

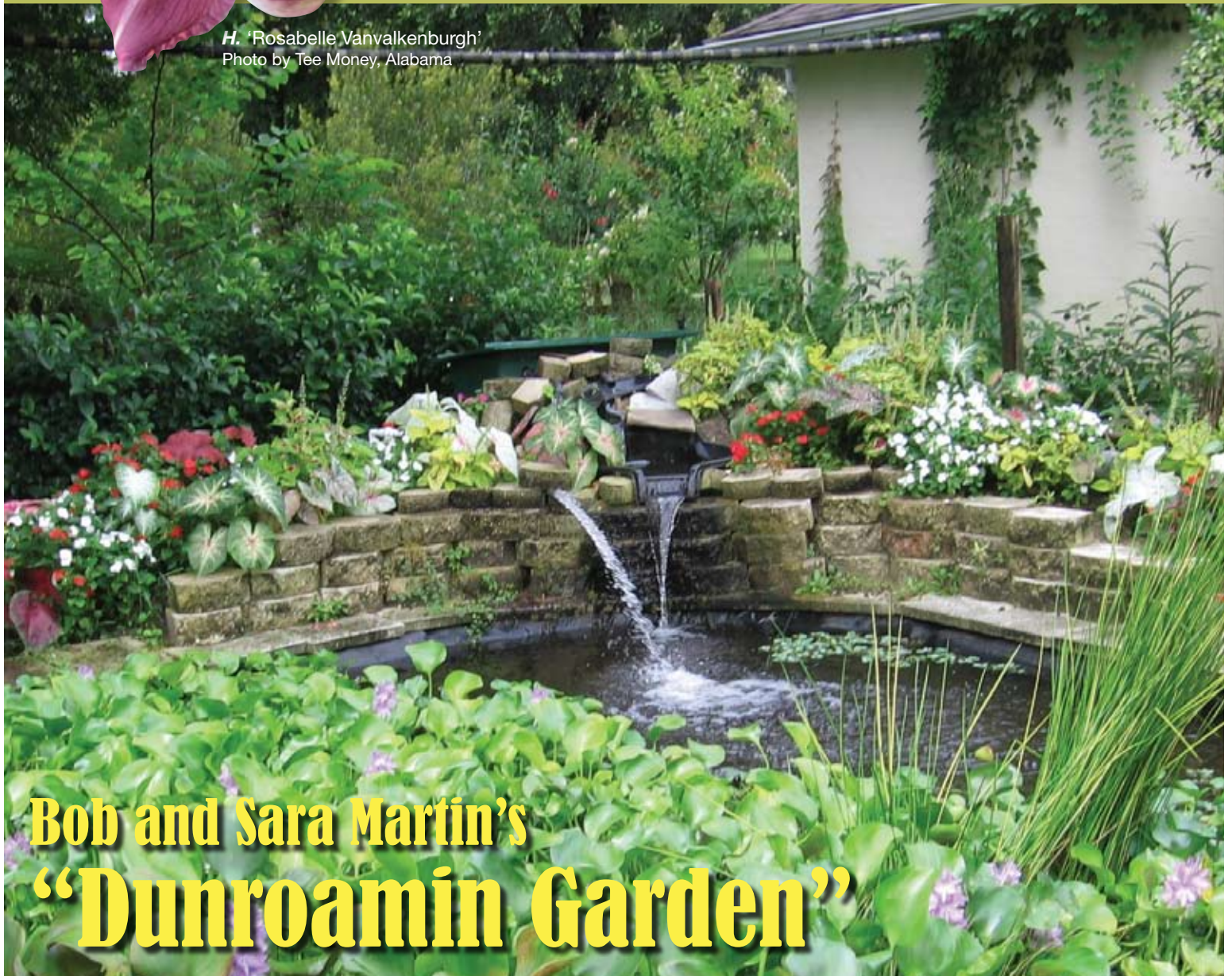


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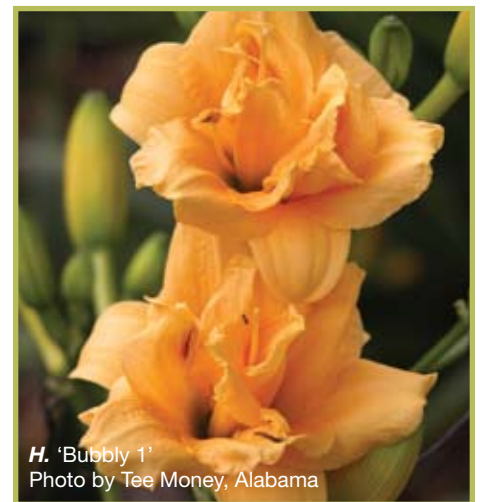
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RP's Message...

Elaine Alito, St. Petersburg, Florida



Greetings,

My goodness, this winter has been really, really cold and I heard it said that it has been the coldest in 20 years. My yard and gardens looks like someone took a blow torch

to them. That is, except for the daylilies and they look very good. I guess some cold weather does them good and gives them a respite from the oppressive heat of summer.

I am ready for spring and it can't get here too soon. I have been busy getting this newsletter out and also putting together new information to give to Rita Meng to update our Region 12 website.

Show schedules are set, judges have been selected and everyone is ready for their flower shows. I love to exhibit flowers and I love even more to win! I have been in the habit the past couple of years of cutting my scapes the night before the show. I believe Linda Sample turned me on to that little trick when one year it was going to be rainy the morning of our show. In the last few years I think I have gotten pretty good at figuring out which scapes will have a bloom the next day. Doing this the night before takes so much pressure off since you have to be at the show super early and have a lots of work to do besides bringing your flowers.

In this newsletter are two ballots, one for a new Regional President and one for a new Region 12 Director. The nominating committee, consisting of Floyd Sewell, Chairman, Joe Agosta and Gene Perry nominated me for the new Region 12 Director and Ray Wensell as Regional President. I have been mentoring Ray for the past couple of years to get him ready for this position. He is going to make a great Regional President. And I will do the best job I possibly can to represent Region 12 on the AHS Board of Directors. Please fill in your ballots and return them to Floyd. Just fold in thirds and Floyd's address is on the other side of the ballot. Pursuant to the Region 12 Bylaws, your ballot must be postmarked by April 22nd or your ballot will not be counted.

The flower pictures in this issue celebrate "Mighty Minis" and I hope you enjoy them. I want to thank my wonderful friend Tee Money from Headland, Alabama for the photographs.

May I urge all of you in Region 12 to write an article for the newsletter? You have no idea how incredibly difficult it is to put together a newsletter with no, or very little, input from our members. So please, write an article and send it to me. And please include pictures too and maybe we won't have to rely on Tee to send her photos!

Happy Gardening,
Elaine



H. 'Frank's Black Eyed Peas'
Photo by Tee Money, Alabama

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Director's Message...

Frank Smith



H. 'Texas Sunlight'
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Welcome New Members

to Region 12 of the American Hemerocallis Society

Mary Fuller
Chipley, FL

Joyce Hull
Seminole, FL

Francis LeDuc and
Martha Caldwell
Orange Park, FL

Barbara Lisenby
Macclenny, FL

Marilyn Moon
Tampa, FL

Margery Schiller
Brandon, FL

Douglas Sliger
Pinellas Park, FL

Frances Wilson
Tampa, FL

The Wynn Daylily Garden

By Maryzell Roberts

Last season I visited a beautiful garden located fifteen miles east of Madison, Florida on State Road 6.

