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Summer 2005

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Region 13 - Arkansas & Louisiana

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You will notice that names of daylily cultivars now look a bit different when in print of a publication of A.H.S. As dictated by the AHS Board at the recent convention, we will now adhere to standard horticulture nomenclature. That is, we will write scientific names of plants as all other plant societies do.

The scientific denotation of *H.* for *Hemerocallis*, must be in Italics and precedes the cultivar which is now printed with upper case only for first letter of each word and a single quotation mark precedes and follows the name.



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The ARKLA Daylily

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New 2006

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Our Covers

Front Cover: Winning Bloom of the regional seedling Competition 2005.
Photos by T. Walker
Back Cover: Winners of the Region 13 2005 Popularity Poll

From Your RVP

Elmer Duplantis, Regional Vice President
Louisiana
To My Daylily Friends,

Spring has come and gone as our daylilies suffered from the lack of water. Even though we had the normal six-week drought the blooms were beautiful.

The Regional In Baton Rouge was one of the greatest. The daylilies were at their peak bloom. Every garden was manicured to perfection. The Baton Rouge Daylily Club worked very hard; the outcome was perfect. It was one of the best Regional Meetings ever.

The National Convention in Cincinnati was a great success. The cool weather was excellent for both days that we toured the gardens. The flowers were at their best and the gardens were lovely. The awards to some of the Region 13 members were well deserved.

To our Display Garden owners, remember that the annual Display Garden renewal application must be mailed by October 1. And for all our Garden Judges, renewal applications must be to me by November 15.

Thanks for listening.
Sincerely,
Elmer Duplantis



Photo by Tom Walker.

RPD Notes

Tom Walker, Louisiana

The Region 13 Annual Meeting is history, and the National Convention was at the end of June. Time flies when you are having fun.



I am already looking forward to a great meeting next year in Alexandria, Louisiana with the CENLA Daylily Society as hosts. I know that most people have never seen the AHS Display garden named The Gardens of Ellis Powell - all four or is it five now? You are not going to believe them.

I am also very anxious to see the other fine gardens on the tour including the garden of Pat Soileau as site of the Emma Middlebrooks Memorial Award bed.

We look forward to a busy fall and winter and hope to see you in the meetings AND the gardens.

This is Muriel's seventh year as editor of *The ARKLA Daylily*, and she is finding it harder to have articles that are fresh and interesting. Each year, she tries to select and ask different members to express their experiences during the activities of Region 13 by writing articles for the newsletter. It is getting harder and harder to get members to commit to writing an article, and then submit it. This means that the same few people are often writing the newsletter, and hard as we try, a similar point of view is expressed each time.

Region 13 has 562 members, if only 2% or 11 members will write articles for the newsletter, that would be more than are helping now. We have searched for willing members, and not been able to find them. If you can help, please step forward, and contact Muriel or me and let us know. This is your newsletter.

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Region 13 gratefully acknowledges the following financial donations to the Regional Treasury:

Miss Mattie Broussard of Scott,
Louisiana

Donation in memory of Ed Wolf, past SELDS President and friend, in the amount of \$150.00 to the the Ed Wolf Memorial Youth Fund by the Southeast Louisiana Daylily Society.

Profit from the Regional booth of Elmer and Myrtis Duplantis at the Abbeville Daylily Festival: \$500 to the Region's General Fund and \$160 to the new Ed Wolf Memorial Youth Fund of Region 13.

Firmly Rooted

Muriel Walker, Editor
Louisiana

It would be foolish to pretend that Hurricane Katrina did not ravage the gardening world of South Louisiana. Many of us have seen more images than we could forget in a lifetime. Please know that we will be back and the gardens will bloom again. While the gardens of most of our members are in fairly good shape, some have been severely damaged. We have some members to the east and in New Orleans who have been devastated by this tragic storm. Most members who live west and north of New Orleans have heavy yard clean up and lost many lovely trees. One lady said "Well, I needed more sun areas anyway." That is spirit!

Our friends in Mississippi and east may have suffered more than some of us in Louisiana. Under her broken home, a friend found her daylilies securely rooted and beginning to stand tall again toward the sun. Our hearts are broken for all who faced the "Big One." As gardeners, we know that the best things for a garden are hard work, love and time. The Gulf Coast knows this well so I have faith the beauty will return - as the beauty is in the people of the Gulf Coast. Thank you to all for your prayers and your concern. It helps!

The ARKLA Daylily

Director's Desk

John Holland, DDS
Representative for Region 13
Rogers in Northwest Arkansas

I am pleased to report the AHS is alive and well, although we had a close call this past spring. It seems our AHS Articles of Incorporation were due to expire in April due to a 50-year limit for corporations in Iowa. However, thanks to some quick thinking by our General Counsel Bill Waldrop, President Maurice Green, and Vice President Kevin Walek, we have become a perpetual corporation and are secure for the foreseeable future. This is a good example of the kind of problems our officers, directors, and paid staff deal with to assure our organization is solid, financially secure, and able to perform those services our members want and need.

You may have noticed that our *Daylily Journal* is now the work of editor Allen McLain of Belzoni, Mississippi. It contains three new columns entitled "Know Your AHS," "How to Grow a Daylily Club," and "The Lighter Side of Daylilies," in addition to more color photos. Supplements concerning various subjects have also been added to our journal, and the feedback so far has been outstanding. If you like the job he's doing, let him know; and if you have any suggestions for improvement, he's new at the job and would welcome them.

I am happy to report that the Northwest Arkansas Daylily Society held a sanctioned Daylily Exhibition Show in Fayetteville this past June. This was the first exhibition show in Arkansas for at least the past 30 or 40 years. We added eight new members as a direct result of this show and plan to continue having one on a yearly basis if at all possible. If all our clubs would attempt to think outside the box and not always practice "business as usual," the results might just be surprising.



