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**Congratulations to Region 4 Member Charmaine Rich for the
100,000th ADS daylily registration 'Alpenglow Magic' (Rich, 2024)**

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On The Cover:

100,000th ADS Registration
'Alpenglow Magic' (Rich 2024)
photo by Charmaine Rich

Words from Charmaine:

"Along with everyone in our daylily hobby, I was awaiting the news of what new cultivar would be the 100,000th registration. It was a total surprise when Registrar Elizabeth Trotter called me to say that 'Alpenglow Magic' (Rich 2024) was the lucky number 100,000! As a hybridizer focusing on northern hardy, sculpted form daylilies, it's exciting for me to see 'Alpenglow Magic' holding this milestone in daylily history, showcasing one aspect of the progress made in daylily hybridizing from the first registration to the 100,000th."



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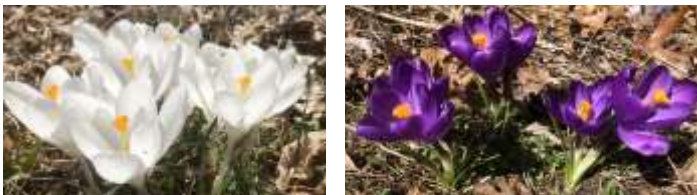
From the Editor

Spring Greetings to all!

The calendar says spring but the thermometer is still showing winter here in New Hampshire. During the last week of March, much of the northeast was buried in almost 2 feet of snow! That hasn't stopped the crocuses from sprouting, though! We've had a few warm days here and there to tease us and let us know that Spring is on the way. Hang in there....It won't be long!

I've had the problem of lots of junk mail in my personal email inbox and have lost track of important email so please take note of the new email address I will be using for correspondence relating to this newsletter. Going forward, please send info intended for the newsletter to adsregion4newsletter@gmail.com.

I love to hear from you so please send me photos and stories that I can include in the fall newsletter! Carl and I are looking forward to going to the CanAm. I hope you get to enjoy lots of warm days in your daylily garden!



Best regards,

Marlene Harmon

Region 4 Newsletter Editor



ADS Region 4 spans states and provinces in US and Canada. They are shown in the lighter color on the map above.

Editorial Policy

The editorial focus of this publication centers on the genus *Hemerocallis*, ADS and Region 4 events, Region 4 members and hybridizers. Submissions are encouraged. The editor reserves the right to edit for space, grammar, clarity and content.

Submission Guidelines:

Send high resolution photographs, reports on Region 4 club news and events, articles on daylilies, garden writeups and/or non-commercial profiles on Region 4 hybridizers.

Submit material via email. Please send text as a file attachment in Word. Send photographs as separate attachments. Obtain the copyright/consent form from the editor, sign and return. If you have inquiries regarding submissions, articles, photos or corrections, please email the Region 4 Editor: adsregion4newsletter@gmail.com

Submission deadline for the Fall 2024 issue is October 15, 2024

email: adsregion4newsletter@gmail.com

Thanks to all who sent submissions for this issue of *Daylilies in The Great Northeast*, as well as those who offered advice and support!

A special thank you to proof readers: Melodye Campbell, Lis Murphy, Kelly Noel, Luanne Madden and Chris Petersen.

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Is it time for you to renew your membership? Please check the outer jacket of The Daylily Journal for the expiration date of your membership. Use the form to mail in your renewal or gift membership or see the link below to pay online.

Membership Rates effective Jan. 1, 2024:

Individual (1 year) \$30

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Dual life Membership \$600

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Make checks payable to **American Hemerocallis Society** and mail to: **AHS**, c/o Chris Tyler, ADS Membership Manager, 3210 SW 109TH STREET, Wakarusa, KS 66546-9556 or pay online at: <https://daylilies.org/membership/>

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* note name change and website & facebook changes

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Region 4 Website:

<http://www.AHSregion4.org/>

Visit the website for: information and links to all R4 Daylily Clubs, Garden and Exhibition Judges, ADS Official Display Gardens, Daylily Sellers, Hybridizers, National and Regional Awards, and much more!

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All donations are tax deductible. In December 1979, IRS issued a determination letter that recognized the American Daylily Society as exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

ADS Region 4 Director's Message

We are happy to welcome our new AHS president, Rhonda Veroeven, to Region 4 for two visits in the coming months.

Rhonda will be a speaker at the CanAm in Toronto on May 4th. The CanAm draws visitors from Regions 2 and 4. In addition to Rhonda, speakers include Allan Banks from Head of Jeddore in Nova Scotia, Ross Kenyon from Corfu in New York, Matt Meadows from Westerville in Ohio, Tom and Elaine Smoulder from Warren in Pennsylvania and Kristen Hatfield from Zanesville in Ohio. An Agricultural Inspector will be available on site to provide phyto certificates at no charge to those needing a phyto to take their daylilies across the border.

A special thanks goes out to Dave Mussar who is organizing a second visit for Rhonda to Ontario during bloom time in late July. Ontario is a vast province stretching from Manitoba in the west to Ottawa and Montreal in the east with fabulous daylily gardens almost everywhere in between. Dave is going to have difficulty deciding which gardens can be worked into Rhonda's visit unless she's prepared to stay for several weeks. Just maybe she should.

This year's Regional business meeting is being held in Toronto at the CanAm on May 4th.

Our AHS National is in Oklahoma City on June 12th to 15th. The theme is "Daylilies Galore". The prairie landscape is breathtaking this time of year as are the daylily gardens. There is a not to be missed optional tour that includes the internationally recognized Myriad Botanical Gardens, the First Americans Museum and a Toby Keith lunch. I am signing up for it. The two convention hotels are moderately priced suite hotels with wonderfully spacious rooms. I have stayed in the Embassy Suites Hotel. The suites are larger than my apartment when I was at law school, but that was many years ago when the world was smaller.

Rhonda has named me to chair the AHS Long Range Planning Committee. It is important to identify ideas and events that have been a success at the local club level. The AHS is a success and will be a success in the long term if we have vibrant local clubs that are fun to join and to be a part of. I am looking for gardeners who might want to be a part of the Long Range Planning Committee or who simply want to contribute ideas. If you want to be a member of the AHS Long Range Planning Committee or just want to share ideas that have worked in your daylily club or some other club that you have been a part of, please contact me at bderrah@gmail.com.

Lastly, Russ Allen, the outgoing director for Region 4, deserves many thanks. Russ took me under his wing to explain the responsibilities of a director. Hopefully an old guy like me can remember a few of the insights Russ shared.

Brian Derrah

ADS Region 4 Director



Brian Derrah - Region 4 Director

Articles wanted for Fall Issue

Is your garden an ADS Display garden or do you have a good story to tell about hybridizing or any other topic which might be of interest to others in Region 4? We welcome your submissions!

We would like to feature some of the display gardens in our Region in our Fall issue of *The Daylilies in the Great Northeast*. Or, maybe you have a good story to tell about something related to daylilies? If you'd like your garden or story to be included, please send photos and a description of your garden or your story to adsregion4newsletter@gmail.com by October 15, 2024.

ADS Region 4 President's Message

April brings the long-anticipated coming of spring, enveloping the garden with vibrant shades of green! Daffodils, hyacinths, primroses and tulips are bursting into bloom while, hostas, daylilies, ferns and lilies are beginning to unfurl new growth, promising a season of lushness ahead. The resplendent blooms of hellebores continue to steal the show, while azaleas and viburnum contribute to the colorful display.

I'd like to remind you of some upcoming events that you may want to attend this spring and summer. On May 3 – 4th, the Canadian American Daylily Meeting (CanAm) will be held in Ontario, Canada. The Region 4 Annual Business meeting will be held before lunch on Saturday. I hope to see lots of daylily friends there!

After a year's hiatus, The Long Island Daylily Society (LIDS) will be holding an accredited daylily show entitled "Treasured Gardens" on Saturday, July 7th at Planting Fields Arboretum in Oyster Bay, NY. In addition, the New England Daylily Society will hold a judged daylily show and sale on Saturday, July 13th at New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill in Boylston, Massachusetts. Both of these arboretums boast extensive collections of diverse plantings, serving as a great source of inspiration for all visitors.

Also, many clubs will be holding daylily sales this spring and summer. Check club calendars and websites for dates of these sales.

Hybridizers may be getting excited about seeing bloom on their new creations and some great candidates for the Region 4 Hybridizer Award are featured in this issue. Don't forget to vote for your pick!



Chris Petersen - Region 4 President



Additionally, remember to capture plenty of photographs this summer and consider entering your favorites in the Region 4 photo contest. You can find the rules in this issue and on the Region 4 website.

Finally, I'd like to extend a heartfelt welcome to Brian Derrah as our new AHS Region 4 Director!

In friendship,
Chris Petersen
Region 4 President

Helleborus Ivory Prince
Photo by Chris Petersen

Regional Meeting Hosts for 2025 and 2026 needed

Please consider if your club or personal garden would be able to host a Summer or Fall Regional Meeting. The bylaws state we need to hold an annual meeting to discuss topics related to the Region, but we need a place for the meeting. The event can be a simple one - held in conjunction with a summer picnic or a more elaborate event with four gardens and a banquet. It can also be a late summer or fall meeting with a speaker. Please email me at chrspn@optonline.net if you would be willing to host a meeting. There is help available from myself and others in the region.

ADS Region 4 Treasurer's Report

AMERICAN HEMEROCALLIS SOCIETY

REGION 4

Statement of Income and Expenses

January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023

Funds available on January 1, 2023 \$28,421.79

INCOME

NEDS Donation	\$	330.88
HADS Donation		252.79
Newsletter Advertising		125.00

TOTAL INCOME \$708.67

EXPENSES

*Reg. Director	\$	0.00
*Reg. President		0.00
*Reg. Publicity Director		0.00
Newsletter Editors		500.00
Awards		73.87

TOTAL EXPENSES \$573.87

*Region 4 Director Russ Allen (\$1,250)

*Region 4 President Christine Petersen (\$750)

*Region 4 Publicity Director Dave Mussar (\$500)

All three have donated their expenses (\$2,500) to Region 4 General Fund. Thank you.