When I turned off the main highway onto SR 6, I immediately slowed down, relaxed and enjoyed the lovely, peaceful countryside. On both sides of the road there were country homes, pine trees, pecan groves and corn fields. The land is rolling hills with beef and dairy cattle grazing in pastures. Now and then there were newly plowed fields of the blackest earth one can imagine.

The Wynn's garden is on the left if you are going in an easterly direction on SR 6. The Wynns are cordial, laid-back people and you are quickly comfortable with them. Gene, his wife Mary and daughter Jessica readily show you their twelve gardens. They are members of both the Lake City and the Valdosta daylily clubs, and Mary has exhibited prize-winning spider daylilies.

The gardens abound with 3500 registered daylilies and hundreds of gorgeous seedlings. They have many companion plants such as cone flowers and agapanthus in pots under tall pines. One can easily spend an hour or two of comfort time in this garden... I did.



Hybridizing for Dummies – The Beginners Handbook

By Bob Faulkner, Dayton Ohio

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This should be an easy column for me... all I have to do is remember everything I've done wrong.

Hybridizing Daylilies is simple. All you have to do is take pollen from one flower and put it on the pistil of the other flower.

The hard part is all the rest.

First of all, no matter how much space you reserve for hybridizing when you first start out...it won't be enough. You might laugh at this now, but get back to me later, when you've sold your lawnmower and tilled your last bit of yard.

Nearly everyone who starts out hybridizing has no intention of introducing anything. That will change once you see your first unique seedling. You will need to make room for your introductions.

Once you decide to do introductions, you will need more room for the extra seedlings you will grow from your introductions.

Having more seedlings and introductions to care for, you will need a watering system... doing it by hand loses its' charm after about 1000 seedlings.

When we begin to hybridize we don't take into account all the 'supplies' we will need to accompany our new hobby. There is fertilizer, weed killer, name tags, markers, fancy tweezers, snap lid containers for pollen, zip lock baggies for storing

seeds. Then there are the containers for growing seeds.

If you are one of the more eco-minded hybridizers, you likely will want to forgo the weed killer. So you will choose instead to weed by hand. So you will need medicine to counteract the killer back from weed-ing.

Then there are soil amendments, mulch or wood chips, digging shovels and record books.

If you are going to have introductions you will need a camera. The old box camera won't do... you most likely will need a new 35mm.

Later on you will be coerced to show your pictures at some meeting. You will need a digital camera and a computer to do PowerPoint. You will need a carrying case for your stuff.

You'll end up wanting to sell your introductions so you will need a web site, a webmaster and lots more money.

You will want to keep every seedling... you can't!

So the rule of thumb is getting rid of anything that isn't useful, beautiful or makes you joyful.

You will begin to collect pertinent sayings, like: "whatever doesn't kill you really does make you stronger."

Hybridizing is like finally having a happy

childhood...but the second one is up to you and no one else.

Remember no one is in charge of your happiness but you.

You will get tons of advice once you start blooming half-way decent flowers, much of it won't be good and much of it will lead you down a longer path....so prepare early to forgive everyone everything.

And keep in mind that what other people think of your hybridizing is none of your business.

Try and get outside every day...miracles are waiting everywhere.

One of the worse side effects of being a good hybridizer is envy...remember, it's a waste of time...you have all you need in your own yard.

If we took everyone's' hybridizing problems and threw them all in a pile...soon as we saw everyone else's problems, we'd grab ours back.

Don't compare your hybridizing to others. You have no idea what their journey has been about.

You must pay your dues, don't be despondent when people don't immediately beat a path to your door. Most hybridizers have spent years at their craft before anyone noticed.

After all, hybridizing isn't tied with a bow, but it is still a gift.

Judging an American Idol

Joe Agosta, Garden Judge Liaison

Do you watch the American Idol television series? If you do, you know the joy of seeing your favorite contestant perform well, continue to move toward the finals, or maybe even win the top prize. As an AHS garden judge you will experience similar satisfaction when your favorite well-performing cultivars are recognized by the many annual cultivar awards.

Joining in on the fun is simple. Complete Garden Judge Clinics I and II, submit your application, and you will be placed on the AHS judge's panel for the Stout Medal along with other AHS cultivar awards. An applicant need only be an AHS member for one year to take one or both clinics. Full requirements are found in Judging Daylilies which is available from the AHS or on line at <http://www.daylilies.org/AHSJudgesDocsG.html>. The complete Clinic I presentation can be reviewed at the website as well. Clinics are held at all regional meetings. Be sure to sign up for the clinics when sending in your regional meeting registration.

Current garden judges should check to be sure that the latest updates to Judging Daylilies have been incorporated into their personal copies. Updated pages can be printed from the AHS website or ordered from AHS.



H. 'Teenie Girl'
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Mark Carpenter's Daylily Definitions

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Daylily: A unique flower that has mystical power over your bank account.

Hybridizer: A crazed individual who believes he/she can create colors in flowers that do not exist in our world!

Regional: A great excuse for a party.

Pod Difficult: No matter how much you spend, you are not getting pods set on this baby!

Volunteer: Generally a brand new member to a daylily club. Have we got plans for YOU!!

Flower Show: A gathering of crazed individuals who love ribbons, but love their flowers even more.

Unusual Form: It's not really a spider in technical terms, it's not a bagel, it's not a... well... you know... it's an unusual form!

Pod: A small, hull like shell that many believe is a magic box, one that will grant wishes like the color blue, or a 10" sized bloom!



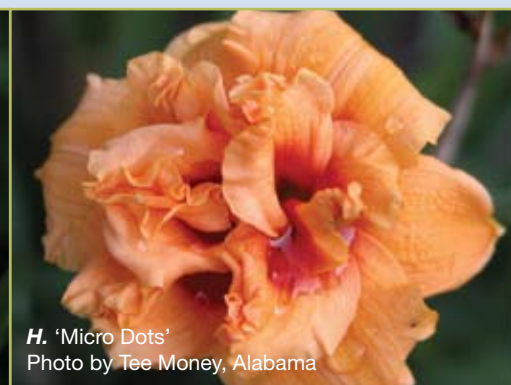
H. 'Broadway Starfish 1'
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H. 'Finding Blue'
Photo by Tee Money, Alabama



H. 'Green Treat'
Photo by Tee Money, Alabama



H. 'Micro Dots'
Photo by Tee Money, Alabama



H. 'Elva White Grow'

RPD Corner

Bob Martin

My first popularity poll, was I felt just reasonable, with poll numbers being relatively low. However we need to fire up the masses to ensure that we improve our voting results for the upcoming year. So "turn out the hounds" and let us "hit it".

My garden has recovered from the heavy frosts that seemed to go on forever and turn everything a horrible brown color. At least the daylilies have recovered and are very green and vibrant right now and we are getting ready to fertilize for the first time this season.

Now the results of last seasons poll again for those of you with memories like mine who can't remember what I was doing yesterday.