As usual, Region 13 needs more garden and exhibition judges, and I would like to encourage any of you who have not considered becoming either or both to do so. This will definitely add a new dimension to your enjoyment of our hobby and allow you to study the daylily itself with a more educated eye. Rules are currently being changed to allow newer members to become judges and also to increase the competency of our present judges.

Because our AHS dues have not been increased since 1988 (except for life

memberships) and since our expenses, inflation, and mailing costs have expanded tremendously, it appears the board may be forced to recommend to the membership that dues be increased in the foreseeable future. Our dues are considerably cheaper than most comparable plant societies, and the only reason it was not done last year was the savings from our Daylily Journal, thanks to Allen McLain. Anyway, I don't want anyone to be blindsided by a modest dues increase recommendation.

Feel free to contact me with regard to any concerns you might have regarding the AHS or membership, which happens to be the committee I chair. Write, call, or e-mail me at johnholl@ipa.com.

John Holland



Incoming AHS President Kevin Walek visits with John Holland at the recent National AHS Convention in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Photos by Tom Walker.

Regional History Project - When "Mecca" was Louisiana

A Slide Show of Louisiana Hybridizers

By Tom Walker

Each year during bloom season for daylilies, busloads of fans descend upon central Florida to what is now known as Mecca for daylily fanciers. Few realize that in the 1950s the growers and hybridizers from Florida and elsewhere were coming to South Louisiana to learn from the hybridizers here.

This year at Shreveport and New Orleans clubs, Clarence Crochet presented a slide show on the pioneering hybridizers of Region 13 on which we are now building hybridizing programs. Included in these were

Louisiana hybridizers who are now long gone such as Hooper Connell, Mamie Howell, Aldena Gates, Edith Sholar, Bill Monroe, Jim McKinney, Edna Spalding, Elsie Spalding, Gertrude Demarest, C. T. Tanner, W. B. McMillan and Olivier Monette. Others have passed on recently like Douglas Mayfield, Lee Gates, and Arkansas' Pauline Henry. Some are still with us and still producing new ideas in daylilies like Lucille Guidry, Ken Durio, Margaret DeKerlagand, and of course Clarence Crochet. Then we have the new "kids to the hobby" like Paul Tyler, Ken Begnaud, Joe Goudeau, Tim

Tassin, Jimmy Terrio and John Holland of Arkansas. Then there are the budding youth hybridizers, among them Kalen Begnaud and Ashley Goudeau.

Clarence showed photos of many of these along with examples of daylilies that they had introduced. To say that this was an inspiring and enlightening slideshow does not do it justice. From this heritage of hybridizing should come many future introductions and award winners.

Minutes

of the Business Meeting of
Region 13 -
American Hemerocallis
Society
May 21, 2005

The annual business meeting of the membership of Region 13 of the American Hemerocallis Society was held on May 21, 2005 at 5:00 P.M. at the Riverboat Room of the Holiday Inn Express in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Elmer Duplantis, Regional Vice President, called the meeting to order. He called for nominations to the Nominating Committee for the next Regional Vice President. The floor was opened for nominations. Patrick Guidry was nominated by Earlene Garber. Bob Stassen was nominated by John Holland. Joe Goudeaux was nominated by Earlene Garber. The nominations were closed and the nominees were elected by acclamation.

A motion was made and seconded that Region 13 establish a Youth Fund for the purpose of fostering and promoting interest in daylilies in the youth of the region. The fund is named the "Ed Wolf Memorial Youth Fund." The Regional Vice President is to appoint a committee of three members to make recommendations for funding and governance of the fund. Motion carried.

Elmer Duplantis reported on the concern about the declining membership of the American Hemerocallis Society.

The minutes of the 2004 meeting of the membership held in Arkansas were approved.

Tom Walker presented a statement of income and expenses for Patrick Guidry.

AMERICAN HEMEROCALLIS SOCIETY STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES

YEARS 2003, 2004 AND FOUR MONTHS ENDING APRIL 30, 2005

	Jan. 1, 2003 to Dec. 31, 2003	Jan. 1, 2004 to Dec. 31, 2004	Jan. 1, 2005 to April 30, 2005
INCOME:			
Region 13 auction proceeds	9,455.00	6,284.00	-
Abbeville Daylily Festival proceeds	1,821.00	1,034.00	-
ARKLA Daylily Newsletter Subscriptions	50.00	50.00	66.00
New Orleans plant sale proceeds	2,966.00	1,842.80	-
Reimbursement from AHS for newsletter	778.05	237.10	462.20
Sale of cookbooks	126.00	18.00	-
Donation-Delta Daylily Society	1,000.00	2,000.00	-
Donation-Cenla Daylily Society	1,000.00	-	50.00
Donation-Southwest La Daylily Club	25.00	75.00	-
Donation-Hemerocallis Study Club	-	1,000.00	1,000.00
Donation-Arkansas State Daylily Society	-	500.00	-
Donations-SELDS/Elmer Duplantis/Muriel Walker	-	310.00	-
Interest income	15.17	-	-
Total Income	17,236.22	13,350.90	1,578.20
EXPENSES:			
Region 13 auction costs	750.00	-	-
New Orleans plant sale expense	386.84	300.00	-
ARKLA Daylily Editor Expense	1,000.00	1,500.00	-
Donation to William E Monroe Fund	500.00	500.00	-
Insurance Expense	158.50	150.25	-
Office Expense	78.05	100.00	-
Postage	618.10	650.63	-
Printing Expense-ARKLA Daylily	8,316.70	9,194.15	1,111.80
Region 13 Meeting Registration	95.00	-	-
Region 13 Board Member Expense	1,000.00	1,000.00	-
RPD Expense	180.00	-	594.00
RVP Expense	1,238.47	-	-
Regional registration-Reg 13 Secretary, Treasurer & ARKLA Daylily editor	190.00	-	390.00
Total Expenses	14,511.66	13,395.03	2,095.80
Net Income	2,724.56	(44.13)	(517.60)
Cash balance beginning of period	7,363.97	10,088.53	10,044.40
Cash balance end of period	10,088.53	10,044.40	9,526.80

The cash balance was reported at \$9,526.80 as of April 30, 2005. He reported a substantial reduction in the printing costs for the ARKLA. The report was received.

