widely represented, and every garden had a good selection of Watt's flowers.

As a garden judge, I got to see many of the award nominees that grow only in the southern climates. Garden judges play a major role in voting for the next Stout Award winner and I, usually, have not seen many of those flowers growing in any gardens I visit. Cultivars on the Garden Judges ballot were marked in the tour gardens making them easy to find and evaluate. Landscaping and garden art also catch my eye, especially re-purposed items that make a unique display.

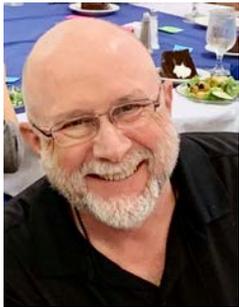
Usually mentioned as everyone's least favorite activity at national is the bus ride. Yes, we did have long bus rides, but this year the number on each bus was limited so we could be socially distanced, and you meet a lot of neat people during those trips. Our bus captain had activities lined up to get us all acquainted. Prizes were awarded for those who came the farthest distance, for answering quiz questions, and all the usual games. Plus, you have time to review your photographs and compare pictures with others.

Seeing a new part of the USA, seeing new daylilies, making new friends, and meeting hybridizers; all exceptionally good reasons to attend a national convention.

# Summer Meeting 2021 - Together Again

- by Steve and Jane Amy

It was a wonderful meeting this year. Seeing so many of our daylily friends made it all worth the effort involved in making it happen. Planning was complicated by not being able to meet in person, however we had ZOOM meetings and a multitude of emails and telephone calls in the process. It was a challenge, but everyone pulled together, and the meeting was a success. Just a note to those clubs that may be considering hosting a regional, Flint Hills did this regional with about 20 active people and some assistance from people in our sister club, the Topeka Daylily Club.



AHS president  
Scott Elliott

There were around 120 people that attended, which was a nice sized group. We were honored to have Scott Elliott, the current ADS President, as one of our guests.

Three private gardens were on tour; And Redmon, Laura Hall, Jane and Steve Amy were the hosts. We also had the KSU Public Botanical Gardens on tour for their daylily collection which includes a complete collection of the Stout Medal winners. We offered Garden Judging Clinics, Exhibition Judging Clinics and had good attendance in

the sessions offered.

The Oscie Whatley Seedling bed was in full bloom. All the plants were putting on a show. It gave the attendees a task to select the best one from all this year.



Kathy Pinkas presenting the Oscie Whatley Award sponsored by the Greater St. Louis Daylily Society to Jim Fry for his seedling (FF) and Eric Mack for his seedling (MM).

We had Margo Reed as our keynote speaker, and she presented a wonderful overview of her hybridizing program and methods. Many of her and Jim Murphy, her partner, plants were in our auction. We had 122 plants in our auction to sell. All the plants went for reasonable prices. We used a professional auctioneer, Dan Kooser, who also does the Topeka Daylily Club members' auction every year. He makes it fun working the crowd for the best bids.

Saturday morning, the tour day, we all woke up to small tree limbs and leaves scattered throughout gardens due to an overnight storm that was still raining on us. The Amy garden had several larger limbs down and our south gate arbor had been flattened by the wind, so the south gate was no longer passable. Our thirty-foot flagpole was snapped off at about two feet above the ground.

We live near great neighbors. They arrived with brooms and buckets to help us clean up before the first bus arrived. I did not hear of such serious damage in the Redmon or Hall garden, but they may have suffered as well.

Regardless of the storm and apparent damage, we were amazed that the daylily blossoms were still mostly intact and unharmed. The gardens put on a great show for the visitors.



Wilma Award Winners for the Best Clump (from left to right) Jim Fry, Kathy Scurlock, Steve and Jane Amy, Laura Hall, Patti Waterman.

Kathy Scurlock, President, Central Oklahoma Hemerocallis Society, sponsor of the award, presents it to Jim Fry for Cloudhunter in Laura Hall's Garden and Patti Waterman for Locomotion in the Amy Garden.

# Regional Meeting Tour Gardens

## The Amy Garden

- text and photos by Dean Reusser

The Amy Garden is a treasure among daylily gardens. The property is nestled within other houses among the border of a community of streets and homes and backs up to a major road.



**Front Garden**  
Carol Schultz photo

This allows for a quite impressive entryway into the back garden, the fence border lined with shrubs and formally designed flower beds. Visitors arriving here enter through a beautiful archway covered with a beautiful mature Kintzley's Ghost honeysuckle vine growing from one end to the other. Alas, the night before touring the Amys' garden, a storm had passed through blowing

down the archway. Thus, the buses with regional club members arrived instead via the residential street and driveway in front of the Amy home. The garden beds

here put on just as spectacular a show in welcoming them.