Assets:

Cape Cod 5 Checking Account* \$ 6,577.78

Interest earned - \$1.09

DWS Money Market \$ 22,943.11

Interest earned - \$816.46

*Deposited \$14,000 to the DWS Money Market account.

Funds available on January 1, 2024 \$29,520.89

Youth Funds Available 2024 (CDS) \$871.00

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Pessoni

Treasurer, Region 4

ADS Region 4 Exhibition Judge's Liaison Report

Hello,

I'm Frank Chaloupecky, the Region 4 Exhibition Judge's Liaison. I've been a member of AHS, LIDS and an Exhibition Judge for 20 years and have participated in daylily flower shows in many capacities. If you are having a flower show and need judges or are a judge looking to judge or are a judge in need of taking refresher courses, I am here to help. Also, if your club is offering refresher courses, let me know. Flower shows are a fun family activity and I would like to encourage you to participate. My contact info is chaloupecky@yahoo.com or 516-674-4119.

Frank Chaloupecky

AHS Region 4 Exhibition Judge Liaison



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ADS Region 4 Garden Judge's Liaison Report

Greeting Region 4 members. If you are visiting daylily gardens, please consider becoming a Garden Judge. Garden Judges evaluate daylilies growing in a garden setting and vote annually for outstanding cultivars in their Region by submitting their favorites on the ADS Awards and Honors Ballot. These awards include the Stout Silver Medal, The Award of Merit, Honorable Mention as well as other specialty awards. Visit the site <https://daylilies.org/daylilies/awards> to see descriptions of all the awards that you will be able to vote on.

To become a Garden Judge, you must successfully complete Garden Judges Workshop 1, which is being offered at this year's National Convention in Oklahoma City. Workshop 1 is also offered periodically online during the year by ADS.

After completing Workshop 1, you must take Workshop 2 which takes place in a garden. This is where you will practice point scoring daylilies with an instructor. Workshop 2 is also offered at Oklahoma City and Region 3 is offering it at their Regional Meeting on June 29. Please reach out if you would like to attend the Region 3 meeting in June. Also, there are several Garden Judges Instructors in Region 4. A workshop could be arranged if there is enough interest.

Garden Judges who need to apply for re-appointment will need to take Garden Judges Workshop 3 starting this year. Since Workshop 3 is a Power Point presentation, it can be taken online or in a classroom setting.

If you are interested in becoming a Garden Judge, please visit the ADS Members Portal on the Garden Judges Home page <https://www.daylilynetwork.org/page/GardenJudgesHome>. There you will find detailed information about the steps you need to take towards becoming a Garden Judge.

Best Regards,

Luanne Madden

Garden Judges Liaison Region 4

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Garden Judges (as of 2023)				
Last Name	First Name	Home City	GJ Instructor	Expiration
New Brunswick				
DERRAH	BRIAN	MT. PLEASANT		2027
Nova Scotia				
TROTT	DAVID	HALIFAX		2023
TROTT	MARY	HALIFAX		2023
Ontario				
FISH	JANE	ST THOMAS		2027
JEWELL	DAVID	LINDSAY		2023
MUSSAR	DAVE	PUSLINCH	Instructor	2023
STELTER	SALLY	GUELPH		2023

Last Name	First Name	Home City	GJ Instructor	Expiration
Quebec				
BLOUIN	JOCELYN	CAP-SANTE	Instructor	2023
POULIN	JEAN-SEBASTIEN	ST REDEMPTEUR		2026
THIBAUT	RENEE	ST-AUGUSTIN-DE-DESMAURES		2024
Connecticut				
ALLEN	RUSSELL	GUILFORD		2026
HOWARD	RICHARD	WALLINGFORD		2023
JONES	GARY	WOODSTOCK	Instructor	2027
NORDVALL	HELEN	TRUMBULL		2023
SMITH	DONALD	SOMERS		2027
SMITH	NANCY	SOMERS		2027
Massachusetts				
BAGHDAYAN	EMMANUEL	TEWKSBURY		2023
DOORAKIAN	PAULA	BEDFORD		2023
FISHER	MARY	WALPOLE	Instructor	2027
KING	SALLYANN	BOLTON		2024
LAPRISE	ELLEN	DUDLEY		2027
MURPHY	ELISABETH	PRINCETON		2025
REILLY	ANDREW	BOSTON		2026
RICCIO	THOMAS	DRACUT		2024
TURET	ADELE	FRANKLIN	Instructor	2023
VIAMARI	KATHY	LONGMEADOW		2026
WILKINSON	DARLYN S	TOPSFIELD		2023
Maine				
ROBINSON	HARRIETT	OTISFIELD		2024
New Hampshire				
DICKEY	CAROLYN	GILMANTON		2023
DICKEY	JOHN	GILMANTON		2023
HARMON	CARL	HUDSON		2023
HARMON	MARLENE	HUDSON		2023
STERN	CAMERON	HOLLIS		2026
New York				
HAI	ANTHONY	ORCHARD PARK	Instructor	2023
LUNDIN	JOAN-ANN	SETAUKET		2027
MADDEN	LUANNE	GLEN COVE		2026
MILLIKEN	PAM	GLEN COVE		2026
MOGLIA	GENE	SMITHTOWN		2026
PETERSEN	CHRISTINE	NORTHPORT	Instructor	2027
SABERNICK	BEVERLY	SPENCERPORT		2027
TURANO	JOAN	OAKDALE		2027
ZETTEK	CHARLES	ROCHESTER		2026
ZETTEK	JUDITH	ROCHESTER		2027
Rhode Island				
REED	KATHERINE L.	PAWTUCKET	Instructor	2024

Region 4 Display Gardens

The following is a list of AHS Display Gardens. Please reach out to the owner or liaison to set up a visit this summer.

CONNECTICUT

Allen Daylily Gardens

[Russ Allen](#)

18 Point Arrowhead Rd
Guilford, CT 06437
203-457-0121

CT Daylily

[Richard Howard](#)

76 Anderson Rd
Wallingford, CT 06492
203-294-9520

MAINE

Blue Hill Country Garden

[Don & Susan Church](#)

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Blue Hill, ME 04614
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Scapegoat Daylilies

[Kathe Marion-Gallant](#)

361 Reef Rd
Waldoboro, ME 04572
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Tina's Daylily & Historical Gardens

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Don Marvin Daylily Display Garden at Heritage Museums and Gardens

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Driftwood Gardens

[Daniel Pessoni](#)

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East Orleans (Cape Cod), MA 02653
508-255-9348

Flower Trail Garden

[Linda S. Burnett](#)

278 Mendon Rd
Sutton, MA 01590
508-865-7971

Laurel Ridge Gardens

[Elisabeth Murphy](#)

16 Laurel Ridge Rd
Princeton, MA 01541
508-498-5638

Pleasant Garden Daylilies

[Sally Ann & Bruce King](#)

111 Coventry Wood Rd
Bolton, MA 01740
978-770-5035

NEW BRUNSWICK & NEWFOUNDLAND --- NONE

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Fiona's Flowers

[Fiona Mckenna](#)

233 Ray St.
Manchester, NH 03104
603-860-7604

Harmon Hill Farm

[Carl & Marlene Harmon](#)

49 Ledge Rd
Hudson, NH 03051
603-880-6228

Parsonage Daylilies

[John & Carolyn Dickey](#)

8 High St (Rt. 107 & High St)
Gilmanton, NH 03237
603-267-6098

NEW YORK (DOWNSTATE & LONG ISLAND)

Hidden Harbor

[Christine Petersen](#)

167 Asharoken Ave
Northport, NY 11768
631-751-0043

Imagine & Historical Garden

[Joan-Ann Lundin](#)

25 Campus Dr
Setauket, NY 11733
631-751-7659

Limmer Garden

[Paul Limmer](#)

214 Tinton Place
E. Northport, NY 11731
631-266-2728

Garden Perennials

[Joan Turano](#)

114 Yale Ave.
Oakdale, NY 11769
631-589-2481

Planting Fields Arboretum

[Liaison: Pam Milliken](#)

1395 Planting Fields Road
Oyster Bay, NY 11771
516-922-8631

NEW YORK (UPSTATE)

Cobbs Hill Daylily Garden

[Judy & Charlie Zettek](#)

1 Hillside Ave
Rochester, NY 14610
585-461-3317

Cottage Gardens

[Brent & Debbie Ross](#)

4540 East Shelby RD
Medina NY 14103
585-813-5982

Cutler Botanic Garden

Cornell Cooperative Extension

[Liaison: ljs322@cornell.edu](mailto:ljs322@cornell.edu)

840 Upper Front St
Binghamton, NY 13905
607-772-8954

Daylily Days

[Deborah Landrio](#)

3261 State Highway 29
Johnstown, NY 12095
518-762-5853

Digger's Den Daylilies

[Ross Kenyon](#)

580 Cohocton Rd
Corfu, NY 14036
585-524-4643

Finger Lakes DS Display Garden

[Liaison: ILOVE%](#)

20GARDENING@Rochester.RR.com

Webster Arboretum
1700 Schlegel Rd
Webster, NY 14580

Grace Gardens

[Tom Rood](#)

1064 Angus Rd
Penn Yan, NY 14527
315-536-2556

Lilli O'Dae Gardens

[Thomas Slocum](#)

108 Skunk Rd
Ames. NY13317
518-673-2390

Ogden Historical Society

[Liaison: colbyjcolbym@gmail.com](mailto:colbyjcolbym@gmail.com)

568 Colby St
Spencerport, NY 14559

QB Daylily Gardens

[Dennis & Mary Quackenbush](#)

557 Sand Hill Rd
Caledonia, NY 14423
860-378-4742

Sunshine In the Garden Daylilies

[Christine Quataert](#)

12 Saveria Drive
Hilton, NY 14468
585-766-5949

The Weller Garden

[Cyril & Mary Weller](#)

817 Annabelle St.
Vestal, NY 13850
703-434-2087

NOVA SCOTIA

NONE

ONTARIO

NONE

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

NONE

QUEBEC

NONE

VERMONT

CatsHill Daylily Farm

[Susan Skelly](#)

502 Poker Hill Rd
Underhill, VT 05043
802-899-1983

Holdn' Heaven Daylily Garden

[Charmaine Rich](#)

1383 Quail John Rd
East Thetford, VT 05043
802-785-2916



See the article on the next page or visit <https://daylilies.org/daylilies/display-gardens/> to learn more about becoming a display garden or to find display gardens associated with the American Daylily Society.