Motion was made by Earlene Garber expressing the Region's appreciation to the Baton Rouge Area Daylily Society, Joe Goudeaux, Muriel Walker, and all of the members of the regional meeting planning committee for their outstanding service to

Region 13 of the American Hemerocallis Society in planning and sponsoring the regional meeting in Baton Rouge, Louisiana in 2005. The motion was seconded and unanimously carried.

The meeting was adjourned.
Herman C. Clause
Region 13 Secretary

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The Ed Wolf Memorial Youth Fund

Elmer Duplantis, Louisiana

A motion and vote at the May 21 Region 13 Business Meeting established a Youth Fund for the purpose of fostering and promoting interest in daylilies in the youth of the region.

Mrs. Edward (Timmie) Wolf of New Orleans has given permission for the fund to be named for her late husband. Ed was a tireless promoter of daylilies and of youth involvement. Ed had tried to start a youth involvement program through the schools in New Orleans but had slow progress. We hope to succeed in drawing more interested members to local clubs and to AHS and perhaps, among them, a few future hybridizers.

The fund will derive monies from the sales of seeds and daylilies. All donations will be accepted. Mark Breaux of New Orleans has an AHS Display Garden and sells seeds on the

Internet from his crosses/hybridizing and has pledged a percentage of his seed sales to the fund.

Profits from the Abbeville Daylily Festival Booth plant sales, manned by Myrtis and myself, will be donated to the region and divided between this new fund and the regular Regional funds.

As of this writing in June, there is \$320.00 in the fund. Patrick Guidry, our regional treasurer and a CPA, will handle the Youth Fund. Mark Breaux of New Orleans will manage the fund. Judge Herman Clause of Carencro, Louisiana, and Tom Walker, CPA of Baton Rouge, and I will assist in oversight.

For more information, please contact me. Elmer Duplantis at 337.981.0187.

In Memoriam: Ed Wolf

Ed Wolf of New Orleans passed away April 30 following a heart attack. Ed was a friend, a past President of Southeast Louisiana Daylily Society and a tireless promoter and defender of the daylily to any and all who would listen. His passion for the subject led him to one of his favorite places - speaking to schools and young people, working with the New Orleans Botanical Garden on the

creation of daylily display beds in the garden that serve to share the modern hybrid daylily with all garden visitors. His grin, his sharp dry humor and ready laugh will be greatly missed. Our hearts are with his wife and family. Thank you for sharing 'Clouseau' with all of us.

Delta Daylily Club Welcomes Youth Members

Elmer Duplantis, Louisiana

In April, Delta Daylily Society and its Vice President, Betty Prince of New Iberia, La, hosted a group of 10 young ladies from 4-H in her garden for a hands-on meeting about daylilies. The Delta club had agreed to sponsor the meeting and held a question-and-answer session discussing the planting, growing and caring for daylilies. Each girl was given three daylilies to take home and plant in soil they had prepared the day before. The club handed out literature to help the girls along. They were very excited to learn that Delta Daylily Society would also be paying a two-year youth membership to AHS for each girl. Their applications were sent to AHS in early May.

a watchful eye on these youths and if they show no interest at the end of the second year, Delta will not renew their AHS membership. Delta hopes to plant seeds for the future.

Photo provided by Delta Daylily Society.



Region 13 Honors at National Convention

AHS REGIONAL SERVICE AWARD – 2005

The American Hemerocallis Society has presented Muriel and Tom Walker the Regional Service Award for 2005. This award was given to them at the AHS National Convention in Cincinnati, Ohio this summer.



Photo by C. Crochet.

Regional Director John Holland made the presentation.



Muriel and Tom have long been involved in Region 13 activities and have contributed much time and effort towards a better region. They unselfishly have given of their talents to several daylily clubs and to regional activities.

Muriel has been the editor of the Regional Newsletter since 1999 and has won the award for the Best Newsletter for her good talents. Tom has always been an important co-worker with Muriel, providing much needed help.

Both have held or are holding offices in their local club. They also belong to three other daylily clubs and are making contributions to them by presenting guest programs and slide programs. They contribute daylily plants to the regional sales and to club sales.

Tom and Muriel have served as bus captains for the National Convention in Lafayette as well as bus captains for the regional tours and for local tours. Both Tom and Muriel have served on the planning committee for the 1999 Regional Meeting as well as for the 2005 Regional Meeting.

They served as photographers for the recent National Convention in Lafayette. Tom is usually busy with Regional photography where he prepares photos for the newsletter. As a result he has received Newsletter Awards for his articles on photography. He is presently serving as the Regional Publicity Director for our region.

Both Tom and Muriel are goodwill ambassadors for the AHS, Region 13, and the local clubs. They are well deserving of the Regional Service Award.

Clarence and Beth Crochet

REGION 13 MEMBERS RECEIVE NEWSLETTER AWARDS

by Beth Crochet, Louisiana

The Newsletter Awards were announced on Friday night at the National Convention in Cincinnati and presented by Hank Riggs, who is presently serving as Chairman of the Regional Officers.

Herman Clause, of Carencro/Lafayette, was presented an award for his article entitled "What Is Compost Tea?" The article appeared in *The Arkla Daylily* Spring 2004 issue.



Tom Walker of Baton Rouge received an award for his article entitled "The Electronic Gardener" which also appeared in *The Arkla Daylily* Spring 2004 issue.

Clarence Crochet of Prairieville received an award for his article entitled "Cream of the Crop" which appeared in the Fall 2004/Winter 2005 issue and highlighted outstanding blooms observed on their travels in 2004.



The National Convention culminated with a lively Saturday night Awards Banquet where numbers of awards were given for accomplishments in the daylily field. Among those were awards given to Region 13 member Clarence Crochet of Prairieville. He was awarded the 2005 David Hall Memorial Award for the Popularity Poll winner from Region 13, which is his introduction *H. 'King Kahuna.'* Photo by C. Crochet.