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| 1, ELVA WHITE GROW. | With 17 votes. | A Smith introduction from 1986. |
| 2, VICTORIAN LACE. | With 12 votes. | A Pat Stamile introduction from 1999. |
| 3, JACK MAY. | With 11 votes. | An E. Brown introduction from 1994. |
| 3, MIDNIGHT MAGIC. | With 11 votes. | A Kinnebrew introduction from 1979. |
| 5, JASON SALTER. | With 10 votes. | An Elizabeth Salter introduction from 1987. |
| 5, LARRY GRACE. | With 10 votes. | A Jeff Salter introduction from 1994. |

Have a very happy growing season, may all your weeds "come out" all right and your blooms be the most exquisite ever.

2010 Region 12 Spring Meeting Small Garden Gems

Many people know that the central Florida area is home to some of the premier hybridizers of daylilies. What they might not know is that tucked into some suburban yards are some real gems of daylily gardens. Therefore, the theme of the 2010 Region 12 Spring Meeting hosted by the Central Florida Daylily Society is "Small Garden Gems." One of the highlights of the meeting will be the bus tour to four gardens, many of which have not been seen by anyone but club members! To give you a taste of what's in store, here are brief descriptions of the tour gardens. We can't wait to share our treasures with you!

Bob and Sara Martin's "Dunroamin Garden"

tion of plants and shrubs including but not limited to Hydrangea, Roses, Ginger, Banana, Sago Palms, Dahlia, Gladioli and Angel Trumpets.

Bob also has a vegetable garden and specializes in growing in containers. He grows Potatoes, Tomatoes, Cucumber, Peppers, Pole and Bush Beans, English Peas, Turnips, Beets, Lettuce and Radish, Squash, Cantaloupes and many others. The front yard has a pair of Cupressus Leylandii, one on either side of the short driveway, plus a rose bed and mixed shrub garden. Come see us and make yourselves at home.

cro climates; that a sunny spot near the wall, a spot with some shade, and a spot here and there. Presently, beds circle the pool deck, extend across the back of the property and occupy a circular bed near the side walk. This bed is admired by



JoAnn and Paul Little's Garden

The Little Garden started with a new suburban home in 1987, and Jo Ann's mom offered to share some of her daylilies with her. So this was the beginning. The first lilies were planted in a bed stretching across the front of the house. The obligatory trees, then switches once looking so little and forlorn, grew into huge trees. The result was insufficient sun and no blooms. Thus began the digging and preparing of

walkers while in bloom, and in between times amazes others by the lack of ears on Jo Ann's "stalks of corn". Among the daylilies Jo Ann and Paul have incorporated azaleas, roses, camellias, bromeliads and annuals to ensure blooms most of the year. Paul has a lovely collection of orchids around the pool deck where they provide additional blooms throughout the year.

Wayne and Fern Johnson's Garden

Located in rural Orange City this is a Garden in the making, we are 5 years into an 8 – 10 year project, this garden is themed on an English Cottage garden style with over 300 different named daylilies and a host of companion plants. A wild Magnolia tree and water Oak dominate the garden. It features a garden pond with Koi and Goldfish. A collec-

tion of plants and shrubs including but not limited to Hydrangea, Roses, Ginger, Banana, Sago Palms, Dahlia, Gladioli and Angel Trumpets. Bob also has a vegetable garden and specializes in growing in containers. He grows Potatoes, Tomatoes, Cucumber, Peppers, Pole and Bush Beans, English Peas, Turnips, Beets, Lettuce and Radish, Squash, Cantaloupes and many others. The front yard has a pair of Cupressus Leylandii, one on either side of the short driveway, plus a rose bed and mixed shrub garden. Come see us and make yourselves at home.

Jo Ann's favorite daylilies are those that bloom well and don't die. Over the years she has discovered some mi-

Morning commuters traveling in Winter Park in the spring experience a beautiful sight. The front yard of Wayne and Fern Johnson contains a collection of colorful daylilies in full bloom. An open gate invites neighborhood walkers to stroll through the back garden to view additional daylilies and a variety of other plants.



The Central Florida Daylily Society hosts: Small Garden Gems

Region 12 Spring Regional Meeting May 7 - 9, 2010

- Headquarters:** Clarion Inn & Conference Center, 230 W. SR 436, Altamonte Springs, FL 32714, (407) 862-4455
- Hotel Rate:** Rate is \$69 per night. Mention "Daylily Society" when making reservations. Rate is good through April 20, 2010 and includes a full, hot breakfast.
- Registrar:** Trudy Marth, 4140 Packard Ave., St. Cloud, FL 34772, (407) 498-0682, portmarth@comcast.net
- Registration Fee:** Adult: \$80, Youth (under 14): \$50, if paid by April 16, 2010. Afterwards: \$20 late fee.
- Registration Times:** Friday 4:00 p.m. to 6:00p.m. and Saturday, 6:30 a.m. to 7:15 a.m.
- Friday:** **Boutique and Silent Auction.** Open 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., Clarion Inn
Light Appetizers and Social. 6:00 p.m. Clarion Inn
- Saturday:** **Bus Tour of Gardens.** Buses load at 7:15 a.m. in front of the Clarion Inn for departure at 7:30 a.m. promptly. Tour Gardens: Bob and Sara Martin's Dunroamin Garden, Jo Ann and Paul Little's Garden, Wayne and Fern Johnson's Garden, and CJ and Virginia Gregory's Dragonwood Garden (Munson Bed)
Lunch. Approximately 1:00 p.m., Clarion Inn
Garden Judges – Workshop 1. 2:00 p.m., Clarion Inn
Garden Judges – Workshop 2. 2:00 p.m., Dragonwood Garden (remain in garden after bus tour, lunch will be served in the garden).
Exhibition Judges – Clinic I. 2:00 p.m., Clarion Inn
Exhibition Judges – Clinic II. 2:00 p.m., Clarion Inn
Exhibition Judges – Clinic III (Refresher). 2:00 p.m., Clarion Inn
Boutique and Silent Auction. 3:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., Clarion Inn
Small Hybridizer Gems of Region 12 Presentation. 3:00 p.m., Clarion Inn
Banquet. Social Hour: 5:30 p.m. Dinner: 6:00 p.m.
Region 12 Business Meeting: Elaine Alito, Regional President
Guest Speaker: Ludlow Lambertson, Art Gallery Garden
Auction: To benefit Region 12
- Sunday:** **Open Gardens** (on your own). A list of open gardens will be in your registration packet.

AHS Region 12 Spring Meeting 2010 – Orlando, FL – May 7-9, 2010

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Fee for Judges Clinics/Workshops is \$5.00 per person/per clinic collected at the door. Checks payable to AHS.

The daylily collection numbers three hundred and fifty registered varieties. These reflect the individual tastes and interests of the couple. Wayne collects primarily large flower doubles and singles; Fern concentrates on miniatures and small flowers. Both use their collections to hybridize, so expect seedling beds in bloom at this time.

CJ and Virginia Gregory's "Dragonwood Garden"



Dragonwood Garden is located on a corner lot in Orlando city proper, and CJ and Virginia Gregory have squeezed plants into every corner of it. Daylilies are grown in raised beds on all four sides of the house with named tetraploids primarily on the west side, diploids in the back, and seedlings on all sides. With over 800 named varieties in every size, color, and form there is something to interest any daylily enthusiast.