How to Become an Official American Daylily Society Display Garden

By Chris Petersen, Asharoken, NY

There are currently over 240 official display gardens throughout the United States, Canada and Europe. Although Region 4 has a good number of official display gardens (see the list in this issue), there are no longer any display gardens in northeastern Canada! If you have not renewed your display garden application, please do so immediately!

At an approved display garden, a visitor can enjoy exploring a well-maintained garden with a wide variety of labeled daylilies. To find a display garden in your area, check the ADS website: <https://daylilies.org/daylilies/display-gardens/>.

If you are considering becoming an official display garden, certain criteria must be met:

- The owner or public garden liaison must be a member of ADS for at least two years and maintain membership in good standing.
- The possible garden designations are: ADS Display Garden, or Historical Daylily Display Garden, or both.
- For ADS display garden status, it's recommended that the garden feature a minimum of 100 different registered daylily cultivars.
- Historical daylilies encompass all daylily species, and cultivars registered 30 years prior to the current year. To qualify as a Historical Daylily display garden, a minimum of 50 registered cultivars is required.
- Plant markers should be in good condition, clearly displaying the cultivar name, hybridizer, and year of introduction. For historical daylilies, all three pieces of information must be included on the marker.
- The garden must be well-maintained, including regular watering, fertilizing, mulching, and relatively weed-free.
- The garden should be open to the public during the bloom season. Garden owners are encouraged to carry their own insurance, as the American Daylily Society's insurance policy does not cover display garden visitation.
- Commercial gardens are asked to maintain a specific area designated as a display garden.

Display garden owners will receive notification about renewing their status by early September each year. Forms must be submitted by October 1.

To be added to the list of official display gardens and/or Historical Daylily display gardens, the qualifying garden must be inspected and approved by the appropriate Regional President (RP) or their designated representative and be recommended to the display garden chairman.

For additional information about becoming a display garden, visit <https://daylilies.org/daylilies/display-gardens/> or contact the National Display Garden Chair, Sue Hill, at displaygardens@daylilies.org.

Region 4's Newest Display Garden: Laurel Ridge Garden - A Lifelong Passion

By Lis Murphy, Princeton, MA

continuous work in progress over the past 34 years. It was in 2020 when I first I opened my garden to the public. It was a wonderful experience to share my garden and hear how happy the people were to be able to visit a garden. Located 17 miles north of Worcester, MA, my garden is far away from the big city of Boston. There are not many daylily gardens in the area.

I started my garden in 1990, when we moved from Luxembourg, Europe, to the US. Besides a vegetable garden, I grew only a few flowers in a small flower bed.

Last year, in fall of 2023, I decided to fill out the application for an AHS display garden and am thrilled that it was approved. I'm looking forward to many visitors and sharing my creation that has been



1992 - My husband's famous words "*The hill is too steep to cut the grass-do something with it*" prompted me to convert the hillside into a terraced garden.



1995 - Here's a view from the top of the hill showing where I made my terraced gardens on the hill to the left of the tree in the previous photo.



2000 - After a heavy rain fall, a mud slide went into the pool, which took three days to clear the water. This event prompted me to build little stone walls with the numerous stones on my property. The garden grew slowly over the years, adding on sections on each side, including a water fall.



2005 - When my mother-in-law gave me a gift certificate to a daylily farm on Cape Cod, I was hooked. I could not believe the large varieties of daylilies. A visit with my garden club to Tower Hill Botanic Garden during a NEDS Daylily Exhibition completed the spark of my new passion. I proudly came home with one bag of leftover daylilies for \$10.00 and was

happy to add them to my small daylily garden collection. Soon I joined the New England Daylily Society and learned about the Stout Medal Winners. I started collecting these prized daylilies as well and now have the complete series in my garden. It is always amazing to hear from my visitors that they don't know about the Stout Medal Winners, but are immediately interested in them.

2012 - I started to hybridize daylilies in 2012 and registered my first daylily 'Laurel Ridge Mutti' in 2024. This was a wonderful accomplishment. This daylily is named after the road we live in on and my mother. It is a late blooming pink double and doubled every time in my garden last year. It is a lot of fun to see the first blooms of my crossings every year.



'Laurel Ridge Mutti' (Murphy EL 2024)

In addition to the hillside garden are many more flower beds and a big vegetable garden. Fighting deer and rabbits is an ongoing battle. In my vegetable garden I grow tomatoes, peppers, eggplant, beans, lettuce, cucumber, carrots, beets, asparagus, onions, garlic and potatoes.



2010 vegetable garden

In my flower beds I have over 350 different daylily varieties mixed with over 500 different flowers. One of my other favorite flowers are gentians. I'm always looking for them when I go to a nursery, but find them only once in a while. *Gentian acaulis* and *Gentian paradoxa* have survived in my garden for many years.



Gentian acaulis



Gentian paradoxa 'Blue Herold'



2010 - I added a small pond at the bottom of one side of the hill. It is now often frequented by at least 2 or 3 frogs that have taken shelter among the water lilies.

2018 - We replaced our screen house with a permanent sun room. We are able to enjoy the sounds of summer and the view to the garden every day.



2023 Spring - My garden starts the blooming season with lots of spring flowers like daffodils, tulips, muscari and in early summer lilies. I plant over 500 tulips in autumn, when dahlia tubers are dug out for overwintering. I spray castor oil mix in each hole to deter voles from eating them all. It seems to work quite well.



Garden in summer along property edge



Garden in summer at driveway



Garden in Summer – at Garden Entrance



2021 Dahlia 'La Bella 'Maggiore Fun Flame'

Another favorite flower in my garden are dahlias. They usually bloom when most of the daylilies are done blooming. I plant the tubers in late spring when the spring flowers have completed their show. Tulip bulbs are taken out and dahlia tubers are planted in their place.

I hope many people will visit and enjoy my garden again this year.

Have you ever visited these sites?

There are two wonderful website created by Region 4 member Charlotte Chamitoff:

“Charlotte’s Daylily Diary” contains a variety of info about daylilies, features the “Garden Of The Week”, and so much more!

www.daylilydiary.com

“The Hybridizer’s Corner” contains links to hybridizer websites.

<http://daylilydiary.com/gardenHybridC.htm>

Charlotte updates the site regularly and sends an email to the Daylily Robin when the site has been updated. Thank you, Charlotte!



“Test Your Daylily Knowledge”

Submitted by Susan Bergeron, Region 4 Scientific Liaison

Q1. What are the pests on the daylily in the picture below:



Photo by Mike Huben

- a. Thrips
- b. Aphids
- c. Spider Mites
- d. None of the above

Q2. The ovary, style and stigma of a flower comprise the:

- a. Stamen
- b. Pistil
- c. Pistil
- d. Petiole

Q3. When a pollen grain is placed on the stigma of a daylily flower, it then:

- a. Migrates down the style to the ovary to deliver the male cells to an ovule
- b. Grows a tube down the style which transports the male cells to an ovule
- c. Bursts, releasing the male cells that then travel down the style to an ovule

Q4. In fertilizers and soil, calcium, magnesium and sulfur are:

- a. Secondary macronutrients
- b. Micronutrients
- c. Not essential for plants

Q5. Daylilies are most closely related to:

- a. Onion, Iris, Agave
- b. Grasses
- c. True Lilies (*Lilium*)

Q6. You notice some daylily flower buds are swollen, rotting and contain small white maggots like in the photo below. What is the most likely culprit?



Photo by Mary Czaicka

- a. Thrips
- b. Tarnished Plant Bugs
- c. Daylily Gall Midge

Q7. Under the International Code of Nomenclature for Cultivated Plants (ICNCP) the name of a cultivar should be enclosed in:

- a. Double quotes
- b. Single quotes
- c. No quotation marks

Q8. Daylilies are classed as:

- a. Monocotyledons
- b. Dicotyledons
- c. Petaloids

Q9. Daylilies have tubers, true or false.

Q10. In daylilies, which ploidy is not known to occur in nature

- a. Diploid
- b. Triploid
- c. Tetraploid

Answers to “Test Your Daylily Knowledge”

[Found at the bottom of page 23](#)

Region 4 Notices

IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

Region 4 Events

May 3-4, 2024 - CanAm & Regional Business Meeting in Toronto-registration on next 2 pages; Speakers, auction, and great social event. Early-bird deadline April 12. <https://www.ontariodaylily.ca/pages/eventregistration.html>

AHS Accredited Daylily Exhibitions

July 7, 2024 - LIDS-Horticultural Center at Planting Fields Planting Fields Arboretum in Oyster Bay, NY. <https://longislanddaylily.weebly.com/>

July 13, 2024 -NEDS-New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill, Boylston, MA. www.nedaylily.org

Daylily Sales

May 11, 2024 – FieLDS Silent Auction & Plant Sale <https://flds.weebly.com/club-calendar.html>

May 11, 2024 – NEDS Public Daylily Sale The Farm Stand at Essex North Shore Agricultural & Technical School in Danvers, MA. www.nedaylily.org

May 18, 2024 – CDS Plant Sale Avon Senior Center, Avon, CT. Rain or Shine. <https://ctdaylilyclub.com/>

May 19, 2024 – BADS Plantapalooza – East Aurora, NY. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/buffalodaylily/>

May 19,2024 – SMDS Plant Sale

<http://mainedaylilyociety.com>

June 8, 2024 – LIDS 50/50 Member Plant Sale

Greenhouse at Planting Fields Arboretum in Oyster Bay, NY. <https://longislanddaylily.weebly.com/>

June 29-30, 2024 - Buffalo Garden Art & Plant Society Sale <https://www.facebook.com/groups/buffalodaylily>

July 22, 2024 – L’AAHQ Daylily Day <https://www.aahq.info/>

August 10, 2024 - BADS Annual Public Sale

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/buffalodaylily>

August 17 – HADS Plant Sale at Faddegon’s

<http://hudsonadironackdaylilyociety.org/>

Deadlines

September 15, 2024 - Deadline for submitting photos to Region 4 Photo Contest. See page [29](#)

October 1-15, 2024 - Voting for Photo Contest. Ballot will be emailed to you. See page [29](#)

October 1, 2024 - Voting deadline for Hybridizer Award. Ballot will be emailed to you. See page [26](#)

October 15, 2024 - Deadline for submissions for Fall issue of Region 4 Newsletter. adsregion4newsletter@gmail.com

Nominations for Service Award @ Club Level due by Dec. 31

Please send your nominations for deserving candidates to chrispn@optonline.net by December 31, 2024. Please see <https://www.ahsregion4.org/pages/r4service.html> for more details.