Clarence also received the 2005 Lambert-Webster Award for his unusual form daylily *H. 'All American Windmill'* as voted by the AHS Garden Judges for the top 2004 unusual form daylily. Photo by C. Crochet.

The ARKLA Daylily

Region 13 at National

Abbeville Daylily Festival



Tim Coffey of New Orleans visits the Dan Bachman Garden.



Nancy Barras of Lafayette enjoyed her first National!

Ken and Melissa Begnaud



Joe and Ginger Goudeau



Myrtis and Elmer Duplantis - on the road again!



Beth Crochet doesn't just visit a tour garden, she works it with all her 'tools' in her role as Photo Data Recorder for



Clarence's garden slides. So, enjoy the show - it's a joint effort!

Photos by Muriel Walker.

Elmer and Myrtis Duplantis, Louisiana

We had a fine time at the Abbeville Daylily Festival held in June. There were lots of daylily vendors including Myrtis and I as vendors selling for the Region. Of course, one could always use lots more customers. The festival is several years old, sponsored by the town and is held in the south Louisiana town known for such fine daylily hybridizers as W.B. MacMillan, Lucille Guidry and Clarence Simon. Today our own regional treasurer Patrick Guidry and his wife Diane live and garden there.

Myrtis and I sell our own and donated daylilies at this festival to benefit Region 13. We didn't do too badly in six and one half hours considering that we sold \$700 of daylily fans, netting \$660. This amount will be divided, as \$500 will go to the Region's General Fund and \$160 to the new Ed Wolf Memorial Youth Fund of Region 13.



The Duplantis' booth benefits Region 13.

There is a good deal of work involved for so short a time. We found that borrowing Joe Goudeau's metal rolling bread racks was a life saver idea. If you can come across some of these, I recommend you grab them if you want to sell daylilies.

We wish to thank and say "God Bless You" to Cathy Patin, for helping Myrtis and me with this sale.

Also, I want to say a great "Thank You" and "God Bless you both" to Diana and Patrick Guidry.



Above: Alice Pillaro of Delta Daylily.

Right is booth of Ellis Bienvenue, member of Delta Daylily.



Right is Dee Brasseur and friends with Diana Guidry and customer.



Left: C.J. and Judy Babineau.



Photos by Linda Carson.

Regional Meeting 2005: Some Like it Hot!

Tom Walker, Louisiana

When the slogan "Some Like It Hot" was chosen for this meeting, we had no idea it would be so true! The daylilies liked it and the events were lively.

Baton Rouge Daylily Society has received all sorts of accolades and praise for hosting such a fine meeting. There were 145 in attendance for the tours and meetings. It was the largest Regional Meeting that I have ever attended.

There were many surprises in store for everyone, even those who attended last year's local tour of Baton Rouge. For instance, Tim and Carolyn Tassin have completely converted their backyard to a daylily garden. There is no grass left, but rather just paths of crushed gypsum and daylily beds. I was pleasantly surprised by the conversion. Then there is Norman and Annette Pressler's. There is room enough in the front yard for a football field! Don't get excited, it isn't all in daylilies (yet)! They have only been collecting daylilies for a couple of years, so haven't run out of ideas. Leon and Ellen Richmond's swimming pool is new and was very inviting because of the heat, but no one succumbed to the temptation.

The AHS Display gardens of Clarence and Beth Crochet, Crochet Daylilies; and Daylilies, Etc. of Joe and Ginger

Clarence Crochet Wins Emma Middlebrooks Award 2005

If it is true that one must enter to win, then the winner of the Emma Middlebrooks Seedling Award competition is a good example. An entry this year, a seedling hybridized by Clarence Crochet of Prairieville, Louisiana, was voted on and won the seedling competition of Region 13.

Clarence was presented a crystal vase as token of the award by Regional Vice President Elmer Duplantis in May in Baton Rouge. Clarence thanked the attendees and asked all to send some of their seedlings to next year's Regional host bed in Alexandria.

This year the winner from Crochet Daylily Gardens was a pale cream with pink blush, a bright pink eye, deep gold throat and

Goudeau have become staples of annual club tours of daylily gardens in Baton Rouge, and visitors were delighted with these fine gardens. We know we will see the best of new and classics with a surprise or two.

Speaking of AHS Display gardens, visitors had a sneak preview of the newest one in Region 13 when we visited the quality daylily gardens of Jimmy and Linda Terrio in LaPlace, Louisiana. It will be fun to watch as they grow in the coming years. We hope to return and visit all these fine tour gardens in the near future.

We were able to put in a few new twists on old ideas into this tour. We had a videotape of the auction plants that played on the tour busses Friday. This let everyone take their time, and decide which they wanted to bid on during the Friday night live auction to benefit the region's activities. Joe Goudeau was entertaining as the auctioneer, while raising funds for Region 13; he auctioned a large number of donated plants quickly. Our speaker, Charles Douglas of Browns Ferry Garden in South Carolina, was a fitting sidekick to Joe. Jimmy Terrio did a terrific job as Plant Chairman and I want to congratulate and thank him on behalf of all in the Region.

Thanks to all for coming and don't be strangers!

ruffled gold wire edge. The cool morning temperature on the day of the tour may have contributed to some of the seedlings not achieving a usual full flat form. Even with this, several seedlings were notable and entries were from many parts of the Region.

Both Clarence and his wife Beth, as members of AHS, each send three seedlings every year to the competition and often find that the numbers work in their favor. Clarence chooses the entries and sends the plants to the host bed as early as possible. He feels this extra time helps the fans grow and have more blooms.

Congratulations!

A Ride on Browns Ferry

Bonnie Baker Richardson, Louisiana

The Friday evening program was a slide show and presentation by our guest speaker Charles Douglas. Browns Ferry Gardens in Georgetown, South Carolina, is a commercial garden specializing in newer registered hybrid daylilies that are proven repeat bloomers and perennials.