Always a favorite, the daylily Purple Tarantula reaches out from the corner of the bed greeting everyone. The front yard is well designed and filled with daylilies and other plants with a path walking through them in the middle. Everything in the Amy Garden is arranged and placed with artistic consideration and careful editing year to



**Heavenly Danger Zone**

year. The colors of daylilies and companion plants combine well mirroring a tone, harmonizing with perfectly matched shades of a color, or catching your eye with their light/dark contrast.



**West Garden**

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Particular care is given to the landscaping of each bed and the placement of the plants throughout. Asiatic lilies bloom happily coexisting among daylilies



**Heavenly Dragon Fire**

such as Burning Down the Town, Lillian's Eye Did It, and Bonibrae the Freak. Their supple petals were bursting with dark violets, moody pinks, and a wash of yellow in the glow of the morning sun reflected off the clouds of the storm passing through. A clump of Heavenly Danger Zone was full of its sublime mix of pink and yellow toothy blooms.



**Hosta Garden**

One of the joys of beginning at the front yard garden is the discovery of more as the path leads visitors along the side of the house to a backyard shaded garden with a surprising structural element of what seems to be the



**One of the numerous Asiatic lilies the Amys grow.**

front end of a cabin or store front freestanding, such that one walks through the canopy of trees behind the house down a path which leads out of the front door. The path then continues toward a bed of many shades of chartreuse, green, and blue tones of foliage on good sized Hosta plants and a gate in the back fence and on to another large, connected yard open to the air above, grand in size, and full of daylily beds.

Beautiful mature clumps exploding with color are dotted throughout the garden with a show of bright hot reds and yellows as in the cultivars Keene and Burnt to a Crisp. (The height and type of daylilies are dispersed with as much care as combination of color in this garden.) The Amys grow a large clump of Couchenour's 'Wine with Everything' in full bloom with its dark purple popping out from a background of stark white daisies growing below the tall reaching stems. The fiery orange and red of Heavenly Bengal Tiger cannot be missed.

One can enjoy the creative metal yard art throughout this back garden and find a variety of whimsical birdhouses painted brightly with colors that work with the surrounding daylily blooms. The ornamentation is done in a way that does not upstage the show put on by daylilies such as Hannah Banana, Grace upon Grace, Slivers of Sunshine, or Starstruck Cowboy. All these region 11 hybridized daylilies were begging for the spotlight. A charming trail of actual yellow bricks leads to a specifically themed bed. The love and arduous work of Steve and Jane Amy is evident throughout this beautifully landscaped daylily garden showstopper.

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## The Hall Garden

- text and photos by Eric Tankesley-Clark

The garden of Laura and Don Hall sits near the crest of a Manhattan hillside. Entering from the drive at the top of the hill, you find daylilies in front of the house, but they barely hint at what lies ahead and below. One way



**Mariosa Dreamer,  
Waterman-P., 2011**

of entering the garden takes a shady path lined with various low-light plants. In short order, tiny painted figures start popping up in unexpected places, gnomes of all sorts, both of the traditional humanoid kind as well as assorted animals in imaginative situations. These continue throughout the garden, made by a K-State engineering professor as a witty nod to a student group there, the Graduate Nuclear Or Mechanical

Engineering Students, GNOMES.

A flamboyance of flamingos in many kinds pose under shelter to one side of the path. Then the walkway widens, revealing at first a trickle, and soon a flood, of the main event, clump after bounding clump of daylilies, with accents of large Miscanthus grasses, Lilium, Agastache, assorted conifers and perennials. High-walled terraces and iron fence-work divide the plantings into roughly three levels. The house and a pool crown the garden. A model railway winds through the topmost beds, offering transportation, perhaps, to the resident gnomes and amusement to the actual humans looking on.

The Hall collection of daylilies includes an array of colors, shapes, sizes, and ages. Among the older ones I noted was 'Red Thrill' (Lenington-G., 1964), just barely creeping into the spider range but still a striking clump. On the other end of the age spectrum was 'Clearly' (Murphy-J., 2019), a cascading UF in pale lavender pink

cream with deep rosy lavender chevron eye and displaying the ambitious branching for which the Murphy daylilies are known. In a similar color scheme, 'Mariosa Mary Kathleen Edwards' (Waterman-P., 2014) offers

cascades of pink-cream with light magenta pink eyes and eyelashes. Another Waterman entry takes a different approach, 'Mariosa Dreamer' (2011), crispate UF in orchid rose with expansive icy lavender watermark and fresh green throat on generously branched scapes.