Region 4 Youth Liaison volunteer needed

Are you interested in serving as a Region 4 officer in the position of Youth Liaison? Some responsibilities of the Youth Liaison are to plan activities for youth at regional meetings, be a garden mentor, encourage participation in daylily events and report on youth in the Region 4 newsletter. Please let me know and I will send you additional information. Thanks so much!

Please email me at Chrispn@optonline.net

LIDS Display Gardens at Planting Fields Arboretum: A Short History

By Chris Petersen,
Asharoken, NY

Planting Fields Arboretum (PF) in Oyster Bay, New York, spans over 400 acres and offers a plethora of attractions including a breathtaking conservatory, a sensory garden, a formal rose garden, a magnificent Gold Coast mansion, picturesque hiking trails, and much more.

Originally, the Long Island Daylily Society (LIDS) maintained two display gardens on the grounds. The first garden, the Peter Fass Memorial Garden, was named in honor of Peter Fass, a founding member of the American Hemerocallis Society (AHS) and a renowned hybridizer with national acclaim. Established in 1973, this garden showcased a diverse collection of daylilies, including many hybrids created by Fass and other Long Island hybridizers. Unfortunately, the arboretum made the decision to expand its parking lot, resulting in the dismantling of this cherished garden.

In the new millennium, a fresh chapter began for the Display Garden at Planting Fields. In 2003, a new garden emerged, thanks to the efforts of Pam Milliken, a dedicated member of the Long Island Daylily Society (LIDS). Pam played a pivotal role in establishing the garden and acted as the liaison between LIDS and Planting Fields.

Situated behind the tropical greenhouse and expansive dahlia display garden, this new garden became a showcase for plants from LIDS' hybridizers, including George Rasmussen, Bob Schwarz, John Stahl, Paul Limmer, Pat Sayers, and Bob Stanton. The garden boasted an array of daylily varieties, ranging from Stout winners to newer cultivars, offering a diverse selection of hardy daylily forms such as large, miniatures, small, doubles, spiders, and unusual forms.

A fascinating tidbit about this garden is its humble beginnings. It was initially cultivated on an old compost heap, a testament to the transformative power of dedicated gardening enthusiasts.

As LIDS was hosting the 2006 AHS National Convention, the LIDS Display Garden became one of the tour gardens. A bed was designated to house the Stanley Saxton Seedling Award competition plants. This award is for the best unregistered seedling of a Region 4 hybridizer seen at the yearly regional meeting. Hybridizers would send their daylilies to LIDS to be planted in advance of the event. The convention attendees voted for their favorite seedling during the tour of the garden. In 2019, LIDS hosted the Region 4 Summer Meeting. The garden borders were redone and two custom arches were donated by a PF volunteer. Once again, the display garden and Saxton Seedling bed were featured gardens.



Pam Milliken in the LIDS Display Garden in 2004

Over the years, LIDS members have volunteered their time to plant, weed, water and deadhead the display

garden. It was a great place to socialize a bit and enjoy the beauty therein. Perennials such as phlox, rudbeckia, feverfew, salvias, columbine and variegated Solomon's seal set off the daylilies beautifully. Annuals such as cleome, sunflowers, morning glory, hollyhocks and alyssum were also added as companion plants. One highly invasive perennial, *Campanula takesimana* was planted early on and became a nightmare to get rid of along with *Pinellia ternata* another invasive bulbous plant that was introduced by the arboretum when they gave the club contaminated compost! *Pinellia ternata's* success is that its stem regenerates from a corm that resides inches below the soil's surface. As a result, hand-pulling is nearly always ineffective in ridding a garden area of pinellia. Likewise, *campanula* has roots that invade the whole top few inches of the soil. If a piece of the root is left in the soil, a new plant will result! It was a losing battle!

In the spring of 2023, Vinnie Simeone, Planting Fields Director, and Michael Ahern, Assistant Director, strongly suggested that new smaller and easier to maintain beds be built (with fresh soil). Three 6'x12'x14" deep beds were constructed. The beds can hold about 25 daylilies each.

In preparation for transplanting daylilies on the August 28th workday, members brought shovels, dividing tools, buckets for weeds and for washing daylilies, stools, pruners, etc. All daylilies to be transplanted into the new garden beds needed to be thoroughly cleaned to insure that there were NO hitchhikers from the old garden! We purchased commercial compost and amendments (Espoma Biotone). As many plants as could be salvaged were dug from the old garden. There were 29 small clumps transplanted with space for more to be planted in the future.

At present, a border of *Carex 'Silver Sceptre'* is planted along one side of the beds with some *Echinacea* in the center of the planting area. Hopefully, more annuals or perennials can be added while the small daylily clumps fill out. Also, new signage will need to be added in the spring.

To see photos of the gardens go to our LIDS website: <https://longislanddaylily.weebly.com/lids-display-garden.html>.



Robert Soret & Bill Barash at the new garden

Answers to "Test Your Daylily Knowledge"

[Quiz on page 20](#)

- Q1. b. Aphids
- Q2. c. The ovary, style and stigma comprise the pistil, the female part of a flower.
- Q3. b. The pollen grain produces a pollen tube that transports the male cells to the ovary.
- Q4. a. Secondary macronutrients
- Q5. a. Onion, Iris, Agave
- Q6. c. Daylily Gall Midge
- Q7. b. A valid cultivar name is correctly indicated by single quotes
- Q8. a. Daylilies are monocotyledons (monocots for short) as they only have one initial seed leaf. In daylilies, this leaf remains inside the seed and does not emerge.
- Q9. False, daylilies often have tuberous roots but they are not true tubers.
- Q10. c. Tetraploid



26th CAN-AM DAYLILY CLASSIC

May 3rd & 4th, 2024

Featuring:

ALLAN BANKS – Head of Jeddore, Nova Scotia

KIRSTEN HATFIELD – Zanesville, Ohio

ROSS KENYON – Corfu, New York

MATT MEADOWS – Westerville, Ohio

TOM & ELAINE SMOULDER – Warren, Pennsylvania

RHONDA VEROEVEN – Windsor, Wisconsin

- FRIDAY 7:00 p.m. - Speaker Presentations
9:00 p.m. - Live Auction (part 1)
- SATURDAY 8:00 a.m. - Registration and continental breakfast
9:00 a.m. - Full day's program of speakers includes continental breakfast, hot lunch plus Plant Sales table, Live Auction, Silent Auction, and lots of fun!
6:00 p.m. - Evening banquet—dine with the speakers (optional)

In Person or via Zoom!!!

IN PERSON Registration and meals - \$125 Cdn. (until April 12th), after \$140 Cdn.
ZOOM Registration - \$50 Cdn.

Registrar: Kelly Noel, 101–727 Richmond Road, Ottawa, Ontario K2A 0G6
Phone 613-850-8408 (cell) or e-mail: khnoel@live.ca
Doubletree Toronto Airport West Hotel, 5444 Dixie Road,
(1 block south of the 401),
Mississauga, Ontario. L4W 2L2
Phone: 844-485-6263 or 905-624-1144

A block of rooms at a discounted rate are being held under the Ontario Daylily Society until April 12th.

For further details or to register on-line please visit:

<https://www.ontariodaylily.ca>

CAN-AM DAYLILY CLASSIC REGISTRATION FORM

An AHS Region 4 Event **26th CAN-AM DAYLILY CLASSIC**

On line registration is fastest and easiest. Please go to: <http://www.ontariodaylily.ca>

If paying by mail please make your cheque payable to Ontario Daylily Society and send it along with this form to:

Kelly Noel
101 – 727 Richmond Road,
Ottawa, Ontario
K2A 0G6

Name _____

Street _____ City _____

Prov./State _____ Postal Code/Zip _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Additional registrants and
their addresses: _____

Early Bird registration (before April 12/24) _____ x [\$125 Cdn] = \$ _____
(# of people)

Registration (after April 12/24) _____ x [\$140 Cdn] = \$ _____
(# of people)

Zoom Registration (email address required) _____ x [\$50 Cdn] = \$ _____
(# of people)

Saturday Evening Banquet – (at Hotel) _____ x [\$55 Cdn] = \$ _____
(# of people)

Saturday Banquet entrée choice - - - - - Chicken () Beef () Fish ()

Please note that each email address will receive a unique link to access the day via Zoom.

CHEQUE TOTAL \$ _____

Please check here if you would like your contact information (address, phone number and email address) to show on the meeting roster list. _____

ADS Region 4 Hybridizer Award Guidelines

The nominating process for this award is controlled by the hybridizer. Every eligible hybridizer in Region 4 may enter ONE of his/her registrations.