Charles shared some of his story with us in his presentation. What a wonderful introduction to flowers! His great-grandmother planted the seed of love for flowers in Charles when he was six years old. This love of flowers is evident in his gardens for he has not only daylilies, but flowers that his mother loved and many reflect his own affection for blooms of white with red eyes.

Many of Charles' daylilies have wonderful borders and eyes. His Southern roots are evident with a series of introductions using plantation names for many of his daylilies.

His slide show showcased introductions that are quite impressive. One of my favorites was *H. 'Loose As A Goose'* in reference to a gaggle of geese that call Browns Ferry Gardens home. It is a startling 5-inch light cream gold bloom with a dark peach orange eye and heavy bubbled/ruffled edge. Other favorites of the audience (myself included) were *H. 'Bryan Cook Memorial'* (C. Douglas 05), a very nice lavender bitone with white midrib and lime throat; *H. 'Mother's Joy'* (C. Douglas 05), a stunning lavender with wide deep royal purple eye and edge plus a silver wire threaded edge; *H. 'Browns Ferry Sweetheart'* (Douglas, C 05) a ruffled ivory blushed with pink and its red eye and ruffled edge. Photos on page 10.

Even his buildings on the garden property look truly Southern. One is old Cajun, complete with porch, tin roof, but one excellent improvement – restrooms for garden visitors. Views of the gardens included his 'dog pen' where seedlings go to be reconsidered and possibly redeemed. One slide I very much enjoyed was the garden geese marching along among the flowerbeds.

His humor and candor were quite refreshing and energizing. What a pleasure to have the opportunity to meet Charles and Vickie Douglas – a charming and amiable couple we can now count among our daylily friends.

The ARKLA Daylily

Great comments overheard about Regional Meeting:

I couldn't say it better myself! MCW

"Friendly folks to greet you at the hotel check in! Especially that guy, Bob, who helped with luggage! Great idea. Thanks."

"Love that Cajun Boutique with the Carmel Foret artwork of daylilies and the lady with the custom embroidery tote bags. Spent all my money."

"Who thought of the rolling shelves for the table plant sale? And the colored tubs to fill with my purchases? I love it."

"Oh Lord, she found the checkbook."

"Polly (Glover) and Janis (d'Benedetto) on that Rockin' & Rollin' bus."

"I loved Jimmy Terrio's birds and that bird house swing."

"The Thursday night social was so good to get to meet people and boy, are they good cooks! Do ya'll eat all the time?"

"My husband usually hates the banquets but he stayed for the whole thing and he liked it!"

"Is that how you hybridize? Oh, I'm going to try that. I thought it was science."

"Wow, did you see Ed's (Herringshaw) yard for Garden Judges Workshop? It's great like all the others."

"More food? I'm so full but that looks so good."

"I like that Cajun auction. I won 2 prizes for my pocket money."

"Woah, can my yard look like this?"

"How did you all do the videotape of flowers on the bus? ..saw 6 I want for sure." (ask Tom Walker)

"I really enjoyed the two forums you all did. I learned a lot." (Hybridizers Forum and "What bugs your daylilies?")

"That selling Cajun Auction tickets on the bus? My wife went nuts but I won." Said as he was grinning.

"Where did you find these great garden gift baskets?" (Thanks go to Elaine Landry, Marie Istre, and Carolyn Sonier.)

"Thank you. It was so great. Are they all like this?" YES!

And my favorite:

"Where are we going next year?"

"I love the coffee mug with Mr. Clarence's original daylily design. But that dark roast coffee is REALLY strong!"



SINGING PRAISE

May 24, 2005

Dear Folks:

What can we say? We had SO much fun! We can't even tell you! We really do feel like we are honorary (or maybe "ornery" -grin!) members of BRDS! We relived a lot of the meeting on our trip home (which, we thankfully made safely, without any hitches).

Waiting for us in the mail at home was our comp copy of Region 13 newsletter and it was fun to recognize so many of the faces! Our gift and auction plants are all safely in the ground. We made one of the jambalaya mixes last night (not nearly as good as yours, Joe & Ginger, but close enough to remind us of good food & good times).

To thank you, we wrote a little song for you. I want to send it to Polly Glover too. Hope you enjoy it! Kathy & Marcus

"The Region 13 Annual Daylily Meeting"

(to the tune of "The Beverly Hillbillies"... and w/apologies to Region 13, it's just an easy tune to write fun lyrics to....)

***Here's a little story 'bout Region 13,
-the best Annual Meeting anyone had ever seen;
With Goudeaus at the helm & lots more at the wheel,
The Daylily meeting had that true Southern Feel.....
(hospitality that is.....Cajun style.....)***

***We loaded on the buses to tour gardens each day,
Saw fabulous gardens...lots of fun along the way.
We won lots of prizes; the bus captains were a treat...
Enjoyed every minute, in spite of record heat!!
(“Some like it Hot”...95 degrees that is...May, in the shade!)***

***Well, the great region hybridizers, they were all there,
Showing slides of seedlings that were way beyond compare.
There was a Cajun Auction selling all the latest ware....
The bidders left the banquet with their wallets really bare..
(Money, that is...all gone, EMPTY pockets...)***

***Now if you ever want to go South to have some fun,
Go to Region 13 Annual Meeting...that's the one!
You'll leave there with a smile on, and some good new friends to boot,
Your belly full, your sides will ache, and lots of "D-L Loot"
(Fabulous daylilies, that is...latest crosses: "Ya'll come back now, ya hear?")***

Regional 2005

Regional Photo Gallery



Joe and Charles give the Browns Ferry Garden slide show. 05/20/2005



The Garbers and Tulliers
Joe, new way to keep a lady from bidding?



Lunch with a view at Daylilies Etc.