In addition to named varieties, CJ and Virginia grow over 1,000 seedlings. They are working primarily with small unusual forms and patterned daylilies, but when pollen fever strikes nothing in bloom is off limits! The garden is also home to a variety of other plants including coleus, bromeliads, angel and devil trumpets, hibiscus, loquat, crepe myrtles, and several types of butterfly plants. We look forward to sharing our garden with you

The Care And Feeding Of Daylilies

By Dan Trimmer

By formal education I should be qualified to discuss International Politics but have zero qualifications to talk about any horticultural endeavors. However, I have no experience in the political world, and I have about 25 years experience growing daylilies; in excess of 15 years as a commercial enterprise. I've learned my lessons via the school of making more mistakes than I'd like to admit, and by asking as many people as possible to share what they knew, oftentimes via their formal education. So here is a very quick overview of the lessons I have learned.

Number one is WATER, WATER, WATER. If you do nothing else to your flower beds, which hopefully are filled with daylilies, provide at least 1-1.5 inches of water per week. This is more important than any feeding program. Number two on the list of "things to do" is take PH readings in each of the locations where you grow daylilies. Regardless of how much nutrition is present not much is going to be available to your plants unless your PH is in the 6.2-6.8 range. I've found inexpensive PH meters to be rather accurate when I compare them to lab tests of the same beds I've just tested with my el cheepo meter. In addition to the accurate PH test the laboratory will provide for you it's important to get a baseline of what nutrition and element levels are present in you beds. You can't know what to add unless you know what you need. County Cooperative Services may be able to provide this service to you at a very reasonable cost. Amend as necessary to correct any PH problems.

Whenever possible incorporate as much organic material as you can get your hands on into your garden beds. Compost, composted leaves, animal manures cottonseed meal, corn meal, bone meal, and the like will help keep your soil loose, provide valuable trace minerals and retain moisture. This could be an entire article here, but I'll stop here.

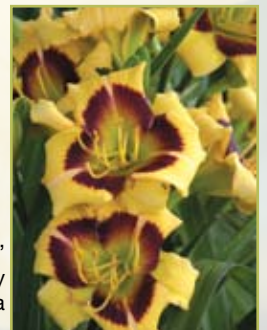
THE BIG THREE: The Nitrogen, Phosphorus, and Pot Ash that we see listed on the front of our fertilizer bags deserves quite a bit of discussion. We must understand that our daylilies are not typical perennials. With most of our flowering plants a "balanced" diet is recommended lest we get too much leaf and little bloom. Thus 10-10-10 or 6-6-6 fertilizing programs are recommended. This is not the case with Daylilies. Daylilies are in the family of plants known as monocots. They're in the same plant family as ornamental grasses or corn! Monocots prefer to feed at a rate of 3-1-2, or when in active growth 4-1-2. Thus, 18-6-12 should be an ideal mix for us. Compounding the typical lack of nitrogen problem my laboratory tests always seem to reveal is the fact that the middle number in our fertilizer (phosphorus) is not easily soluble, while most of our nitrogen is quickly leached away. The bottom line is that if we do feed our plants year after year in the same beds we may end up with much too much phosphorus to the point where it is toxic. Before this happens, and if your soil test come back that you have adequate levels of Phosphorus try feeding with small amounts of Calcium Nitrate (which will also help raise a low PH) or Ammonium Sulfate (which will help lower PH) and Potassium Nitrate throughout the season. This will provide the nitrogen our plants like along with other valuable elements. If you make a mistake, make it by putting out too little, not too much of these products. They can be very powerful and can cause severe burning.

Early in the growing season in addition to the basic fertilizer regimen it's important to add what I'll call the major minors; Iron, Magnesium and Calcium. Iron can come from an organic source such as Milorganite or an Iron supplement. I get my much of my magnesium from Epsom Salts (which is Magnesium Sulfate at a rate of 100 pounds per acre) and additional Calcium from the earlier mentioned Calcium Nitrate. Several profes-

sional horticulturalists have told me it's important to get these "major Minors" our early in the growing season as they are required in order for the plants to be able to take up the big three (Nitrogen, Phosphorus, Pot Ash). When I lived on Long Island this active growth period started just after the dormants broke dormancy. Following bloom season with the first cool weather in the early fall was the time for a second very serious feeding period. It's important not to use a time release fertilizer at this time as we want our rapid growth to end before the onset of very cold weather. This second feeding period can result in twice the plant the following year as compared to unfed plants. In Florida or elsewhere in the deep south we can't feed too much in the summer due to the excessive heat, so most of the feeding takes place from November through March.

I've found liquid feeding modest amounts of plant food very often to work wonders. It's also important to vary the product applied. A Peter's Excel product known as Cal Mag 15-5-15 seems to make my plants very happy. (A lab test will also tell you if the important balance of calcium and magnesium is present.) I liquid feed any number of other products, most with a very high first number (nitrogen) A last couple of thoughts. Firstly, risk using too little fertilizer, not too much. (Can't say this in too loud a voice) Secondly, organic sources are better than chemical fertilizers, but for large gardens we have little choice but to use the above mentioned chemical fertilizers.

Happy Gardening!



H. 'Daggy 3'
Photo by
Tee Money, Alabama

AMERICAN HEMEROCALLIS SOCIETY

REGION 12

2010 Collier Brown Youth Award

Winner(s) of the 2010 Collier Brown Youth Award will receive 2010 AHS National Convention registration and hotel accommodations for three nights. Travel and meals, other than those included in the convention registration, will be the responsibility of the winner(s)

Competition open to Region 12 residents only.

Application (Please Print) Photocopies accepted.

Full Name: _____ Signature: _____

Age: _____ Date of Birth ____/____/____ (Must be after July 2, 1991)

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: (____) ____ - _____

Name of Parent(s) or guardian: _____

Name of parent(s), guardian or chaperone who would accompany applicant to the convention: _____

Date of AHS membership: ____/____/____

Member of which Region 12 local club or society? _____

Date of local club or society membership: ____/____/____

Number of cultivars grown by the applicant in an area maintained by the applicant: _____

List of daylily show and dates in which applicant has entered exhibits:

Complete the following paragraph (Use additional sheet if desired.)

I want to attend the 2010 AHS National Convention in Valdosta, Georgia because

Attach two (2) letters of recommendation containing information on personal knowledge of the applicant's involvement in daylily cultivation and exhibition. Letters are to be from the local club or society president and one other AHS member.

Submit application postmarked no later than May 1, 2010 to:

Loye Stateler, P.O. Box 27, Loughman, Florida 33858-0027 Phone (863) 424-2659

Minutes from Region 12 Fall Business Meeting

October 3, 2009



The meeting was called to order by RP Elaine Alito on Saturday, October 3rd in Orange Park at the Howard Johnson. This weekend was hosted by the North Florida Daylily Society.

RP Elaine Alito asked for a moment of silence to honor the three Region 12 members who passed away recently, Dave Talbott, Dan Stateler, and Marjorie Kinnebrew. These three will be missed by all of us.

Ray Wensell discussed the results of the popularity poll. Sixty-two members voted, 5 less than last year. He suggested club presidents have ballots and as their AHS members to vote at the June club meeting and having each AHS member's name on the ballot.

John Martin named the winners of the popularity poll: A four way tie for 5th place was 'Witches Wink', 'Rachael My Love', 'Larry Grace', and 'Jason Salter' In 3rd place was 'Midnight Magic' and 'Jack May'. 'Victorian Lace' was in second place, and 'Elva White Glow' was the first place winner.