Official guidelines:

Each hybridizer residing in Region 4 may nominate one of his/her cultivars in a given year.**

Eligible cultivars must have been hybridized in Region 4, registered with the ADS within the last ten years (including the year in which nominated). A cultivar may be nominated for up to three consecutive years and then becomes ineligible. A winning cultivar may not be re-entered.

**The hybridizer who wins is not eligible to enter this contest again in the next three calendar years.

How to enter:

Entries to be voted on this year are included in this issue. They were submitted by February 15, 2024. To enter next year, send an email to adsregion4newsletter@gmail.com with your name, address and the cultivar name and attach a high-resolution photo of the cultivar. Your photo and the description from the ADS Database will be displayed in the next Spring issue and on the Region 4 website to be considered for the Hybridizer Award for 2025. A reminder will be included in the Fall issue of the newsletter.

Voting procedure:

Be looking for the cultivars as you visit gardens during the upcoming bloom season to help you make your voting decision. The photos of eligible cultivars are included in this issue and they will also be published on the Region 4 website. In the fall, a link to the electronic ballot will be sent to members of Region 4. Only ADS Region 4 members are eligible to vote and they may vote once for a single cultivar on the ballot. All votes must be cast by October 1, 2024. Watch for the email with the link to the ballot in September.

A photograph of the winning cultivar and the hybridizer will appear in the Fall issue of Daylilies in the Great Northeast. Announcement of the winning cultivar will also be made on the Region 4 website. The award shall be presented at the following Regional summer meeting and shall consist of an engraved plate or plaque containing the name of the cultivar, its registration date and the name of its hybridizer.

Past Recipients (links to photos on <https://www.ahsregion4.org/pages/hybridaward.html>):

2023 Darlyn Wilkinson - *H.* 'Greywoods Peek a Blue'

2022 John Bergener - *H.* 'Rebecca's Rhapsody'

2021 Claudia Conway - *H.* 'Zollo Omega'

2020 David Mussar - *H.* 'Rosemary Mussar'

2019 Tie: Bryan Culver - *H.* 'Sun Panda' & Darlyn Wilkinson - *H.* 'Greywoods Mockingjay'

2018 Gil Stelter - *H.* 'Gryphon Hankow Legacy'

2017 Rich Howard - *H.* 'Explosion in the Paint Factory'

2016 George Doorakian - *H.* 'Green Icon'

2013 Pam Hoffman - *H.* 'Mystic Avalon'

2012 Lori Jones - *H.* 'Big Honking Flaming Floozy'

2010 Ellen Laprise - *H.* 'Isabelle Rose'

2009 Bryan Culver - *H.* 'Spirit Zone'

2024 Region 4 Hybridizer Award Nominees



Alpha Angelic Passion (Stanton, 2021)

height 33 inches (84 cm), bloom 6 inches (15 cm), season MLa, Semi-Evergreen, Tetraploid, 20 buds, 3 branches, Red, extending to near peach edge, pink watermark, bitone.. (*Truly Angelic* × *Passion's Promise*)



Au Lys du Jour (Pronovost, 2023)

height 34 inches (86 cm), bloom 6 inches (15 cm), season M, Semi-Evergreen, Tetraploid, Fragrant, 18 buds, 3 branches, Yellow with faint, peach tint beside lighter midribs, more peach tint on sepals, bright green throat, yellow fringed edge on petals.. (*Glowing Quasar* × *Footlong*)



Blackbird Calling (Church, 2018)

height 34 inches (86 cm), bloom 9 inches (22 cm), season MLa, Rebloom, Dormant, Tetraploid, 22 buds, 3 branches, Unusual Form Crispate-Cascade. Black red with bright cherry red eye and red midribs, green throat.. (*Midnight Rabbit* × *Mystic Pizza*)

See additional
Hybridizer Award
entries on the
next page.

Watch for these
as you visit
gardens this
summer!



Cobbs Hill Meditation (Zettek, 2016)

height 28 inches (71 cm), bloom 4 inches (10 cm), season M, Evergreen, Diploid, 12 buds, 3 branches, Pale lavender pink bicolor with creamy pale sepals, cream midribs and pale edge, yellow throat, ruffled. (sdlg × Royal Jester)

See additional Hybridizer Award entries on the previous page.



Oscar Peterson (Gellatly, 2023)

height 30 inches (76 cm), bloom 6 inches (15 cm), season M, Rebloom, Dormant, Diploid, Fragrant, 24 buds, 4 branches, Smoky burgundy with Gamay grape eye-zone blending into petals, gold throat, gently rippled edge, and raised midribs.. (Jayne Thomas Memorial × Africa) – Winner of the 2023 Douglas Lycet Award

Voting will be done on the Region 4 website. Instructions and electronic ballots will be sent to Region 4 members in September, 2024.

2024 Region 4 Photo Contest Rules & Voting

This summer, take some photos of daylilies and landscapes featuring daylilies and enter them in the 2024 Region 4 Photo Contest. All entries must be emailed to the editor by **September 15, 2024**. Voting takes place between **October 1 and October 15** (see below).

Photos may include: garden critters/pets, insects, garden art. **Images must not include people.**

Photo Contest Categories

1. **Single or Multiple Blooms** - may include clump shot.
2. **Artistic Close-up** - Be creative! Capture all or part of a daylily bloom in a photo.
3. **Landscape Shot** - Any garden from any region will do, but daylilies must be featured in the photo.

Contest Rules

1. Region 4 ADS members of any age may enter.
2. Up to **6 entries total** will be accepted per member.
3. All photo entries must have been taken by the member submitting them.
4. All photo entries must have been taken in 2024

Photo Requirements

Submit high resolution, full-sized, digital photo images in .jpg format only. Individual image size should be 1MB or larger.

Each photo submitted should be labeled as follows:

Category # Cultivar (hybridizer, year) photo [your name]

Example: Category 1 Explosion in the Paint Factory (Howard, 2013)
photo John Gardener

Labeling on landscape photos: Category 3 Garden name or owner name, photo by [your name].jpg

Cultivar names need not be capitalized.

Use digital photography software sparingly when editing your images. Please do not make alterations to your original images other than to crop or make subtle color corrections and do not put borders around images.

Email photo entries to:

Marlene Harmon, Regional Newsletter Editor:

adsregion4newsletter@gmail.com

Voting:

The photos that were submitted by the deadline will appear online on the Region 4 website www.ahsregion4.org in the fall. Electronic ballots will be sent to Region 4 AHS members in September. Voting will begin on October 1st and ballots must be submitted by **October 15th 2024**. Winning photos will be published in the Fall 2024 issue of the Region 4 Newsletter. Photo entries may appear in a future issue of *Daylilies In The Great Northeast*.

1st Place winners of the 2023 Region 4 Photo Contest



Above, Single or Multiple Blooms
'Sheza Heartbreaker' (Harry, 2008)
Photo by Greg Haggett



Above, Artistic Close-up
'Kyoto Swan' (Moldovan, 2001)
Photo by Greg Haggett



Above: Landscape
Laurel Ridge Gardens (Lis and Mike Murphy's
Garden, Princeton, MA)
Photo by Chris Petersen

Curt Turner posed this question to ChatGPT:

Why is the color blue not genetically available in daylilies?



Photo edited with Photoshop

Daylilies, scientifically known as *Hemerocallis*, are a diverse group of flowering plants that come in a wide range of colors, including various shades of red, orange, yellow, pink, and purple. However, true blue daylilies are relatively rare, and most cultivated varieties do not possess the genetic ability to produce blue pigments.

The absence of blue coloration in daylilies is primarily due to the genetic makeup of the plants. The color of flowers is determined by the presence of pigments, which are chemical compounds that absorb certain wavelengths of light and reflect others. The pigments responsible for blue coloration in plants are called anthocyanins.

In daylilies, the genes responsible for producing anthocyanin pigments have not naturally evolved to produce the specific combination of compounds required to create a true blue color. Instead, the genetic factors present in daylilies typically lead to the production of pigments in the red to purple range, resulting in the colors commonly observed in these flowers.

Creating a true blue daylily through conventional breeding techniques can be challenging. It would require introducing genes from other plant species that naturally produce blue pigments or undertaking extensive genetic modification to alter the color-producing pathways in daylilies.

However, it's worth noting that there are some daylily cultivars referred to as "blue" in the horticultural trade, but they typically exhibit shades of lavender or purple rather than a true blue hue. These cultivars often rely on the presence of additional pigments or structural features in the petals that can create the illusion of blue when viewed by the human eye.

In summary, the lack of true blue coloration in daylilies is primarily due to the genetic makeup of the plants, which does not naturally include the specific combination of compounds required to produce blue pigments.

EDITOR'S NOTE: This article was written by artificial intelligence (AI). Can we trust AI? What do you think?



*Accomplishing Mia
(Maureen Faber X Tol of Gascone)



*Forever A Free Press
[(Blue Eyed Susan X Nordic Soul) X
(Unk X Ultimate Blush)]



Carmine Miranda Rights
(Mill River Masque X Unknown)



*OctoNessie
(Raised by Wolves X Unk - Probably
Heavenly New Frontiers)



*Naught Fooled Anymore
(Abilena Lillian X Carnival Dream)



Parasol Princess
(America's First Peoples X Unknown)

Curt Turner 2024

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 Darlyn Wilkinson

A GARDENER'S CREED

Sent in by Harry Bishop adapted from the book Homeground: A Gardener's Miscellany by Allan Lacey and written after seeing a hybridizer's slide show.

1. I want it.
2. I want them all.
3. I want them now.
4. If it will not grow in my zone or is prohibitively expensive, I want it most of all.
5. I am perfectly willing to forego any necessities of life such as food or my children in order to have it.
6. I recognize my horticultural dependency.
7. I recognize your horticultural dependency.
8. I will willingly aid and abet your dependency, as you will mine.
9. This makes us infinitely happy.
10. Any money saved by virtue of comparison shopping equals found money and therefore is not counted as spending.