MOTHERS JOY
Charles Douglas, 2005

H. 'Mother's Joy' (Douglas '05)



H. 'Loose As A Goose'
(Douglas '04)



BROWNS FERRY SWEETHART
Charles Douglas, 2005

H. 'Browns Ferry Sweetheart'
(Douglas '05)

Busy Cajun Country Boutique with Plant Sale, Carmel Foret artwork, Cajun Auction and custom daylily embroidery items.



Enjoying Saturday evening:
left to right:
Clarence Crochet,
Tom Walker,
Joe Goudeau,
and Jimmy Terrio.

Photos by Linda Carson.



Richmond Garden



H. 'Cajun Gambler' (L. Guidry '86)



H. 'Totally Awesome' (S. G. Ward '93)



H. 'Anne Faggard' (B. Brown '84)
Richmond photos by John Holland.



Pressler Garden

Pressler photos by Earlene Tullier.



H. 'Bahama Butterschotch' (E.H. Salter '90)



H. 'Dream Express' (Morss '91)



Regional 2005 Tour Gardens

Richmond Garden

Donnie Barnes, Louisiana

The garden of Ellen and Leon Richmond is a terrific example of what enthusiasm can accomplish. This lovely home and garden sit on two-thirds of an acre in a wooded section of Gonzales, Louisiana, just south of Baton Rouge. Ellen and Leon are both past officers of Baton Rouge Daylily; she served as president and he as treasurer. Ellen is originally the gardener in the family and while Leon is her biggest supporter, both are drawn to the beauty and friends the garden has brought to them. Ellen is a recent 'graduate' of the Louisiana Master Gardeners program and the variety of plantings in the garden is astounding.

Perimeter beds line the driveway and the front entrance walk which are home to most of the daylilies. Beds along the sides of the home are filled with daylilies and some of the companion plants Ellen loves. The front yard is full sun and suits the daylilies best. Classic daylily cultivars such as the red tetraploid of the late Lee Gates' *Hemerocallis* 'Seducator' registered in 1983 and Doug Mayfield's *H.* 'Douglas Potter' from 1982 live happily next to *H.* 'Totally Awesome,' a rose pink blend double by S. G. Ward ('93). The popular unusual formed *H.* 'Peacock Maiden' with its nine-inch twisting rose lavender petals and large white-eye caught my eye. A lovely large pink diploid, *H.* 'New Friend' introduced by Rudy Pacas of Baton Rouge, in 1995 is among the many sentimental and special cultivars seen here, as Ellen and Rudy have been friends and members of BRDS for years.

Other cultivars in bloom on tour day were the lovely cream *H.* 'Presumed Innocent' by Bob Carr (98), *H.* 'Ann Faggard' by Bobo Faggard in clump form with several blooms, and *H.* 'Reverie In Purple' (Gates 93) with its deep violet purple color holding well in the morning sun just a few miles from where it was hybridized. Lucile Guidry's *H.* 'Cajun Gambler' (86) was in fine color of burnt orange polychrome shimmering in the sunlight while Clarence Crochet's *H.* 'Pink

Embrace' introduced in 1996 had a lovely clear pink blossom. This garden is like walking among a group of old friends and wonderful memories of them through the beautiful flowers they created.

In the light shade of the back gardens is a new garden feature - a new in-ground free-form swimming pool. This is a favorite spot of Leon's and Ellen loves her cabana. Plantings around all give the back garden a tropical feel with daylilies where there is sun and the shade is filled with Hostas, gingers, banana trees and blooming vines. Winding walking trails among all the plantings feature Ellen's hand made stepping-stones with mementos of family members and even some made by the grandchildren. Some have designs in color ceramic mosaics of stylized daylily blooms. One favorite spot in Ellen's garden is always the garden bench home of Madame DuPot, this year sporting her very own Red Hat. Several ladies of kindred spirit delighted in finding a Red Hat Gal in the Garden and made it a Kodak moment!

Ellen and her garden angels of family and friends served light refreshments and juice on the back garden patio and everyone welcomed the treats. Ellen even shared some of her 'pass along' plants to tour visitors ensuring the Southern hospitality legend lives on. Our hope is that this lovely couple, their home and gardens enjoy a long and happy life with family, and many visitors will fill their days. We thank you both for allowing us to visit your little bit of Heaven.



Pressler Garden

Muriel Walker, Louisiana

Country roads are supposed to lead to surprises, natural beauty and homes you could find on a wish list. The country road to the garden and home of Annette and Norman Pressler is just such a road. Smooth meadow-like lawns and mature southern oaks frame this lovely traditional brick home located on seven acres just north of Baton Rouge.

Several large island beds hold clumps of newer hybrid daylilies with some blooming companion plants. Annette happily gathers cultivars and Norman good-naturedly builds beds for their growing collection. They have had some daylilies for about 15 years, but began seriously collecting 2 or 3 years ago and now have over 375 cultivars.

Norman's new theme bed for this tour is in the front garden and hints to one of his other loves - his Harley Davidson motorcycle! The bed is a shaped version of the famous Harley crest and wings logo. Annette tells us he had been working on it for about 2 years to be ready for our tour day.

Wide perimeter beds wrap the house and front entrance while wide paved walks make viewing easy for all ages. Here I saw *Hemerocallis* 'Dream Express' (Morss '91) growing in a fine clump and blooming in full force. It is a ruffled pink apricot bloom with a rose eye and yellow throat. The blue green foliage was a great plus in the sunny bed. Also, *H.* 'Strawberry Edge' (Houston '98) caught my eye with its color combination and great edge - well named! Glowing and holding up well in the heat was the deep gold *H.* 'Bahama Butterscotch' (E. Salter '90).

The entrance corner bed is home to a mature Sago palm, flame cannas and a fine tall spreading Crepe Myrtle. Add to this clumps of classic daylilies in the sunny beds leading to the rear entryway of the home and back gardens.

Wonderful refreshments on the breezeway and bright umbrellas on the patio offered a cool resting spot near the back shaded garden. Garden angel friends and family greeted visitors and made sure no one went away hungry.