**Cloudbhunter by Jim Fry  
Wilma Award-winning clump**

A different sort of UF is 'Joyce's Curls' (Reeve, 2000), registered as a cascading, but more formal than many. Nevertheless, it showed off light coral pink blossoms, segments artfully recurved, each touched with a rosy eye with a throat shading from light green to yellow covering most of the interior, displayed on nicely branched scapes. 'Crooked House' (Burkey, 2003) takes



**Laura and Don Hall Garden**

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us to a soft buff to almost gold flower with red eyes in dramatic cascading crispate form. 'Toby vs. Godzilla' (Bachman, 2008), also UF, presents a different color palette, strong carmine pink with a carmine red eye surrounding a sprawling yellow-green throat.

Apart from the diploids so far mentioned was the tetraploid UF, 'King Crab' (Gossard, 2009), bold hot vermilion segments with fluorescent scarlet eyes. Its generally up-facing blossoms allow the cascading pendant segments to imitate the skittering crustacean's limbs. 'Spock's Ears' (Hanson-C., 2004) is another tetraploid UF, but not narrow-petaled. Its quirky sepals twirl in a manner any follower of Star Trek would recognize. The color of the segments, cool, pale-edged dark purple, recall the even temperament of the science office of the Enterprise. Perhaps the green throat echoes his copper-based blood color?

By this point, you may wonder whether this writer saw anything other than spiders or UFs. The Hall garden was diverse, I said. There were many shapes and sizes, I said. "Well, where are they?" I hear you asking. Now it's time to confess. Yes, I did see all types, but I didn't take notes or photos of many of them since at the time I didn't realize I would be writing this for you. The upshot

is that some really good daylilies will be overlooked in this review. The fault is mine, not theirs.

But who could have missed 'Cloudhunter' (Fry, 2018)? Salmon pink washes over the segments, blended over a buff ground, with heavily ruffled buff edges. (The registration mentions tendrils, ruffles, and teeth, but it's the ruffles that really stand



**King Crab, Gossard, 2009**

out.) Well branched and budded, this made an outstanding display.

Then there's 'Entwined in the Vine' (Emmerich, 2007). This Stout Medal winner (2018) comes dangerously close to the UF category, but isn't registered as such so I can include it in the diverse shapes I promised. Pale



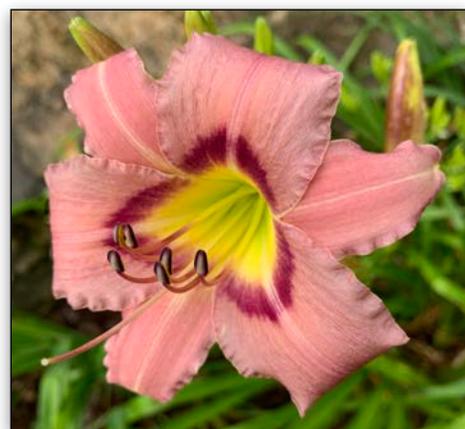
**Don Hall's Garden Train**

lavender with deeper lavender rose eyes, and the segments all toothily ruffled, the blossoms are striking.

'Lynnstar' (Anderson-H., 2006) is an unassuming small-flowered cultivar (3¼") with cool lavender-rose flowers and darker eyes. But the scapes were quite well branched, much more so than the registration indicates, setting it apart.

Among doubles, 'Topguns Citrine Dream' (Scott-B., 2009) offered clear yellow blossoms, the primary row of segments prominently displayed beneath a central daffodil-like grouping of extra petaloids. This is another that showed many buds.

Modesty forbids my mentioning them by name, but I was also pleased to see a few Tankesley-Clarke cultivars grown very well. But then, everything was grown well in the Hall garden. We were so fortunate to see this garden at peak perfection.



**Lynnstar, Anderson-H., 2006**

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## Leon Delmez Collection, KSU Gardens

- text and photos by Lois Hart

The K-State University Garden was established in 1989 as a horticulture display garden. The present garden includes daylilies, irises, and roses. Plans include native plants, peony, and hosta collections on the 19-acre site.



Hesperus  
C. Renner photo

The Stout Medal Garden has a complete collection beginning with Hesperus (Sass-H.P. 1940) the first winner in 1950. The garden includes the daylily collection of Leon Delmez, a K-State professor who was instrumental in the founding of the Flint Hills club and an early leader in Region 11. After his death in 1998, his daylily and iris collections were donated to K-State. In 2017, when he was President of the

Flint Hills Club, Christopher Renner filed the paperwork for the collection to become an AHS Historic Display Garden.

These daylilies represent wonderful daylilies from 1960's to 80's. Some of the beautifully grown clumps I photographed are Orange Star (Rudolph 1968), Paprika Velvet (Hardy 1969), Frances Joiner (Joiner 1988) a very distinct double named by Enman Joiner for his wife, and

Kelly's Girl (Spalding W.M 1983). Chicago Candy Cane (Marsh 1975) was one of many Marsh "Chicago" daylilies on display.