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Learn more about the Robin:

<https://www.shieldsgardens.com/DLPlace/robin.html>

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Club Reports-Association des Amateurs d'Hémérocailles du Québec (L'AAHQ)

It is with great pleasure that I present to you the different activities and meetings that we hold throughout the year. These activities are an opportunity for our members to discuss the cultivation and hybridization of daylilies with friends.

Meetings - L'Hémérobrunch

L'Hémérobrunch, which could be translated as Daylily Brunch, marks the start of the season for us and comes in the form of a lunch with a friendly atmosphere. This is also when our annual general meeting is held. This year, the activity will be held at the end of April and will take place in Quebec, Trois-Rivières or Saint-Hyacinthe, the location remains to be confirmed.

Meetings - Journée de l'Hémérocalle

It's towards the end of July that our "Daylily Day" takes place. This day takes place with a host who has a daylily garden that we can visit during the day's activities. We also hold our cut flower competition there where members take the time to admire the beautiful flowers in our gardens.



To help finance our association and also to give members the chance to share cultivars with each other, we organize our annual auction.



We end the day by sharing a snack and chatting with each other.



Contest - Les Cultivars Québécois

The arrival of autumn marks the end of the season for us. However, many of us have filled our mobile devices and computers with the most beautiful photos of our Quebec cultivars, developed from choice cultivars and resistant to our colder climates. Our Quebec hybridizers have registered around 2000 cultivars with the AHS and it is in order to promote and encourage these that we are organizing this "Québécois Cultivars" competition. The members of the association, who have Quebec cultivars in their garden, send us a list of these Quebec cultivars with a photograph of each. The photographs are then distributed anonymously and each member votes for the 3 daylilies they prefer.

Here are the three winners of the fall 2023 contest.

(Right)
First choice:
'Séductrice du Piékouagami' (Niquet, 2015)



(Left)
Second choice:
'Vertigineuse des Anges' (Martel, 2022)

(Right)
Third choice: 'Jolie Portageoise'
(Goulet-S., 2016)



Contest - Coup de Coeur

Here is another great way to promote the work of our Quebec hybridizers. This time, our hybridizer members are asked to send photographs of 3 diploid hybrids and 3 tetraploid hybrids. Once again, the photographs are redistributed to the members of the association so that they vote for the three they prefer in each category. This competition is held in the spring and the results are revealed during L'Héméobrunch.

Shown at right and below are the winners of the Coup de Coeur 2023 contest.

Submitted by *François Pronovost*



Club Reports-Ontario Daylily Society (ODS)

Check out their website for details about their upcoming events:

<https://www.ontariodaylily.ca/>

Hybridizers' Forum via Zoom- Members present their seedlings and programs

April 11 - Jean Marc Boileau, David Retallick, Joe Hawkins

April 25 - Chris Eicher, John Burgener, Dave Mussar

CanAm - May 3 - 4 in Mississauga, ON (see registration info in this newsletter)

Club Reports-Maine Daylily Society (MDS)

Submitted by *Susan Shaw*

Our Maine Daylily Society sale is coming up on **May 17 and 18th** when we combine our sale with Merryspring's Plant Sale. We will have Merryspring Daylily Days at our display garden at Merryspring Nature Center in Camden,

Maine, 04843, on **July 27th** at 9:30 AM. We will have workshops: dividing and hybridizing workshop during our Daylily Days. Merryspring has a website: <https://merryspring.org/>. There are lots of great labelled daylilies from many hybridizers. We will be adding to the collection this year, after a few quieter pandemic years. The daffodil collection is growing and will be in glorious bloom soon!

Club Reports-Buffalo Area Daylily Society (BADS)

Hello Daylily Folks –

Hope you will join us on Sunday, May 19th for our Annual BADS Plantapalooza at the East Aurora Senior Center!

I'm excited to announce that Carol Ann Harlos will present "What's Bugging My Plants?" Carol Ann is an award-winning retired math and science teacher, Master Gardener, beekeeper, writer, and speaker. She tends extensive gardens, including herbs, and loves learning from others and sharing her knowledge.

The eagerly anticipated PLANTAPALOOZA is on the agenda! This is BADs uber-fun buying frenzy that we call Plantapalooza. The daylilies are coming from hybridizer Curt Hanson, of Crintonic Gardens in Ohio. Curt is our speaker for the BADS September luncheon and is well known for both the quality of his plants and their imaginative names.

Each attendee will receive a strip of raffle tickets when they check in to the meeting, you will separate your tickets and put one half into the bags of the daylilies you wish to purchase. When we draw, you are offered the opportunity to buy that daylily at a special members' price. Win-win!

There will be door prizes, BADS Bucks and super snacks (please bring your favorite appetizer or dessert to share!).

Sunday, May 19, 2024

DOORS at 1:30 p.m.

MEETING at 2 p.m.

East Aurora Senior Center

101 King Street

East Aurora, NY

1:00 p.m. Steering Committee arrives/sets up

1:30 p.m. Doors Open

2:00 p.m. Announcements/Short business meeting (usually about 10 minutes)

2:15 p.m. Guest Speaker

3:00 p.m. Break for refreshments

3:15 p.m. Plantapalooza plant "raffle"

3:45 p.m. Door prizes, clean up

4:00 p.m. Meeting closes

OTHER IMPORTANT DATES:

May 3-4, 2024 26th Annual Can-Am Classic
Details here on the Ontario Daylily Site - Registration is now open <https://www.ontariodaylily.ca/>

June 29-30, 2024 Buffalo Garden Art & Plant Society Sale
Volunteers needed for both days for set up and manning the booth!

July 20, 2024 Daylily Crawl

We have gardens in the Cleve-Hill area and would love to add more! To add your garden to the list (being released in the coming months), reply to the email sent by Nancy Pease on March 11th.

August 10, 2024 Annual Public Sale

Our biggest fundraiser! Will need volunteers and plant donations

August 17, 2024 Member's Picnic

A chance to spend your BADs Bucks

September 28, 2024 BADS Annual Luncheon

Speaker – Curt Hanson <http://www.crintonic.com/>

Also, the next Steering Committee meeting will be Monday, May 6th at 6 p.m. at the Julia Boyer Reinstein Library, 1030 Losson Rd, Cheektowaga. All are welcome to join!



One of my favorite plants from Curt Hanson
'Love in a Vacuum'

See you soon!

Nancy Pease

BADS Treasurer

Club Reports-Connecticut Daylily Society (CDS)

Recent activities



Screenshot taken during Cameron Stern's Zoom presentation

January 20, 2024 - We had a great Zoom meeting with Cameron Stern, the 2008 AHS Christine Stamile Youth Award winner, and 2023 AHS Mabel Matthews Endowment Scholarship winner from Hollis, New Hampshire. Cameron is currently seeking his PhD in biology at Edith Cowan University in Perth, Australia. He has been growing daylilies since he was a youngster. He updated us on his daylily work and showed us great photos of the unique flora of Australia. He is particularly studying a hybrid of two species of the plants called kangaroo paws, which are native to the deserts of western Australia. The hybrid of red-reddish orange flowers produces blue flowers! The questions are--- Where did this color come from? and ultimately, can we get the genes into daylilies?? Cameron kindly stayed up all night (it was 2 am in Perth) to talk to us and 50+ people from CDS and all over the Northeastern Region joined the program.

February 22 - 25, 2024

We had an information booth at the **Hartford Flower Show**. Thanks to all the volunteers who staffed our educational booth in the Federated Garden Clubs of



Linda Hunter (Left photo) and Bob Musson (center photo) at the CDS booth at the Hartford Flower Show

Connecticut's display. We won an honorable mention ribbon. Volunteering is a great deal with free entrance plus 4 hours of parking! Estimates of attendees were in the tens of thousands. It is the first major flower show in the Northeast. Huge numbers of commercial booths with everything from French tea towels to seeds to honey to houseplants. Gardening groups and local landscapers also competed in building small landscape scenes with forced trees, shrubs, and flowers. Very inspiring!

Upcoming Events

We will have an in-person meeting at our usual venue, the Avon Senior Center (West Avon Road), on **Sunday, April 14, 2024**, with **Curt Hanson**, from Gates Mills, Ohio. Curt is the 2002 AHS Bertrand Farr Hybridizer Silver Medal winner and 2003 AHS Stout Medal winner. Curt's 2024 Daylily Registrations will put him past the 900 count for daylilies hybridized in his one-acre Crintonic Gardens. Curt is currently a leading hybridizer for sculpted daylily forms, and his work can be previewed at www.crintonic.com. We'll have light refreshments at noon, talk at 1 pm.

CDS Plant sale, on the lawn in front of the Avon Senior Center RAIN or SHINE. **Saturday May 18 from 10 AM to 2 PM**. Come buy **bareroot daylilies** freshly dug from members' gardens plus potted perennials.

CDS picnic on Sunday **July 14, 2024** at **Don & Nancy Smith's Mountain Meadow Farm, Somers, CT**.

Members open gardens in July are being planned details will follow.

Club Reports-Fingerlakes Daylily Society (FieLDS)

Submitted by *Charlie Zettek*

FieLDS started off our 2024 program year with our traditional Souper Bowl meeting on February 10 at our usual meeting place, the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Canandaigua. About 30 members heard Dr. Elizabeth (Betsy) Lamb from the New York State Agricultural Experiment Station at Geneva (known as Cornell AgriTech) speak about her passion, which is integrated pest management (IPM). Cornell AgriTech is on the forefront of testing and developing plants, insects and microbes that are environmentally responsible approaches to combatting specific pests and invasives.

Besty focused on the importance of following IPM practices in the right order of steps in order to be environmentally responsible. In order to address a problem, first, focus on cultural practices. Do you have the right plant in the right place so that the plant is healthy? The second level after determining that the plant is healthy is to consider a physical approach. For example, a barrier like a lightweight row cover. As another example, Betsy showed some slides of new experimental field tractors that are being used to pick off pest insects from crops in rows, rather than doing a blanket spraying of an insecticide. After trying out physical solutions, biological controls can be considered. An example that we all know and love is ladybugs or Bt for grub control. The last approach to be considered should be chemical control, because of the known, or as yet unknown spillover effects on the rest of nature. Interestingly, chemical controls can be considered as part of an IPM program if the other three approaches have been tried and not found to be successful. So, by definition, IPM is not the same as being organic – organic is a subset of IPM because organic would not include the use of chemicals.