Minutes of the 2009 Spring Regional, as published in the Fall 2009 newsletter, were approved by a motion from Gene Perry, and second by Ray Wensell.

Treasurer's Report: Mark Headley reported a balance as of August 23, 2009 was \$16,615.84 in checking, \$10,600.51 in a CD and \$5 in savings for a total balance of \$27,221.35

Elaine explained that the newsletter was done by digital printing She asked that Region 12 reimburse Sandy O'Connell for editing and preparing the Fall 2009 newsletter for the printer.. Opal Howell made the motion that we reimburse Sandy O'Connell for each newsletter she does. This motion was seconded by Virginia Gregory. Motion passed.

Elaine asked for volunteers to serve on the nominating committee for Director of Region 12. Floyd Sewell, Joe Agosta, and Gene Perry volunteered, with Floyd to serve as chair.

Elaine asked for volunteers to serve on the nominating committee for Region 12 President. Ray Wensell moved that the same three gentlemen serve as both committees. This was seconded by Phill Marth. Motion passed.

Virginia Gregory issued an invitation to the 2010 Spring Regional to be hosted by the Central Florida Daylily Society. It will be held Mother's Day weekend, May 7th and 8th. There will be four gardens on tour: Wayne and Fern Johnson, Bob and Sara Martin, Jo Ann and Paul Little, and C.J. and Virginia

Gregory. Luddy Lambertson will be the speaker.

Phill Marth announced that "mecca" would be the weekend following the Spring Regional.

A motion was made by Ottis Houston and seconded by Ray Wensell to make a donation to AHS to the William E. Monroe Endowment Fund Trust in memory of Marjorie Kinnebrew, Dave Talbott, and Dan Stateler. After discussion, the amount was set at \$1000. Motion passed

Ray Wensell moved the meeting be adjourned.

Submitted by
Kay Smith, Secretary

Future Region 12 Meetings:

Spring 2010	Central Florida Daylily Society (May 7-8)
Fall 2010	Suwannee Valley Daylily Society (October 2)
Spring 2011	Suwannee Valley Daylily Society
Fall 2011	North Florida Daylily Society
Spring 2012	North Florida Daylily Society
Fall 2012	TBD
Spring 2013	Bay Area Daylily Society
Fall 2013	TBD



H. 'Lynnstar'
Photo by Tee Money, Alabama



H. 'Riot on the Kindergarten Buss II'
Photo by Tee Money, Alabama

Treasurer's Report

Mark Headley, Plant City, FL

Beginning Aug. 23, 2009

Checking: General	\$16,615.84
CD	\$10,600.51
Savings	\$5.00
Total:	\$27,221.35

Receipts:

National Convention Auction	\$1,853.00
AHS (Newsletter Reimbursement)	\$279.00
CD Dividend	\$79.61
Total Receipts:	\$2,211.61

Disbursements:

Transfer to Savings	
(Yearly activity required to keep account open)	\$5.00
AHS Insurance	\$75.25
Region 12 Newsletter Expenses	\$200.00
Bank Fee	\$12.00
Total Disbursements	\$212.00

Balance as of Dec. 31, 2009

Checking: General	\$18,455.59
CD	\$10,680.12
Savings	\$10.00
Total Funds	\$29,145.71



H. 'Heavenly Blues'
Photo by Tee Money, Alabama

Region 12 Exhibitions Judges

Last Name	1st Name	Refresher	Year	Address	City	State	Zip	PH #	Email Address
Alito	Elaine	EX-I	2012	6171 47th Ave, N	Kenneth City	FL	33709-0000	727-544-9207	ealito1@tampabay.rr.com
Blagbrough	Joan	E/H	0	1322 SE Brewster Place	Stuart	FL	34997-0000	772-288-6559	
Bouchard	John	EX	2012	104 S. Tarragona Street	Pensacola	FL	32502-6031	850-438-5595	jbouchard@escambia.k12.fl.us
Carter	Mauldin	EX-I	2012	1800 E Gadsdent St	Pensacola	FL	32501-3533	904-438-5595	carterm3@bellsouth.net
Clumm	Edward	EX	2013	1836 8th St	Orlando	FL	32820-2407	407-568-0956	ed.clumm@worldnet.att.net
Clumm	Susan	EX	2013	1836 8th St	Orlando	FL	32820-2407	407-568-0956	clumm@juno.com
Crane	Greg	E/J	2012	4251 14th Lane NE	St. Peterburg	FL	33703	205-454-8116	gcrane@fbcstpete.org
Dickson	Thomas	EX	2012	6700 Highway 99	Molino	FL	32577	850-587-3029	tomdicksondaylily@yahoo.com
Dolge	Kathy	S	2012	10728 Lawsonia Links Dr.	Jacksonville	FL	32267	904-777-2267	kdolge@bellsouth.net
Fallman, Jr.	Fred W.	EX-I	2011	10625 Point Overlook Dr	Clermont	FL	34711-7319	352-241-8070	daylily59@aol.com
Godke	Rick	EX	2013	1579 Redbird Creek Dr	Jacksonville	FL	32221-3293	904-693-3501	rgodke@yahoo.com
Goodell	Curtis	E/J	2012	1729 Coulee Ave	Jacksonville	FL	32210	904-781-5092	curtisgoodell@comcast.net
Gord-Noghani	Harriet	S	2013	6120 Audubon Manor	Lithia	FL	33547	813-662-9900	ltcq@yahoo.com
Gregory	C.J.	EX	2010	3801 Pelican Lane	Orlando	FL	32803-3030	407-896-9232	cvgregory@mpinet.net
Gregory	Virginia	EX	2010	3801 Pelican Lane	Orlando	FL	32803-3030	407-896-9232	cvgregory@mpinet.net
Harvey	Emelina	E/H	0	5341 Locksley Ave.	Orlando	FL	32810-4935	407-298-2161	
Harvey	James H.	EX	2013	5341 Locksley Ave.	Orlando	FL	32810-4935	407-298-2161	
Headley	Mark	EX	2012	1110 W. Cason Street	Plant City	FL	33565-0000	813-759-6924	markalden1@tampabay.rr.com
Hite	Gloria	EX	2010	1 Key Capri Unit 312 E	Treasure Island	FL	33706-4912	727-432-0356	gloriahite@aol.com
Hoffman	Dennis	EX	2013	6100 90th Ave	Pinellas Park	FL	33782	722-547-5345	eswdlh@earthlink.com
Horton	Betty	S	2012	1775 Kingsley Ave.	Orange Park	FL	32073	904-264-3321	
Houston	Ottis	EX-I	2010	RT10 Box 841					
				6100 90th Ave	Lake City	FL	32025-9180	386-752-4654	comahoust@aol.com
Howell	Opal	EX-I	2012	926 Rosemary Terrace	Tallahassee	FL	32303-3909	850-386-1076	opal@nettally.com
Johnson	Fern	EX-I	2011	1651 Palm Ave	Winter Park	FL	32789-1648	407-647-7096	glojohn@worldnet.att.net
Johnson	Geoffrey	S	2012	70 Lark Ave	Brooksville	FL	34601-1319	952-544-0330	jeff@johnsondaylily.com
Johnson	Wayne	E/H	0	1651 Palm Ave	Winter Park	FL	32789-1648	407-647-7096	glojohn@worldnet.att.net
Kinnebrew	John	EX	2010	Box 224	Scottsmoor	FL	32775-0224	321-267-7985	Kinnebrewdaylily@cfl.rr.com
Little	Paul R.	S	2007	3310 Rider Place	Orlando	FL	32817-0000	407-679-1519	littlepr6@earthlink.net
Matutino	Henry	EX-I	2011	4224 Settlers Ct	St. Cloud	FL	34772-0000	407-957-7010	hmatutino@att.net
Matutino	Robin	E/J	2013	4224 Settlers Ct	St. Cloud	FL	34772-0000	407-744-2595	cangelsb4u@aol.com
May	Alison L.	S	2012	741 Park Ave., #229	Orange Park	FL	32073	904-579-4610	
May	Linda	S	2012	597 Charles Carroll St.	Orange Park	FL	32073	904-276-7102	maylily17@yahoo.com
Mercer	Sara Jill	EX	2011	364 Hickory Lane	Havana	FL	32333-0000	850-539-5775	sajime@aol.com
Norris	Jean	H-I	0	115 Larkwood Dr.	Sanford	FL	32771-3640	407-322-4436	grmapapa@bellsouth.net
Norris	William A.	H-I	0	115 Larkwood Dr.	Sanford	FL	32771-3640	407-322-4436	grmapapa@bellsouth.net
O'Bar	Dale	S	2012	8942 Easton River Dr	Jacksonville	FL	32257	904-739-3237	dobar@comcast.net
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Page	Richard	EX	2013	6350 Allmont St.	Port St. John	FL	32927-8991	321-639-1345	nrgpage@cfl.rr.com
Perry	Gene	E/J	2012	226 SW Whippoorwill Way	Lake City	FL	32024	386-530-4768	geneperry@att.net
Roberts	Maryzell	EX	2012	1414 Idlewild Dr	Tallahassee	FL	32311-5310	850-878-0449	Ray10330@embargmail.com
Sample	Linda	EX-I	2011	3603 Lightner Drive	Tampa	FL	33629-8231	813-831-8294	glsample@verizon.net
Sewell	Floyd	EX-I	2011	1831 Ocean Dr. S	Jacksonville Bch	FL	32250-6242	904-200-6528	floyd@floydsewell.com
Shacter	Carolyn	EX-I	2013	5418 Weller Pl	Jacksonville	FL	32211-6965	no listing	shacterc@educationcentral.org
Smith	Kay	EX-I	2012	232 Gulf Blvd	Indian Rocks Beach	FL	33785	727-595-5991	kayasmith@earthlink.net
Stevens	Frankie B.	EX	2013	4748 Avon Ln	Jacksonville	FL	32210-7504	904-389-0445	
Suarez	Jennifer	EX-I	2011	P.O. Box 136032	Clermont	FL	34713-6032	863-258-2828	suarzjen@gmail.com
Weber	Pat	EX	2013	8892 SE 118th Lane	Summerfield	FL	34491	352-307-6945	pweber@lightningspeed.net
Wensell	Ray	E/J	2012	1900 St. George Ct.	Middleburg	FL	32068	904-215-9457	rtcritter1@bellsouth.net
Winkler	Betty	EX	2010	2511 W. Tharpe Street	Tallahassee	FL	32303-3307	850-385-2682	
Wyatt	Ray	S	2012	12433 Reginald Dr.	Jacksonville	FL	32246	904-220-4359	