The Flint Hills Daylily Club has been adding newer cultivars to the collection. The garden has a beautiful layout and many interesting architectural features.



Paprika Velvet, Hardy, 1969



Orange Star



Leon Delmez Collection, Carol Schultz photo

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## The Redmon Garden

- text and photos by Chris Tyler; additional photos by Eric Tankesley-Clarke

After an overnight Kansas storm blew through the Manhattan area with strong winds and rain, Dave and Ann Redmon's garden looked unbelievably beautiful!

Ann is the primary gardener with Dave assisting on their 2/3 acres, shaded city lot. During approximately twenty years of adding to their garden the Redmon's have a delightful assortment of many other perennials and shrubs such as Bottlebrush buckeye, Veronicastrum or Culver's Root, Monarda (bee balm), Fringe Tree (Chionanthus virginicus), Roguchi clematis, crepe myrtle, Japanese maples, epimediums, hellebores and hostas, just to name a few, all of which complimented their daylilies.



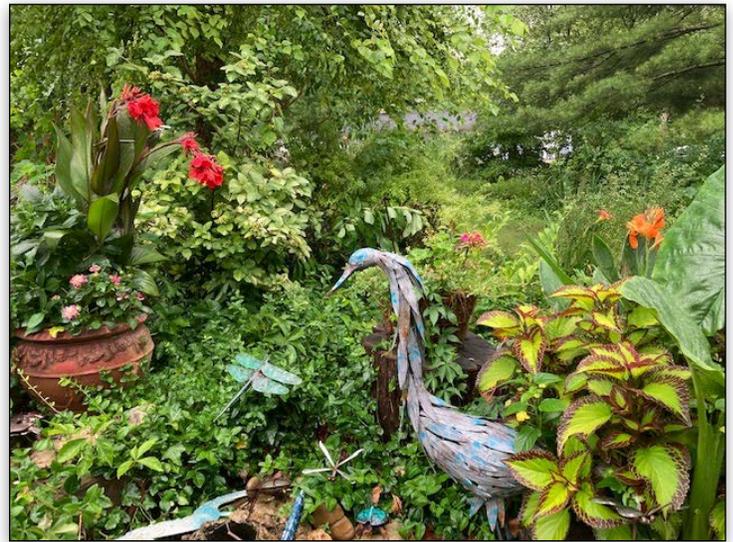
Newbold Betsy Kate  
Tankesley-Clarke photo

While the garden is shaded, Ann has successfully hybridized 200 seedlings and grown 900 registered daylilies, such as Ann's "Wildcat Starry Nights", a dark purple unusual form and popular daylily which many visitors were fortunate to take home with them.

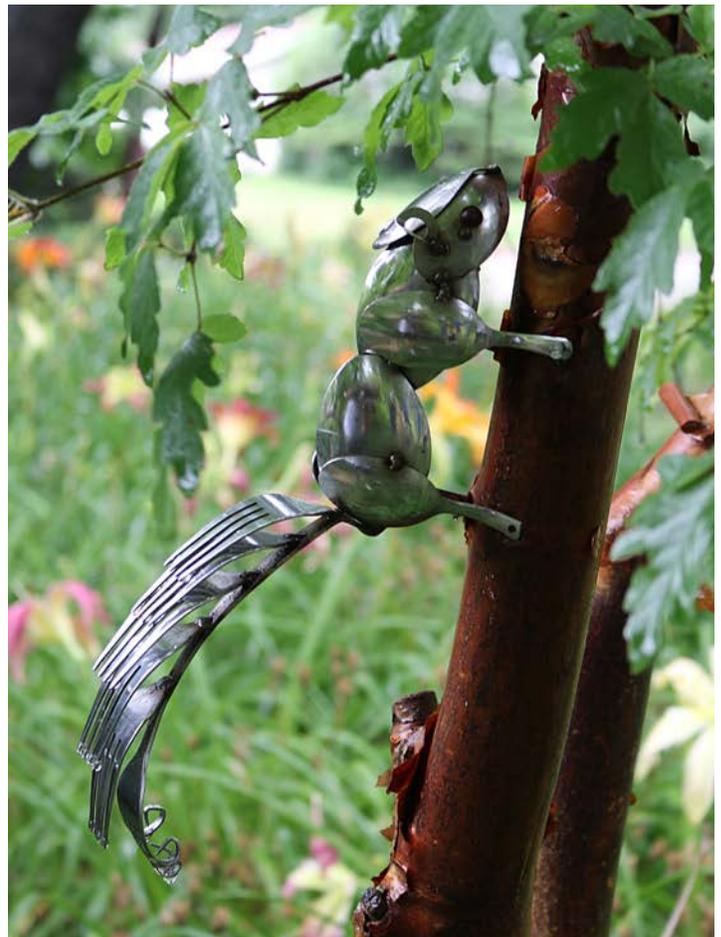


Redmon seedling 113-23  
Galaxy Ranger X Hidden  
Cameras  
Tankesley-Clarke photo