Goudeau Garden

Dr. John Holland, Arkansas

Beyond the back beds of perennials and varied garden plants, stretched a black iron fence with wide gates to fenced paddocks and a classic barn for Annette's Arabian horses. One corner of the barn sheltered Norman's next project – restoring his classic American "muscle" car.

We boarded the buses with many a sigh, ideas for our gardens and the sure knowledge that we had in the Presslers both new friends and a beautiful garden we all hope to visit again.

Lee Gates Memorial Award Presented to Pressler Garden



At the awards banquet on Saturday night, Annette and Norman were delighted when Elmer Duplantis, RVP, and Muriel Walker, President of BRDS presented them the 2005 Lee Gates Memorial Award. It is given to the tour garden owners growing the most popular clump of a registered red daylily cultivar in bloom as seen during the tour. The clump of *Hemerocallis* 'Seducer' (Gates '83) was voted the favorite. This six-inch tetraploid blooms early and reblooms making it great for our long growing season. The Lee Gates is a local award, voted by all the tour visitors and presented by the Baton Rouge Daylily Society.

Photo by Ellen Richmond.

To say Joe and Ginger Goudeau are passionate about daylilies would be like saying Hershey likes chocolate. Who else would have built their daylily beds before building their home? This busy couple did just that.

The specimens in this home collection and garden business are certainly outstanding with approximately 1,200 cultivars of registered hybrid daylilies and 10,000 seedlings. Most are for sale offering a wide choice for both the novice buyer and the avid collector. Joe's first three introductions are *Hemerocallis* 'Myrtis Duplantis', *H.* 'Nekkid Woman On A Tractor', and *H.* 'Last To The Buffet Line'. Assuming these intros are indicative of things to come, we can anticipate many future introductions of outstanding merit.

This two-acre site combines a spacious new home with numerous 500 - square-foot beds. Visitors enjoyed the cool shade and lunch that was served in the 24-foot wooden gazebo complete with swings. Although the daylily is certainly the star of their show, Daylilies, Etc. also offers for sale a diverse range of plant material including Hostas, gingers, palms and crepe myrtle. I even found New Zealand Flax prominently displayed and offered for sale.

This garden was the location of the Emma Middlebrooks Memorial Award seedling bed for 2005. Prominently placed in front of the residence, the bed held approximately 25 promising seedlings from Region 13 hybridizer/members. Attendees voted their choice and the winner was announced on Saturday evening at the banquet.

A perimeter garden bed of mixed perennials and daylilies encircles several island beds in the front of the residence. Along a sweeping circular drive stretching to the back of the property and sized to accommodate tour buses, we strolled the 300-foot long border garden some ten feet wide filled with clumps of recent introductions. The sales beds fill what was left of the lawn in the back garden where once there was to be a swimming pool. How things can change! Among the cultivars in these beds are the fine *H.* 'J. T. Davis' (Grace '99), a lovely near

white, *H.* 'Linda Agin' (T. Wilson '98), a pale pink blushed mother of pearl shade. *H.* 'Pearl Harbor' (Carr '97) and *H.* 'Sherry Lane Carr' (Carr '93) are credited by Joe as adding to his branching and bud count of his seedlings.

The Goudeau seedling crops are quite comfortable in a large working shade cloth house, and former batting cage for son Joseph are now home for newly potted seeds from their hybridizing efforts plus in various beds that run along the east side of the drive and the property. Joe and Ginger both hybridize and their daughter Ashley even has a seedling to her credit. Joe credits meeting Larry Grace and use of his seedlings as a jump start for his program with contributions from David Kirchoff's reds and doubles, John Kinnebrew, Jeff Salter and Patrick Stamile's edges and Jack Carpenter's blue-eyed seedlings. Ginger has been experimenting with flowers from Dan Hanson and Mort Morss. Joe claims Ginger has never seen a purple or red she did not like.

Garden whimsy is displayed throughout the garden such as aged farm implements, old boats, and what appears to be a huge garden dragon that resembles one rumored to live in the Loch Ness. One of Joe's favorite works of "whimsy" is one he built - the scale replica of a classic red barn with "See Rock City" prominently displayed on its roof. It serves as the garden shed for the more practical and modern tools.

While it is obvious that Joe and Ginger's priorities include their family, Ashley, 16, and Joseph, 11, their horticulture endeavors are mind-boggling considering their vocations. Joe is a property manager and Ginger is a payroll analyst, yet she also attends Louisiana State University part-time and Joe coaches youth baseball and basketball.

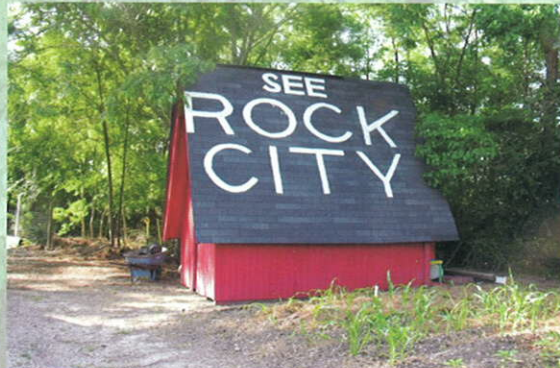
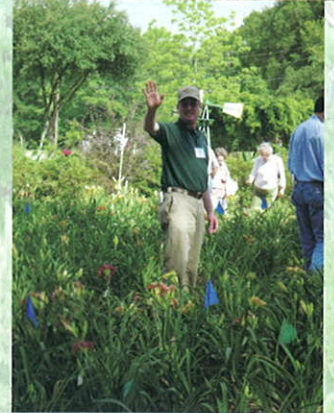
When you have a passion for something, you make time for it and both Joe and Ginger freely give of their time to daylily organizations at the local, regional, and national level. This is obviously a very busy family, and they serve as an example of what is possible and good with regard to volunteerism and family.

Regional 2005

Goudeau Garden



H. 'Myrtis Duplantis' (2005)



Ashley Goudeau as our tour hostess.



Vickie and Charles Douglas

Anyone see Nessie?