CLUB REPORTS

Bay Area Daylily Society

In 2010, The Bay Area Daylily Society decided it was time for a redesigned website. We hope you'll give us a click and check it out.

A review of the year so far, shows we have kept a busy schedule. Way back in September, we opened our season with a meeting held at Linda Sample's Tampa garden. It was a packed house with a few new and returning members attending. Elaine Alito organized the program featuring a slide show from the AHS National Convention, Daylilies in Paradise.

In October, the club took a field trip to the AHS Region 12 Fall Meeting hosted by the North Florida Daylily Society. Kay Smith and Elaine Alito organized car pools for members to attend.

As many people were out of town on the third week of November, Kay invited members to her Indian Rocks Beach house for a casual meeting to watch the sunset and have dinner at a local favorite seafood restaurant, Crabby Bills.

Our members always look forward to December for our annual Holiday Dinner and "dirty Santa" gift exchange. This year, the potluck dinner was held at my house in St. Petersburg. The weather was warm enough to allow for poolside dining. This event brings out members' culinary talents. Some dishes have become favorites, such as Vice President Jay Jarmin's apple pie. This year the dirty Santa gift that inspired much swapping was a box of horse poop (and a daylily to go with it!)

I arranged the opening meeting of 2010, which turned out to be a timely presentation by Jason Beck from Wilcox Nursery. He discussed landscaping with native plants. Members contributed finger food and the church supplied coffee. Jason brought a large variety of plants to show and sell. He also showed a PowerPoint presentation demonstrating before-and-after landscape designs. He talked about how to choose trees, shrubs and ground cover for use in bright sun and deep shade areas. This information was helpful for a couple visiting our meeting and who had just moved to Florida from "up North." Jason defined drought-tolerant plants and the growing habits of plants and grasses in different environments. Members had many questions about cold hardiness of some of their favorite landscape plants, as this was the weekend of a freeze.

Linda Sample organized our February meeting and it will feature Robert Linde, Reg. Herbalist and Acupuncture Physician who will inform us about 'Edible and Medicinal Herbs in Our Own Back Yards'. March begins our busy season. First there's the Green-fest show chaired by Gayle Nipper. It is held in Tampa; next, April keeps everyone busy getting ready for our annual May flower show. Then, just a couple of weeks later, we have our end-of-the-season picnic at Johnson's Daylily Garden.

Looking forward to a colorful blooming season,
Kyle Pierson

Central Florida Daylily Society

The Central Florida Daylily Society's year began with an Executive Board planning meeting in August. One of the major events for the year will be hosting the 2010 Region 12 Spring Meeting, and Bob Martin and Phill Marth volunteered to chair the meeting. It was decided not to hold a spring flower show as the regional meeting would take a considerable amount of time and energy.

In September, J.D. Stadler of Celestial Gardens in Charlotte, NC was our guest speaker. J.D. has some beautiful introductions including several doubles and some very black daylilies in addition to large flowers of many hues. Club members eagerly bid on the cultivars (including some 2010 introductions) that J.D. generously brought to auction off for the club's benefit.

Dr. Richard Tyson, Director of Orange County Extension Services, was our October speaker. Dr. Tyson covered a broad range of topics including daylilies, soils, and organic culture.

We had a real treat in November when Pete von Lersner of the Tropical Fruit Society presented an interesting program on

his top fruits for central Florida gardens. In addition he brought samples for us to taste including Pomelo, jaboticaba, lychee, and miracle fruit.

In December we held our annual Holiday Party potluck. This is always a popular event due to the great food, excellent fellowship, and garden-related gift exchange.

Our own Bob Martin gave a step-by-step presentation on making your own self-watering containers for container gardening. Bob and Sarah use these containers to grow a large variety of vegetables throughout the year. The beauty is the design not only makes it easy to keep them watered, but the lids also keep weeds to a minimum.