It was a delight to visit this city jewel of a garden, seeing many of Ann's future daylily introductions. Thank you Ann and Dave for welcoming all of us into your garden it was wonderful! Keep up the good work Ann, we're looking forward to seeing many more of your daylilies registered in the years ahead!



Redmon garden and yard art



Redmon's unique squirrel species  
Tankesley-Clarke photo

# Regional Display Garden

## Region 11's Newest Display Garden: The Mannoni-Taylor Memorial Daylily Garden

-by Julie Aikins

The front entrance of Chanute Public Library in Chanute, Kansas, is graced by a wide variety of daylilies which tell a story of two local families. The Mannoni-Taylor Memorial Daylily Garden at Chanute Public Library is a volunteer project of Southwind Extension Master Gardeners and Chanute Public Library to recognize and honor the contributions of these two local families.

Ruth and Sol Mannoni were teachers at Royster Junior High in Chanute, but they were also well-known hybridizers of daylilies. From 1961 through 1982, they registered 14 varieties with the American Daylily Society (AHS).

From 1972 through 1999, George Taylor registered 28 varieties with AHS in his name alone, along with 16 additional varieties registered as Beyer/Taylor daylilies. For several years during peak bloom season, busloads of people visited Chanute to view or purchase daylilies.

In 2018, upon completion of the Master Gardener program, Chanute residents Alison Guinotte-Mih and Julie Aikins planned the memorial garden and began locating as many as possible of the 58 total varieties registered by these two families.

The Chanute Tribune newspaper published an article seeking Mannoni and Taylor daylilies, and community members immediately began responding with donations. The online newspaper article also proved helpful. A woman in Alabama whose father had grown up in Chanute and who had known Sol Mannoni, donated the

Chanute daylily. Ruth and Sol Mannoni never had children, so it was most exciting to receive an email from a niece in Delaware and a great-niece of the Mannonis in South Carolina. They sent Larson Street, Carmie, Beelzebub, Madge Allison, and Carrot Curls, along with several newspaper and magazine articles about Ruth and Sol Mannoni.

Jim and Helen Fry of Topeka, Kansas, and Ward-Meade Botanical Garden there provided several of the George Taylor cultivars, including Esther Peery, Kathryn Summers, Lloyd Schoonover, Sekan Lemon and Sekan Baron. Sekan stands for SouthEast KANSas. George Taylor named one daylily after his wife, Naomi Ruth, and another local resident, whose wife also happened to be named Naomi Ruth, donated that particular daylily.



Copperhead, Taylor-G, 1972  
Christopher Renner photo

Other donations have come from Ohio, Vermont, Missouri, and six other locations in Kansas. To date, 30 of the 58 registered varieties have been located and are planted in the garden. It seems likely that a few of the remaining lilies may be completely lost to time and history. So far, no sources have yet been found for the Mannoni lilies Looby Loo (1964), Sparta (1964), Spartacus (1961), Tioga (1977), or Xerxes (1964.) Of the Taylor daylilies, no sources have yet been found for Chief White Hair (1986), Hi Ho There (1981), Jack Michael (1981), Little Ironside (1972), or Maybe Tomorrow (1978).

The Mannoni-Taylor Memorial Daylily Garden received designation as a registered AHS Display Garden this summer, so please come visit at 111 North Lincoln Avenue in Chanute, Kansas! If you know of sources for any of the missing daylilies, please contact Julie Aikins, jaikins711@gmail.com.



The Mannoni-Taylor Garden

# Regional Club Happenings

## Topeka Daylily Club

*-by Debra King and Jess Danner*

We were so happy to be able to start seeing our members again in person. We had our first in person meeting in March with Brandon Wiley, from the Topeka Zoo, giving us the updates and news from the zoo (pictured presenting on the new Kay McFarland Japanese Garden). Our April meeting was presented by Adam Tucker from Fantasy Falls and Water Gardens. In May, we had our member's only auction which was a huge success with plants from Chad Bush, Paul Owen, Ann Redmon, Jim Fry and member's gardens.

The Topeka Daylily Club held its annual American Hemerocallis Society accredited flower show Saturday, June 26, 2021, at the Fairlawn Plaza Mall in Topeka.

