**CREATING OUR FUTURE – HONORING OUR PAST**

2023 REGION 11 SPRING FLING

HOLIDAY INN, 3402 ARIZONA AVENUE, JOPLIN, MO 64804

MARCH 24-26, 2023

***EXPANDED AGENDA***

**FRIDAY – MARCH 24, 2023**

3:00 pm - 6:45 P.M. REGISTRATION - Dinner on your own

4:00 – 6:00 P.M. Region 11 – Executive Board Meeting

7:00 P.M. ***Opening Session: Passing on a Legacy***

***– Jeremy Herman and Karen Sherrill***

Karen Sherill is well known in Region 11 as the owner of Daylilies in the Valley in Ironton, MO, and a long-time presence in the Mineral Area. She recently sold her business and hybridizing program to Jeremy Herman, who owns a nursery business in Farmington, MO, called Dreamland Daylilies LLC. Jeremy will market Karen’s old and new introductions and is beginning to develop his own hybridizing program. Come to hear the story of how this all developed and meet the new generation of daylily activity in Southeast Mo. (dreamlanddaylilies.plantfans.com)

**SATURDAY – MARCH 25, 2023**

7:00 – 9:00 A.M. REGISTRATION

BREAKFAST WITH ROOM RESERVATION

9:00 A.M. – 11:30 A.M. KEYNOTE SPEAKER: JAMIE GOSSARD

***Heavenly Daylilies from Heavenly Gardens: The Quest for a True Blue***

Who doesn’t love the heavenly daylilies created by Jamie Gossard, one of most well-known living Daylily Hybridizers. Jamie will speak on a variety of topics; the first session of the morning will concentrate on his quest for a true-blue daylily.

(coffee break somewhere in the middle)

The second portion of Jamie’s talk will reveal how he comes up with his newest creations and a sneak peak at the newest of the new.

11:30 A.M. – 1:00 P.M. LUNCH ON YOUR OWN

1:00 P.M. – 3:00 P.M. GARDEN OR EXHBITION – YOU CHOOSE

Concurrent Sessions:

***The Latest and Greatest from AHS about Garden Judging – Christopher Renner***

Every lover of daylilies must know the standards by which the whole plant is deemed a “perfect” representation of that plant. AHS has worked diligently to make the standards available to as many people as possible by developing on-line presentations that can be used for classes to certify individuals as Garden Judges. Join this presentation and discussion, commitment free, to experience the latest and greatest from AHS. Those who wish to become certified as Garden Judges may pay $5 and take the written test at the end of the presentation. If you take Garden Judges 1 at Spring Fling, you will be eligible to take Garden Judges 2 at the national convention in Nashville. This is a great opportunity to mingle with some well-known daylily people and see some flowers that we don’t usually see in our Region.

***The Latest and Greatest from AHS about Exhibition Judging – Susanne Thompson***

If you love showing off your daylilies and want to get started, or are already an avid exhibitor, this presentation is for you. Learn ways to enhance your chances of winning at an AHS accredited daylily show by gaining knowledge of what exactly the judges are considering. AHS has worked diligently to make the exhibition judging available to as many people as possible by developing on-line presentations that can be used for classes to certify individuals as Exhibition Judges. Join this presentation and discussion, commitment free, to experience the latest and greatest from AHS. Those who wish to become certified as Exhibition Judges may pay $5 and take the written test at the end of the presentation.

3:15 – 4:30 P.M. ***Mannoni, Taylor, and Schonover: SE Kansas’ Pioneer Hybridizers***

***– Julie Aikins***

Mannoni, Taylor, Schoonover, and the Kansas Pioneers Hemerocallis Society; all very well-known names in the daylily hybridizing world in the past. Julie Aikins and some Master Gardener friends have preserved information about these early hybridizers at the Chanute Public Library. We are all standing on the shoulders of those who came before us. Find out more about these early stars of Region 11.

4:30 – 5:30 P.M. ***Hybridizer Round table*** – Jamie Gossard will answer any questions left over from the morning and Region 11 Hybridizers will discuss items of their interest.

5:30 – 6:00 P.M. SOCIAL GATHERING - CASH BAR

**SILENT AUCTION ENDS 5:45 P.M.**

6:00 – 7:30 P.M. Buffet Dinner

***Michael Kowalchyk Speaker: “Daylilies…You Mean Those Orange and Yella Thangs???”***  Spotlighting the next generation of daylily enthusiasts, Michael has been asked to present this introductory program that he prepared and presented at the Will Rogers Garden and Exhibition Center in September 2022. Michael was a recipient of the Region 11 Youth scholarship and is now making his mark on the daylily (as well as the Iris and music) community.

DAYLILY AUCTION

**SUNDAY – MARCH 26, 2023**

7:00 – 10:00 A.M. Breakfast with room reservation

8:30 – 10:00 A.M. Region 11 Hybridizers' Introductions

10:00 – 11:30 A.M. Annual Meeting: Roll call of the Region 11 Clubs and officers, prizes, awards

11:30 A.M. ADJOURN

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| Date | Time | Event |
| Friday  (March 24) | 3:00 – 6:45 PM  Dinner on your own | Registration in hallway |
|  | 4:00 - 6:00 PM | Region 11 Executive  Board Meeting |
|  | 7:00 -9:00 PM | Opening Session: Creating our future – honoring our past  Passing on a Legacy – Jeremy Herman and Karen Sherrll |
| Saturday  (March 25) | 7:00 - 9:00 AM  (Breakfast with room  Reservation | Registration |
|  | 9:00 - 11:30 AM | KEYNOTE SPEAKER:  Heavenly Daylilies from Heavenly Gardens  Jamie Gossard  (coffee break somewhere in the middle) |
|  | 11:30-1:00 PM | LUNCH ON YOUR OWN |
|  | Concurrent Sessions  1:00 – 3:00 PM | Presentations:  The Latest on Garden Judging – Christopher Renner  The Latest on Exhibition Judging – Susanne Thompson |
|  | 3:15 – 4:30 PM | Mannoni, Taylor, and Schonover:  SE Kansas’ Pioneer Hybridizers – Julie Aikins |
|  | 4:30-5:30 PM | Hybridizer Round table – Jamie Gossard will answer any questions left over from the morning. |
|  | 5:30 - 6:00 PM | Social Gathering  (Cash Bar)  **SILENT AUCTON ENDS 5:45** |
|  | 6:00 - 7:30 PM | Buffet Dinner Michael Kowalchyk Speaker: |
|  | 7:30 - 9:30 PM | Daylily Auction |
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|  | Noon | ADJOURN |