We are looking forward to programs regarding vermicomposting and Frank Smith's daylilies in the upcoming months. In March our meeting will be superceded by our participation in the Leu Gardens Plant Sale, and in May we will host the Spring Regional Meeting in place of our show. Hope to see you all there!

Sunbelt Daylily Chapter Happenings

Our year began with a flurry of activity which culminated with the AHS 2009 Annual Convention at St Mary FL. This turned out to be an outstanding success despite the extremely wet weather. The gardens held up very well, even though some were past peak bloom, several others were blooming on cue. Our appreciation goes to all who helped this National event be a resounding success.

Since then our numbers at meetings declined to 11 and then to 7 in September. Four of the 7 were elected officers. This led to discussions on what the future of the club was to be, and the cancellation of the November meeting. It is very sad that the club has lost the support of many hybridizers in the area with the notable exception of Pat & Grace Stamile, Frank Smith and Nicole Harry. Attendance picked up at the January meeting when a number of our winter visitors came. Even so the decision has been taken to have the club go inactive effective 1st May 2010 as our regular members continue to be absent.

A bus trip to Fairchild Gardens is in the works for March 6th and 7th 2010, the bus will be paid for by The Sunbelt club and free trips offered to BADS and Central Florida Daylily Society

The passing of Dan Stateler and Margie Kinnebrew shocked us all, they will be sadly missed as too will Paul Bozenhard. All were active within the club.

A Joint Sunbelt Daylily Chapter/ Central Florida daylily society, Christmas Party was held at Bob & Sara Martin's home and attended by some 20 plus members of both clubs, everyone enjoyed a good afternoon of eating and comradeship.

The recent cold spell has decimated my Daylily beds, we can only hope for a quick and complete recovery prior to the Regional meeting in May.

Happy Gardening,
Bob Martin

Tallahassee Daylily Society

The first meeting of the year was held on January 24, 2010. Since the society does not hold meetings during the winter holidays, this was our first official meeting since October. There was a large turnout of the members and also several visitors, in spite of the cold weather.

Doug Hawthorne had been asked to document the allocation of additional door prizes which the club had approved in October. The purpose of the prizes was to encourage club growth and attendance. The club has set aside \$500 for the door prizes, and any member can be a grower provider. Money to be spent will be \$100 for each meeting. Mark Sattelmeier owner of Abundant Daylilies will bring plants for the February meeting. March and April meetings will be \$200 for each meeting and suppliers will be chosen prior to the meeting date.

Our club believes that it is our duty, and the purpose of AHS, to advance the understanding and growth of daylilies in our community. We are planning a Daylily exhibit and sale on May 22, 2010. Opal Howell announced that she and Mary Zell had checked out Thomasville Baptist Church Fellowship Hall and the application to use this location was submitted for their approval. Motion was made and approved to have this festival, pending approval of our application. A committee was appoint-

ed consisting of Joe Agosta, Opal Howell and Sharon Oberlin to finalize the plans for this festival. The tentative plans are for a daylily display area featuring different cultivars from our club members as well as the sale and education areas.

A motion was approved to make a donation to AHS in the name of Hugh Gandy. He was a long time member of our club who was recently deceased. The club also received acknowledgement from AHS for donations made in the names of Marjorie Kinnebrew, Dan Stateler, and Mary Francis Donaldson. Mary was also a long time member of our club.

Members were reminded to send in their registration for the AHS National Convention in Valdosta this spring.

After the business meeting refreshments provided by the members were enjoyed prior to a very enjoyable program by Fred and Kathleen Manning of Lillian, Alabama, who treated us to a presentation of their culture and most recent introductions. They also provided us with several plants which were auctioned to the highest bidders at the close of the meeting.

The next meeting of the society will be held on Sunday, February 28, 2010. The scheduled program will be Dan & Jane Trimmer of Watermill Gardens.

Suwannee Valley Daylily Society

Suwannee Valley Daylily Society (SVDS) has been as busy “as bees after the daylilies” this past several months. The club is active and thriving.

Last June SVDS adopted a points system designed to encourage participation and reward members for their efforts. Everyone has been anxious to earn lots of points. They receive points for any club-related activity from serving as an officer to bringing door prizes. In October we will have a picnic/auction especially planned to enable members to spend their earned points. Each point is worth one dollar. If anyone is interested in learning more about this system for your club contact Reba Ridaught at lilyfarm@ridaught.com.

We had a wonderful party at Ottis and Mary Ann Houston's garden in June last year and then we took the next couple of months off. Beginning the new year in September, we have been enjoying interesting speakers at each of our meetings.



Tim Herrington was our featured speaker for the September meeting. His presentation was full of wisdom and humor. He is developing some beautiful daylilies. We all enjoy

his daylily, Dorothy and Toto. At this meeting we auctioned Dan Trimmer's 2009 collection. The auction was very successful.

At the September meeting, according to club protocol, out-going President, Gene Perry, was given an AHS life-time membership for his service as President of SVDS.

Jeff and Elizabeth Salter spoke at the October meeting. We enjoyed their program. We are so happy to have them as members of SVDS since they have moved to the Gainesville area.

In October, we auctioned an assortment of 50 pots of recently introduced daylilies from various hybridizers that sold very well and club members got some real bargains. These were all donated to benefit the club.

Our guest speaker in November was Nicole Harry. We enjoyed having a new hybridizer give us her perspective on hybridizing. She has a great program and many very fine introductions. She has certainly developed a good hybridizing program in a short period of time. At this meeting we auctioned the 2009 Kinnebrew collection which was very successful.

SVDS's monthly newsletter added a new feature in November, “Spotlight on SVDS Members”. Frances and Buck Busby



were featured in the November issue. Their garden will be on tour at the 2010 AHS Convention.

In December the club traveled to Valdosta for a Christmas party. The Valdosta club invited us to join them for dinner and a meeting at Ocean Pond Fishing Club. Ocean Pond Fishing club is a private club that was formed in 1902. The food was delicious and we had a great time. The party was arranged by Frances and Buck Busby who are members of the Valdosta Club, SVDS and the Fishing Club.

Larry and Cindy Grace of Graceland Gardens, Newton, Alabama, came for the January meeting. They gave a great program and brought a generous group of plants, which included their 2010 collection. If you are interested in some innovation into hybridizing green daylilies Larry is the man. Thank you Larry for a wonderful program and your generosity.

Our “Spotlight Members” for the January newsletter were Jo and Wayne Taunton. Their garden will be on tour at the 2010 AHS Convention.

Phil Reilly will speak to us in February and his 2010 collection will be auctioned. We are looking forward to this meeting.

SVDS annual daylily show will be May 22, 2010 in Lake City.

SVDS will host the Region 12 Fall Regional meeting in October. Please make plans to attend.

As you can see, the Suwannee Valley Daylily Society is alive and well. We are

having lots of fun. You are all invited to join us!

Respectfully submitted,

Reba Ridaught



Pensacola Daylily Club

The Pensacola Daylily Club meets at the Pensacola Garden Center in Pensacola, Florida. The Garden Center is located at 1850 North 9th Avenue. Meetings are held on the 2nd Monday of the month during the months of September through June.

October is when we hold our annual plant auction. This year Tom Dickson grew off the two collections our club purchased from Stamile. Our club auction was a great success and it allows members to add beautiful new plants to their collections.

To celebrate the Holiday Season club members and their guest met for food and fellowship at a local restaurant. At this time we voted on the next daylily collection that the club will purchase.