A total of 180 entries were judged in the horticulture division.

A wonderful thank you to all our judges, horticulture division judges: Dennis White, Mary Lou Lundblade, Ann Large, Michael and Nancy Kowalchuk and Laurie Barger, and design judges: Karen Booker, Michael Kowalchuk and Nancy Kowalchuk.

AHS Rosettes went to: James Fry, best extra large flower (DANGEROUS EXPECTATIONS), best large flower (HAPPY MEDIUM), best unusual form flower (BLACK PANTHER), and best popularity poll flower (A GREEN DESIRE). Chris Tyler, best small flower (DIETMAR'S WISDOM), best miniature flower (LIL' BLACK BUDS), best double flower



**Topeka Daylily Show Winners Jim Fry and Chris Tyler**

(RASPBERRY RIPPLE CUPCAKE), and best spider flower (HUNTRESS).

Eric Mack, best seedling, unnamed.

The Best-Of-Show award went to Chris Tyler for her small flower (DIETMAR'S WISDOM). The Sweepstakes award (most blue ribbons) went to Chris Tyler.

The design division had 14 entries. Blue ribbons went to Elaine Holmstrom (I Grow Red Daylilies), Carolyn Litwin (There are Many Colors of Daylilies) and Maggie Warren (Some Daylilies Are Smaller). Red ribbons went to Jess Danner, Maggie Warren and Marilyn Kido. Then Caroline Litwin's design (There Are Many Colors of Daylilies) was selected as the top design, receiving the Tricolor award.

The photo Contest had 16 entries. The photo judges were Topeka Camera Club members Bob Wright and Sonja Hoglund. Blue ribbons went to Jim Fry, Mary Zeller and Emilie Gahnstrom. Runner up red ribbons went to Mary Zeller, and Bill Gahnstrom. Mary Zeller's photo received the top award, a purple ribbon.

The Peoples Choice Awards, which the public voted for their favorite entry, went to Judy Briggs for horticulture (VOODOO DANCER), Marilyn Kido for design and James Fry for photography.

Attendance was lower than the previous show, perhaps the total was 125. (We had no newspaper article.) We also gave away about 200 free daylilies to those who voted for People's Choice Awards. We also sold \$465 of daylilies to help cover expense. The Mall provided space for the judges and workers lunch as well as the show and the tables and chairs at no expense.



**Best in Show winner Chris Tyler**



**Tricolor winner**

# Regional Club Happenings

## Wichita Daylily Club

- by **Dennis Zitterkopf**

We are doing our best to return to a new post-pandemic normal.

Botanica remains operating with a restricted schedule for our meetings, but we are returning to our normal monthly meeting schedule plan. Attendance has not been spectacular, but members are beginning to emerge from their isolation of the 16 months and we enjoy seeing the faces of members again. 27 June was the date for our yearly daylily show after days of miserable high temperatures followed by 3+” of driving rain. One can appreciate the tenacity of a daylily



**Best in show:  
Ravishing Ruby  
Dennis Zitterkopf photo**

and how hardy they really are as we viewed the exhibits brought for the show that survived the rotten weather.

Unusual forms, artistic arrangements, photographs and brilliant blooms brightened the day during the show. Members are now planning to attend the 9-11 July Regional meeting in Manhattan KS and anticipate viewing new plant and old friends. Our next scheduled meeting is 13 July and will focus on AHS daylilies.

## Greater St. Louis Daylily Society

-by **Josh Willison**

The Greater St. Louis Daylily Society is keeping a full schedule of meetings going with plans to start meeting again in person in September. We are currently still meeting over Zoom and hosting guest speakers. In March, Nikki Schmitt presented "10,000 Miles and Counting." Then in April, we had Phil Korth presenting "Hybridizing in the Tundra." In May we hosted another online auction for club members and had a great turn out.

Over the summer we had several open gardens for members to enjoy and see familiar faces. Plans for the annual daylily sale are still up in the air due to ongoing renovations at the Missouri Botanical Garden and the pandemic, but we have plans to host an online member's return plant auction in September. Our September meeting will also see our first



**Luel and Phil Korth's  
Pinewood Mirror Lake  
hybridizer's photo**

in person meeting, so we can have our annual virtual tour of members gardens from this year, ironically. But more importantly to catch up with members many of us haven't seen since the pandemic began. For our October meeting Heidi Douglas of Browns Ferry Gardens will be joining us via Zoom to present "Days of Our Lilies," which the club looks forward to.