After the presentation, we discussed the FieLDS 2024 Calendar of Events. We have the following exciting events scheduled to the rest of the year:

March 16 – Early spring meeting with Mary Baker, from Omaha, Nebraska, speaking on her hybridizing program

May 11 – Mid-spring meeting featuring the Silent Auction and Babysitter Auction plants. The Babysitter plants will be from Jim Murphy and Margot Reed of Woodhenge Gardens

Mid-May – FieLDS Display Garden clean-up at the Webster Arboretum, to be followed by other work days through the summer

July – dates TBD. FieLDS Garden Crawl featuring gardens around Ithaca and the Finger Lakes

August 10 – Members picnic and auction at Diggers Den Daylilies, Ross Kenyon's garden in Corfu, New York

September 15 – Year end Banquet/Brunch, featuring Dave Mussar as Speaker.

Our FieLDS Club Leaders for 2024 are:

Joan Adler and Ross Kenyon, Co-Vice Chairs
Shirley Capiello, Secretary
Jane Ryan, Treasurer
Leslie Friedman, Member at large
Judy Dunn, Member at large
Ginny Byers, Member at large
Deb Laurence and Darryl Byers, Webmasters
Deb Laurence, Librarian

We welcome participation from any of our fellow R4 clubs or ADS members, to join us at any of our events this summer. Please feel free to contact Joan Adler at joan.adler95@gmail.com if you would like directions, more details or anything else regarding our programs.

Did you know.....

You can find more about a daylily by using the Daylily Database Search site: <https://daylilydatabase.org/>

Enter the cultivar name or Hybridizer name then choose SEARCH



Club Reports-Hudson Adirondack Daylily Society (HADS)



Hudson Adirondack Daylily Society

The Plant Societies (Daylily (HADS), Hosta (UNYHS), Iris (CHIS)) are meeting together at:

*Cornell Cooperative Extension of Albany Co.
24 Martin Rd
Voorheesville, NY 12186*

Our officers include

Cindi Jones- Chair.

Kathryn Mohr-Vice Chair

Michelle Young-Treasurer

Debi Chowdhury-Program, Sunshine Committee Chair and Past Chair

Meetings are at 10 am unless noted otherwise and usually include a guest speaker and a "Dish-to-Pass" luncheon. All meetings are open free to the general public with hopes that you will choose to become a member.

Our schedule for next year is as follows:

- **Sunday, March 17 at NOON** – Meeting (Pre Garden Expo) Let's all be just a little IRISH today and Wear Green... it's St Patrick's Day!

This will also be a "Work Session" for the Flower and Garden Show at HVCC so please bring your own stapler so we can get our Brochure stapled to the Free Seed Packets we are passing out.

Meeting Topic: **"Wildflowers: Faces, Facts and Folklore"** by Pam Taft. She has been a Master Gardener with Cornell Cooperative Extension since 2004. The presentation will inspire a renewed appreciation of the many beautiful wildflowers that grow without our labors. Plant identification tips will be addressed along with fun facts and the folklore of selected wildflowers. Suggestions on how to motivate children

(and the young at heart) to discover the various attributes of flowers will also be discussed. Dish-to-Pass Luncheon: At NOON immediately followed by the presentation. The societies will provide: Paper products (cups, plates, utensils, napkins) in addition to coffee, water and cold drinks

- **March 22-24 Garden Expo at HVCC** - **"Capital Region Flower & Garden Expo"**. We need everyone to sign up and help out in one of the 2 Hour time-slots if you have not done so already. So far we don't have anyone signed up to staff the booth Sunday Morning from 10:00 am to 12 Noon and we need 2 more people for Friday between 4:00 and 6:00 pm We also could really use at least one more person in each 2 hour time-slot on Saturday. Please go to the following website to sign up ASAP <https://signup.com/go/RtqUvYX>.
- **April 20th** Garden Alliance monthly meeting* Beginning at 10am "Central Park, (Schenectady) A Park for the Common Man"
- **May 11th** Garden Alliance monthly meeting* 10am "Creating a Miniature Garden"
- **June 15th** The new perennials"
- **July 13th** Summer Picnic
- **August 17th** Our Sale at Faddegon's
- **September 21st** Judy Fetterley on garden design
- **October 19th** "Keeping the deer out"
- **November 16th** Garden Alliance meeting
- **December 14th** Holiday Party

Submitted by

Debi Chowdhury

Club Reports-Long Island Daylily Society (LIDS)

The year 2023 ended in November with our annual business meeting and pot-luck luncheon. Officers were elected and the budget for 2024 adopted.

LIDS Executive Committee 2024

President: Chris Petersen

Vice President: Luanne Madden

Treasurer: Marc Whinston

Recording Secretary: Susan Padron

Corresponding Secretary: Naomi Strubel

Newsletter Editor: Marc Whinston

Member-at-Large: Blair Cohen

Chairperson of Nominations: Joan Lundin



After the potluck, Pat Sayers showed us a few of her newest hybrids.

The next meeting in January was a daylily version of “Back to the Future”. The program was LIDS through the eyes of a kid, namely Marc Bossert, son of Irene and the late George Bossert, who had become LIDS members in the late 1960’s, when LIDS meetings were at the Martin Viette Nursery in East Norwich. Irene, our longest time member, had visited the nursery, then run by Andre Viette and his wife Claire, who convinced Irene to join LIDS and receive free daylilies. In the late 60’s, Marc and his brother were born and soon became captive attendees at LIDS functions. Marc’s early memories of LIDS were 22 years of zero interest in daylilies and, if the garden they visited was large enough, he and his brother played catch... endlessly. The really special gardens they visited had a water feature. Those with pools, such as Gene

Foster’s garden, earned special accolades. Clarke Gardens had a pond full of frogs and the Stamile garden overlooked Setauket harbor with access down the back of the garden to the shore. The only tour garden that was difficult was the Bossert garden, from which he and his brother were exiled for 2 weeks prior to the day before dead-heading took place.

Marc shared several memories of past LIDS members. Tony Krupa was a NYC cop who had Shea Stadium on his beat and brought New York Met baseball memorabilia to Marc and his brother. The Rasmussens had no pool but they did have a dog to play with. There were trips beyond Long Island, such as to Cape Cod where the Fittons had a summer home. Trips there meant fishing and crabbing, with visits to daylily gardens to interrupt the fun. Another trip was to Virginia, where the Viettes had relocated, and included a trip to Gettysberg. Closer to home was Planting Fields, where LIDS began to meet. Marc recalled hiding in the large weeping beech tree and exploring the greenhouses. This was a very entertaining meeting. Marc and Carolyn have been LIDS members for over ten years and have won many blue ribbons at our shows. So the seeds were planted long ago, and it took a few decades to break dormancy. Their garden was on tour last year and some vintage daylilies still hold a place of pride.



Our speakers - Marc and Irene Bossert



After Marc's program, we had a fun "Snowflake Raffle" which raised money for a food bank.



Pat Klosowicz drawing door prizes

Our March meeting speaker was Dianna Gossard of Heavenly Gardens in Ohio. Dianna has specialized in tetraploid double daylilies and has recently joined the daylily speaking circuit, sharing her love of the doubles. She does have other interests such as NASCAR and dirt-bike racing. Her family is very important to her with three adult children, their spouses and six grandkids.



Dianna has several goals in her program. As she is in a northern zone, she breeds for hardiness, be they dormant, evergreen or semi-evergreen. She has incorporated several plants from Florida, which are then grown outside to ensure they are hardy. 'Double Blazing Busby' is an example which incorporates Spacecoast genetics in a northern double daylily. Other goals include good branching and good height. She felt a fault with many doubles is that they bloom just within or above the foliage. A number of her introductions are 34 inches or taller, which makes for a more dramatic garden presence. She demonstrated her goals through a PowerPoint presentation, which showed many interesting doubles, such as 'Cheddar Explosion', which won the HM in 2019 and the AM in 2022.

Many of her introductions are named for family and friends, such as 'Max's Miracle', which is not a consistent double, but produces fine double seedlings. 'Double Glass of Wine' honors an AHS luminary. Dianna also included what she calls "daylily hacks" in her talk. She has found that soaking newly acquired daylilies in a bucket of water for a length of time is unnecessary. She gives the plant a drink, then puts it in a large zip-lock bag and stores it in the refrigerator where it will remain fresh for up to two weeks. Her program ended with a spirited auction of her 2023 and 2024 introductions.