At our January meeting Fred Manning was our guest speaker. Fred and Kathleen Manning have Daylily Place in Lillian, Alabama. Fred presented a power point program of his new introductions and favorite seedlings.

In February we were pleased to have Larry Grace as our speaker. Larry and his family live in Dothan, Alabama and own Graceland Gardens. Larry shared with us his love of hybridizing and advancements in his program.

Other projects we have taken part in this year include donating plants to establish a Daylily garden at the Orange Beach Art Gallery, and presenting programs at garden clubs in our area. We strive to introduce Daylilies to both the new and seasoned gardener.

We will once again be involved with the Milton Flower Festival, selling plants and providing educational information. Plans are to have an accredited show this year on May 16, 2010. We will also have a plant sale in conjunction with the show.

Our members are anxiously awaiting a fabulous blooming season and gearing up for some great Road Trips.

Submitted by
Suzi Matteson

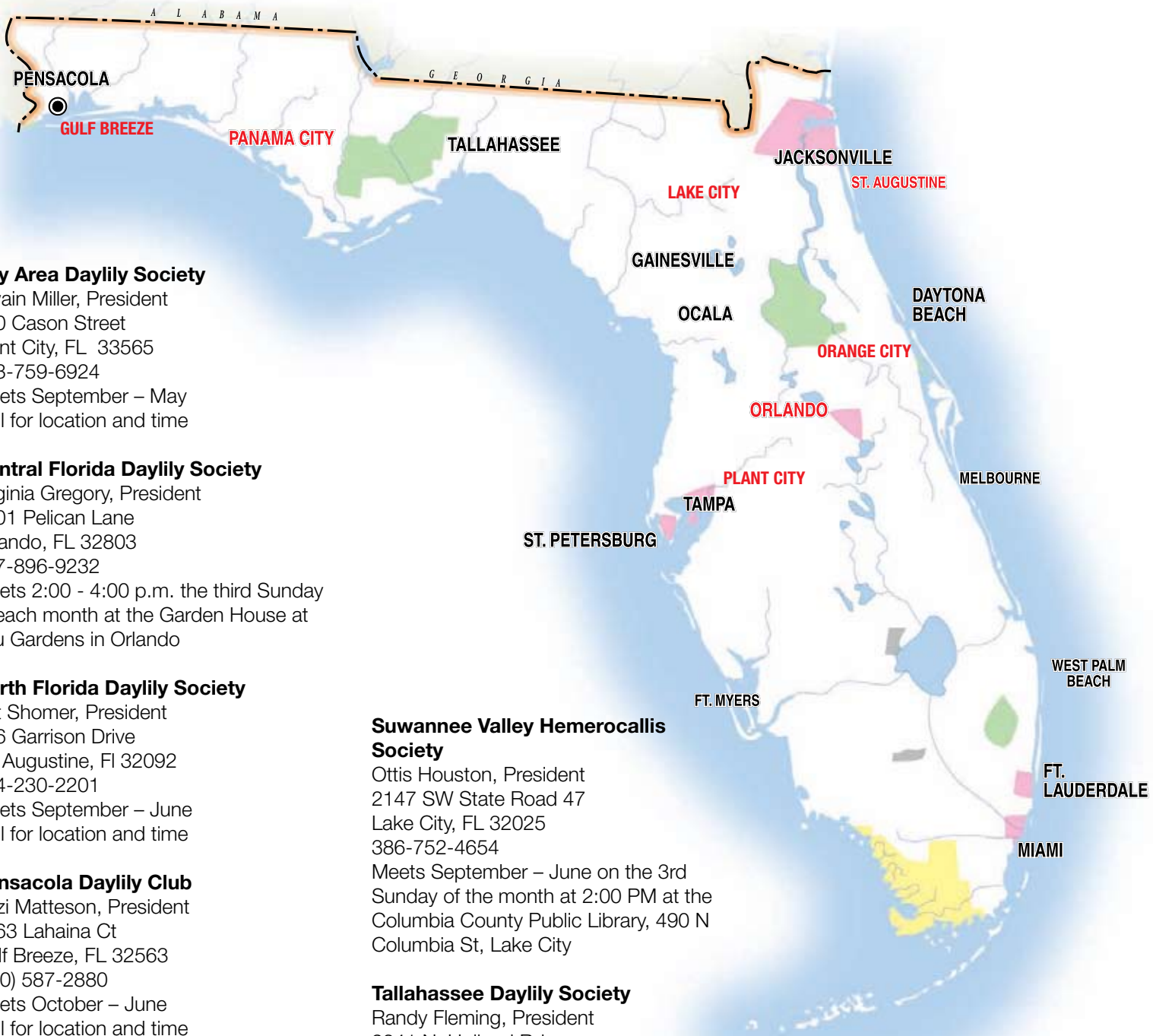


H. 'Small Gesture'
Photo by Tee Money, Alabama



H. 'True Blue Heart II'
Photo by Tee Money, Alabama

Region 12 Daylily Clubs



Bay Area Daylily Society

Dwain Miller, President
 110 Cason Street
 Plant City, FL 33565
 813-759-6924
 Meets September – May
 Call for location and time

Central Florida Daylily Society

Virginia Gregory, President
 3801 Pelican Lane
 Orlando, FL 32803
 407-896-9232
 Meets 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. the third Sunday
 of each month at the Garden House at
 Leu Gardens in Orlando

North Florida Daylily Society

Pat Shomer, President
 866 Garrison Drive
 St. Augustine, FL 32092
 904-230-2201
 Meets September – June
 Call for location and time

Pensacola Daylily Club

Suzi Matteson, President
 1663 Lahaina Ct
 Gulf Breeze, FL 32563
 (850) 587-2880
 Meets October – June
 Call for location and time

Sunbelt Daylily Chapter

Bob Martin, President
 1636 Sunset Avenue
 Orange City, FL 32763
 386-775-0726
 Meets September – April on the 1st
 Sunday of the month at 2:00 PM at the
 Seminole County Extension Center in
 Sanford

Suwannee Valley Hemerocallis Society

Ottis Houston, President
 2147 SW State Road 47
 Lake City, FL 32025
 386-752-4654
 Meets September – June on the 3rd
 Sunday of the month at 2:00 PM at the
 Columbia County Public Library, 490 N
 Columbia St, Lake City

Tallahassee Daylily Society

Randy Fleming, President
 9341 N. Holland Rd.
 Panama City, FL 32409
 850-271-9431
 Meets September – April
 (except December)
 Call for location and time

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New members who join at any level and members who renew at a higher level will receive a voucher worth \$25.00 or more toward daylilies from a participating vendor

Benefits of membership:

- AHS is your link to the world of daylilies. Expand your daylily horizons and make friendships for life!
- Membership includes a subscription to *The Daylily Journal* (four issues per year)
- Members become part of their AHS Region at no additional cost and receive a regional newsletter
- AHS activities include conventions, garden tours, symposiums, and auctions
- Many members enjoy daylily discussion groups called robins, either by mail or online
- Through local clubs, AHS offers workshops for prospective Exhibition and Garden Judges whose votes determine the winners of major daylily awards

See www.daylilies.org for more information and a membership application!

Come for the flowers. Stay for the people!



Region 12 of the American Hemerocallis Society

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