Hopefully with a return to normalcy next year, we will plan a full year of events and meeting. Be sure to check out the club calendar on our website to keep up to date, [www.greaterstlodaylilysociety.com](http://www.greaterstlodaylilysociety.com) and on our Facebook group. If you have any questions about participating please contact our President Kathy Pinkas at [kathypinkas@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kathypinkas@sbcglobal.net)

## Ozark Daylily Society

-by **Bev Long**

Despite Springfield being the current covid virus epicenter, we have had a very successful spring and summer. We haven't had indoor meetings because members and potential speakers have been reluctant to hold indoor meetings. We are considering working through our technical challenges to try some ZOOM meetings - but it will be a challenge for many of us!

Our outdoor calendar has been full.

Joining with several other community garden clubs, we participated in an April plant sale. Of course, it was cold and rainy, but our masks helped keep us warm. We had a great crowd, sold many daylilies and made more money than at most of our regular sales.

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Ozark club members attending Region 13's Summer Meeting

In June we worked with community volunteers to weed, mulch, and deadhead the Botanical Center daylily beds. As a result, the beds were in good shape for the June 18th Memorial for Bob Tankesley-Clarke, who helped found our daylily club. The Memorial was organized by Eric Tankesley-Clark for friends and family members and was held in Springfield as a central location for family members.

On July 2 a small group of club members participated in our All American Hotdog Picnic at the gazebo. Afterward we deadheaded the daylilies so the garden looked great for the Fourth of July Holiday weekend.



Ozark club members working at the Botanical Center

In addition to these activities, members have traveled to several out of state daylily events:

- Sue Calbreath and her daughter Erin attended the National Meeting in Hattiesburg Mississippi.
- Four club members spent a day in June at the Northwest Arkansas Regional Meeting visiting gardens in Bella Vista, Bentonville, and

Fayetteville. We had great fun making new friends in the beautiful gardens. We plan to share information about club activities for the future.

- Four club members attended the Region 11 Summer Meeting in Manhattan Kansas. After no meeting last year, this was a wonderful meeting with cool weather and three lovely gardens for touring. We were very pleased that our "Basket" raised the most money for the Region in the auction.

Our final activity of the season will be our annual Members Picnic and Daylily Auction which will be held outdoors on Saturday August 28 .

## Central Oklahoma Hemerocallis Society

*-by Michael Kowalchuk*

We have exciting news from COHS! We have officially accepted to host the 2024 American Daylily Society National Convention in Oklahoma City! More updates to come soon.

Our annual fall daylily sale will be Saturday, September 11th from 8am-2pm or sold out. The sale will be the Will Rogers Garden Exhibition Center at 3400 NW 36th, Oklahoma City, OK.

We will be hosting our September meeting on Friday, Sept. 17th at 6pm. Program to be announced on our Facebook page. Our final meeting of 2021 will be Friday, October 15th at 6pm, program TBA.

## Prairie Winds Daylily Club

*-by Jan Capps*

This has been a year of flexibility for Prairie Winds Daylily Society. Since we were not able to meet at Botanica on our regular 4th Monday evening at 6:30 pm, we have met in a variety of places around Wichita.

In March we met at Spears Restaurant, had dinner, and treated ourselves to pie afterwards! Sure was fun to meet again and get caught up with all our members.

Then in April, Kathy Brady from Brady's Nursery gave us a tour and talked about some of the new plants they had for 2021. We were all so enthused about our gardens and the new plants we wanted to add.

In May, Harry Gregory gave a presentation of his visit to the Norfolk Botanical Gardens. They are gorgeous, what an inspiration! Thanks, Harry, for sharing! We also

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**Brenda Anderson, Flo Crowley, Jan Capps and Debbie Ballenger discuss plant seeds.**

had our perennial exchange at this meeting. There were so many to choose from we all came home with more than we had brought!

June was our month to visit a garden that is one of the gardens on the Sedgwick County Extension Master Gardener's tours. Brenda Anderson's gardens were overwhelming! I've never seen a yard so full of annuals, perennials, ponds, and anything else that can be put into a garden! We had so much fun touring her whole yard and inundating her with questions and amazement of what she had done! We went to Braums afterward for ice cream and everyone was still talking about their favorite parts of her gardens! Our July meeting will be combined with August and will be August 19th at the Belle Plaine Bartlett Arboretum. We will be touring gardens with Robin Macy and enjoying the beautiful surroundings.

In October we will have our annual End of the Year Banquet. We had a drawing at our March meeting of some of the newer daylilies from our gardens. Those plants will be distributed at this meeting to the winners to add to their collections. Our club takes a break after the October meeting and will resume in February.

## Central Missouri Daylily Society

**- by Nancy Rold**

Central Missouri Daylily Club got back to in person meetings in April! We had a fun tour of several member gardens using PowerPoint presentations of photos taken during the 2020 bloom season. We did concede our usual potluck lunch before the meeting, but it was great to have everyone able to see familiar faces and catch up on a year of isolation from each other.