Our next meeting in April will be our annual luncheon at that St. George's Country Club with a presentation by our member and bon vivant Bill Barish who will talk about Tiffany glass. Future programs include our May auction, and June preparation for the Flower Show in July. See our calendar on the next page and website for more information:

www.longislanddaylily.weebly.com

Submitted by *Gene Moglia*

LIDS 2024 Calendar



April 20: Spring Luncheon: Speaker: Bill Barash, Horticulturist, Planting Fields Arboretum, NY, "Tiffany Glass"- 12PM (St. Georges Golf and Country Club, Setauket, NY)

May 7- 9: Farmingdale University Plant Sale- 9AM - 5PM (Garden Gates Parking Lot, Farmingdale, NY)

May 3 - 4: Canadian American Daylily Classic and Region 4 Business Meeting (Ontario, CA)

May 18: Garden Clean-up- 10AM (**LIDS Display Garden**); LIDS Member Auction- 1PM (**G**)

June 8: Garden clean-up-10AM (**LIDS Display Garden**); 50/50 Member Plant Sale- 12PM; Speaker: TBA "Preparing for a Flower Show"- 1PM (**G**)

June 12 -15: AHS National Convention, Oklahoma City, OK

July (TBA): Garden Clean-up- 10AM (**LIDS Display Garden**)

July 6: LIDS Flower Show Set-up- 9:30AM (**HC**)

July 7: LIDS Flower Show "Treasured Gardens"- 1:30PM - 3:30PM (**HC**)

July 13: NEDS Flower Show (New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill, Boylston, MA)

August (TBA): Garden Clean-up-10AM (**LIDS Display Garden**)

September 14: Barbecue- 12PM (**Petersen/Widom Garden, Asharoken, NY**)

October 19: Speaker: Cyril Weller, Vestal, NY, "Garden Construction and Favorite Hybridizers" - 1PM (**G**)

November 16: Potluck Luncheon- 12PM; Business Meeting -1PM (**G**)

Meetings are held in the Main Greenhouse (**G**) or the Horticultural Center (**HC**) at Planting Fields Arboretum in Oyster Bay, NY. Please check the LIDS website or Facebook page for updated information as it becomes available:


www.longislanddaylily.weebly.com;
www.facebook.com/groups/1642663299287371

CHANGES MAY BE MADE TO THIS CALENDAR AS NEEDED

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Club Reports-New England Daylily Society (NEDS)

Saturday January 13, 2024-NEDS Photo Contest

There were 168 photos entered in 5 categories by 16 NEDS photographers. The photos were displayed via PowerPoint and voted in the morning and the results revealed after lunch. There were so many wonderful photos which made it hard to choose our favorites. The top vote-getters in each category are shown in this report. **All** of the entries in each category can be viewed by clicking on the links below:

- [Single Flower](#)
- [Landscapes and Garden Art](#)
- [Clump and Cluster](#)
- [Seedling](#)
- [Daylily People, Pets & Wildlife](#)



1ST Place-Seedling Category - Lis Murphy Seedling
Photo by Lis Murphy



1ST Place-Single Bloom Category - 'Charles Johnston'
Photo by Greg Haggett



1ST Place-Clump and Cluster Category-'No Boys Allowed'
Photo by Robyn Lebuff



1ST Place-People, Pets & Wildlife Category - Seedling with Moth
Photo by Greg Haggett

The landscape category winner is on the next page. Our thanks to all who contributed photos to the delight of those who attended the meeting. It was a great way to spend a winter Saturday!

Saturday, March 9, 2024 - NEDS Meeting

Our featured speaker for the morning was past president of ADS - Nikki Schmith from Worden, Illinois. Nikki's garden contains a rotating collection of around 500 daylilies and she has registered several cultivars with the American Daylily Society. As well as being past President, Nikki is a senior exhibition judge, a garden judge, and an exhibition clinic instructor so she has lots of experience to share with clubs. She spoke to us about growing our daylily club and in her entertaining presentation, she offered several innovative ideas on how to find, obtain and retain new (or old) members in our club. You can listen to a recording of Nikki's talk on the NEDS website www.nedaylily.org. After lunch, art instructor Susan Bousquet helped us to bring a garden to life on canvas by leading us step by step to recreate a picture of a world famous daylily garden, Blue Ridge Daylilies. The members loved the activity!

NOTE: Starting in October, NEDS will be changing the location of our meetings to a place near our current meeting location. To avoid confusion for now, we will announce the new location on our website in the fall.



Artist Susan Bousquet & speaker Nikki Schmith with finished paintings

2024 Upcoming Events (please check the NEDS website for meeting location and further details)

April 13, 2024 - NEDS Meeting at New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill - Speaker Curt Hanson, owner of [Crintonic Gardens](http://www.crintonicgardens.com) in north east Ohio

May 3-4 - CanAm in Toronto; Speakers and Region 4 business meeting. Register on the [ODS website](http://www.ods.org)

May 11, 2024 - Public Daylily Sale - at the Farm Stand at Essex North Shore Agricultural & Technical School in Danvers, MA 10am-1pm (same location as last year)

June 12-15, 2024 - ADS National Convention in Oklahoma City, OK - website: <https://www.ads2024convention.org/>

July 13, 2024 - NEDS Daylily Exhibition - New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill, Boylston, MA

July 27, 2024 - NEDS Picnic and Auction - at Lis and Mike Murphy's Laurel Ridge Gardens, 16 Laurel Ridge Road, Princeton, MA. Details to follow on our website.

Our website www.nedaylily.org will be updated with details about the meetings when they become available. "Like us" on Facebook - [New England Daylily Society – NEDS](https://www.facebook.com/NewEnglandDaylilySociety) to stay informed of upcoming events.



1ST Place-Landscape Category - Dooley Gardens, Limerick, Maine - Photo by Patrick Dooley

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Club Reports-Southern Maine Daylily Society (SMDS)

Submitted by

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SMDHS is changing to SMDS. We dropped hosta from our area of focus. The club felt that the topic of hosta was being covered well by the Maine Hosta Society and that since many of our members were members of both groups, we should focus solely on daylilies.

Our meeting location is changing to the [Cumberland County Extension, 75 Clearwater Drive, Suite 104 in Falmouth, Maine.](#)

The club has a new slate of officers for 2024-2025:

Sterling MacLean - President
Patrick Dooley - Vice President
Susan Labonville – Treasurer
Paul Bourret – Secretary

A tentative schedule for the year has been set up:

- **Saturday, March 30:** Jeff O'Donal, one of Maine's premier plantsmen, will speak about his continued work with one of the oldest lines of northern hardy tetraploid daylilies: Barth Daylilies. We'll follow Jeff's talk with our annual photo contest.
- **Sunday, May 5:** Volunteers meet at SMCC to remove plants from display bed to divide and prep for plant sale.
- **Sunday, May 19:** Plant sale.
- **Sunday June 30:** Guest speaker, Don Church.
- **Saturday, July 27:** Member garden tours and club picnic with plant swap.
- **Saturday, September 28:** Guest speaker (TBD), live auction, and business meeting.
- **Sunday, December 8:** Holiday party.

Keep an eye on our new website for events and news:

<http://mainedaylilysociety.com>.



Barred Owl Daylilies in Otisfield, Maine - Photo by Paul Bourret

Club Reports-Nova Scotia Daylily Society

Check the website for upcoming events:

<https://sites.google.com/view/nova-scotia-daylily-society/home>

Next Meeting April 18, 2024 TBD

Daylily Dispatch - eNews from the American Daylily Society



Get the latest news from the American Daylily Society by subscribing to the Daylily Dispatch. This electronic newsletter is sent out four times a year.

Click on the picture on the left or click [here](#) to subscribe.

Some of what's included in the latest issue:

What's happening in other regions, the 2023 daylily award winners, and info about tour gardens for the upcoming national convention in Oklahoma City, OK

2024 ADS National Convention

June 12-15, 2024



<https://www.ads2024convention.org/#/>

2024 ADS National Convention

“Daylilies Galore in 2024”

June 12-15, 2024 Oklahoma City, OK

Full Registration includes two days of garden tours with lunches each garden tour day, two evening banquets, access to various speakers and seminars, one 2024 Topguns Daylily Intro, and one 2024 Scott Elliott introduction. Adult registration is \$339/person. You can register online by visiting <https://www.ads2024convention.org/online-registration.html#/> or visit the link below and print and mail your registration to the 2024 ADS Convention Registrar, **Becky Stone, 723 E 10th, Chandler, OK 74834**, visit

https://www.ads2024convention.org/uploads/1/1/4/0/114058007/ads_2024.pdf

If registering by mail, please make checks/money orders payable to 2024 ADS Convention.

HOTEL INFORMATION Embassy Suites OKC NW. For convention rate, mention, ADS.

REGISTRATION INFO: Registration Fee @ \$339 postmarked by 5/1/24 (date extended). Late registration fee @ \$379 postmarked after 5/1/24. Visit the convention website

[ads2024convention.org](https://www.ads2024convention.org) for important details on the tour gardens, open gardens, auction donations, vendors, and volunteers, links to the hotel and registration and the latest Convention updates! As of April 6th, there were less than 30 spots left but you still have time to sign up!

Total Solar Eclipse - April 8, 2024



Photo from Google Images

Just in case you hadn't heard already....(who hasn't???) much of the US will be in the path of a total solar eclipse on Monday, April 8th. Since many folks in Region 4 will be in the path of totality, I thought I'd like to document the event in our newsletter for posterity.

I took the following info from this website (links are clickable):

<https://www.mynbc5.com/article/2024-solar-eclipse-guide-vermont-ny/60396751>

“For viewers in our region, NASA says the solar eclipse will be visible starting around 3:25 p.m. in Plattsburgh. Viewers in Burlington will be able to see the total solar eclipse around 3:30 p.m. The event will last for roughly 3 minutes.

How rare is a total solar eclipse?

The last time a total solar eclipse was visible in the United States was on Aug. 21, 2017. During that eclipse, Burlington, Vermont, experienced 94.5% coverage, the most of any total solar eclipse seen in the Queen city in more than 100 years of data, according to the National Weather Service.

The last time a total solar eclipse was visible in our region before 2017 was way back on Aug. 31, 1932, [according to NASA](#).

This eclipse is literally a once-in-a-generation event; if you miss this one, the next total solar eclipse that will be visible from the contiguous United States will be on Aug. 23, 2044, according to NASA.

Do strange things happen during a total solar eclipse?

A total solar eclipse is a breathtaking event that allows those lucky enough to see it to view some incredibly rare sights. For instance, NASA says that during a total solar eclipse, the sun's corona, or outer atmosphere, momentarily becomes visible.

Some [strange occurrences](#) can also happen during a total solar eclipse, including nocturnal wildlife waking up and non-nocturnal wildlife thinking it is night.”

I hope the clouds stay away on Monday so you can witness this exciting event! Don't forget your special eclipse glasses! Maybe all the precipitation we've had this spring and this special event will make for a spectacular daylily season!

Enjoy your gardening season!
Marlene



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Greywood Farm—Topsfield, MA

Photo by Darlyn Wilkinson