We opted not to have our spring sale to the public. We do have a sale planned for August 21 at both of the farmers markets in Columbia.

COVID restrictions were still in place when we were planning for our annual flower show at the public library. We were sad to miss that event this year as it is always a great way to share the beauty of our blooms with the public.

Many members were able to tour the Rold and Schultz/Cernohlavek gardens on the weekend of July 4. Despite some muddy footing, thousands of beautiful blooms were enjoyed.

Hybridizers Terry and Ashton Lopp will join us on Sunday October 10 for a 1:30 pm presentation of their goals, registrations, futures and seedlings. The meeting is in the Boone County Extension office very close to I-70 at exit 121. Please join us if you can!

## Mo-Kan Daylily Society

**- by Connie Snow**

June 26th 2021 was our first in person meeting of the year! It was so good to see the members who were able to attend. The new and returning officers were introduced to the club members.

Our co-vice presidents volunteered to put together a gift basket from our club to be auctioned off at the Region 11 Summer meeting in Manhattan, KS. They really did a great job and very quickly put one together. Seven members volunteered to have their flower gardens on tour beginning June 24th with most being open for a few days from July 1st through July 10th. Alice Lenington's garden was open every Fri., Sat, and Sunday in July. Members could not only enjoy all the flowers and plants in these gardens but also received Daylily Dollars for each garden visited. Additional gardens included: Lois Hart's, Judy Durham's, Mary

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**Bold Paint in  
Mary Niemeyer's Garden**

Plants fostered by members will be at the auction along with other flower donations and perhaps other garden items, too.



**Judy Durham's Garden**

## Flint Hills Daylily Society

**-by Jane Amy**

The FHDS met in person for the first time since 2019 at our June meeting. We had 25 members and one guest and this included two new members! We had 39 plants from Curt Hanson's Crintonic Garden for our drawing and everyone went home with at least one plant and multiples in several cases! As you would expect, our meetings had centered on the upcoming Regional which occurred on July 9 - 10 here in Manhattan, Kansas.

Niemeyer's, John and Georgene Caoile's, and Ron & Susan Topping's. Here is a glimpse of a few of the gardens that were on the tour.

In September we will have our members only Flower Auction. We had to forgo our regular Cash and Daylily Dollar Auction held at the April meeting, as the building was closed to groups of our size.

Club members will have a chance to spend their Daylily Dollars earned in the previous year at this

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**Curt Hanson's  
Within Without You (top)  
and Embryonic Journey  
(bottom).**

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Purple Thumbs, a group of volunteers who maintain the beds at the KSU Gardens. That group did all the dead heading at that garden in preparation for the club event. And of course, our own Laura Hall is a Purple Thumb and our club liaison to the KSU Gardens.

## Tulsa Area Daylily Society

-by Shiela Baker

The Tulsa Area Daylily Society has had a busy year so far. Michael Bouman was our guest speaker at a Zoom meeting early in the year. He showed us slides of his lovely gardens and his new seedlings and introductions. He then auctioned off some of his beautiful Daylilies.



**Best in Show and Best Spider winner Josh Winter**

Bobby Scott was the guest speaker at our June meeting. He talked to us about hybridizing and also auctioned off some of his beautiful Daylilies.

We had our annual Show and Sale in June. The sale was a big success and our show had many entries.

The winner of Best in Show was Josh Winter with his entry of “Heavenly Flight of Angels”, which also won for Best Spider. Josh also won Best

Small Flower with “Siloam David Kirchhoff” and Best Double with “Double Daffy”. Sheila Baker won the Dale Satterwhite Award and Best Large Flower with “Heavenly White Swan”. Susanne Thompson won the Best Miniature Flower with “Stella De Oro” and the Sweepstakes Award and Best Unusual Form with “Heavenly Orange Blaze”. (Anyone notice a “Heavenly” trend here?)

Preparations are underway for the 2022 Regional. Members have been tending the Display Beds at the Tulsa Garden Center and planning meetings have been held. A theme has been decided upon, Tulsa - Daylilies Galore and So Much More! It will be a fun time and we encourage you to attend!

Our members had a great time at the regional meeting in Manhattan, Kansas. We came home with new knowledge, new friends and lots of new Daylilies! Even the rain didn't dampen the enthusiasm for the breathtaking gardens we toured.



**Suzanne Thompson with her Sweepstakes Award winner and award for Best Unusual Form for “Heavenly Orange Blaze”.**



**TADS work day crew: (left to right), Paula Cole, Sheila Baker, Kathryn Earle, Margaret Pavletich.**

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