Photos by Linda Carson, Earlene Tullier, Tom Walker and John Holland.

Crochet Garden



H. 'Go L. S. U.!'
(Crochet '05)

Photo by Tom Walker.



H. 'Mae Sackett' (Crochet '05)
Photo by C. Crochet.



H. 'Richfield Earlene
Garber' (Crochet '04)
Photo by C. Crochet.



Crochet Gardens - one of six oval island beds in front garden.
Photo by Earlene Tullier.

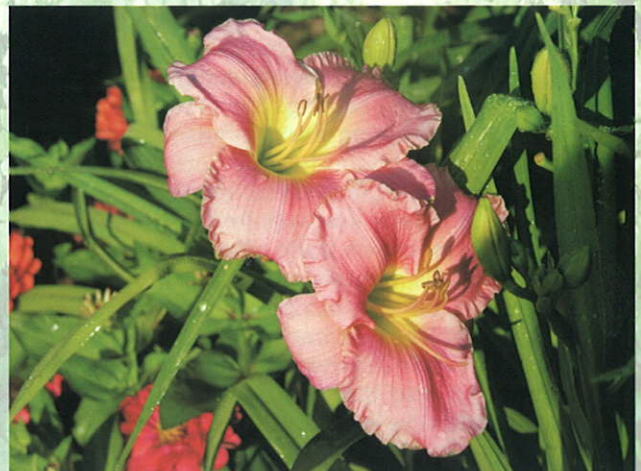


Clarence among his seedlings.
Photo by Gayle Clement.

Garden Judges Workshop 2 was taught by Clarence and Beth Crochet in the garden of Ed and Sherry Herringshaw.



Workshop photos by M. Walker.



H. 'Etta Hart' (Crochet '04)
Photo by Tom Walker.

Regional 2005 Tour Gardens

Crochet Garden

Tom Walker, Louisiana

On Mother's Day about 1995, I took my wife, Muriel, to look for the man who raised daylilies down in Prairieville, Louisiana. It was not hard to find the Crochet Daylily Garden, and she picked a few plants that she liked, and we made our first purchase of daylilies from Mrs. Beth Crochet, spending \$30.00 as I remember, which I thought was a large purchase. Muriel visited with Mr. Clarence and Mrs. Beth for a while, and Mrs. Beth handed her a brochure for the club bus tour the next weekend. That was Muriel's first tour, I did not go with her on that tour, and "the rest is history."

Any tour of daylily gardens during these years has included the Crochet Daylily Garden. While others have come and gone from the tours, the Crochets' garden has always been included. As such, it has been "written up" more times than one can count, so here is my version.

The Crochets began their life with daylilies by making the trip to Mr. McMillan's garden in Abbeville, Louisiana, purchasing plants from him, and bringing them back to Prairieville to grow and offer for sale. Even today, they purchase what they consider the best offerings of other hybridizers, to include them in the cultivars that they offer to their customers and include these new genes into their hybridizing program.

This is a grower's garden. They have a selection of offerings from many of the other hybridizers around the country, and many of their own introductions. This garden is over 40 years old, and they have been making their selections from the available seedlings that they have hybridized during this period.

The beds in front of the house are the display beds. Here you will find the latest and greatest of their offerings, any guest plants that they may have, and certainly the newest plants from other hybridizers. The bed along the front of the house is where they grow the seedlings that they are watching (literally outside the living room window) to consider for introduction.

Here the plants range in price from \$30.00 to \$200.00 and over.

Behind the house are the older and less costly plants. These are the plants that "have stood the test of time," the standards that will probably always have an admirer. They usually range from \$2.00 to \$30.00. These beds were where our first purchases were growing that day - oh, for those good old days.

The "show stoppers" this year were *Hemerocallis* 'King Kahuna' introduced in 1994 by Clarence and in the running for the Stout Medal from AHS this year, *H.* 'Go L. S. U.!' just introduced this year and causing a lot of excitement with LSU fans, and *H.* 'Mae Sackett' also a 2005 introduction.

The quality of the plants, and the visit with Mr. Clarence and Mrs. Beth make this one of those gardens that "you have just gotta see!" during bloom season.



Lafayette Ladies Lu Smith, Mattie Broussard and Delores Menard enjoy the Baton Rouge Botanical Garden.



Bettie Prince and Mary Delambre smell the roses.

Terrio Garden

Myrtis Duplantis, Louisiana

All who have met them love Jimmy and Linda Terrio. It matters not when or where you meet them, there is always a lovely smile and a happy greeting. Both Jimmy and Linda fell in love with the daylilies, which led them to belong to the Baton Rouge club and the New Orleans club. Jimmy serves on the Advisory Committee to the BRDS officers and was the Plant Auction Chairman for this 2005 Regional; a fund raising job for which he has shown a real talent!

Our visit to their lovely home on two-thirds of an acre in a quiet subdivision in LaPlace was overwhelming and the flowers beautiful. They have over 400 of the latest and best of registered cultivars of daylilies, plus a number of the best-registered oldies. No one needed to tell you that you were in an AHS Display Garden. There are accent plants that complement the daylilies in size, proportion and color. Needless to say, the lawn and gardens are married together like a bride and groom for all to admire.

The front garden is clean and crisp with beds hugging the house and walkways. An iron archway is entrance to Jimmy's seedling beds on the south yard and here we found wonderful seedlings in bloom - many with four to six-inch wide bases or crowns. Never have I seen such growth. Jimmy confided he uses Milorganite a lot.

Moving into the backyard and garden, we found a lovely area for visitors under



Carmel Patterson, Earlene Pitre, Jeanne Luquette, Willie Mae Hebert, and Shirley Torres enjoy the Baton Rouge Botanical Garden.

Some Like it HOT!

Baton Rouge Botanical Garden

a covered patio with wooden slat roof for sun control and a clear solid surface underneath to handle the rain. Add to this a large swing to view the garden and I could move in! One side of this large patio is covered by two giant split leaf philodendrons spreading fourteen feet across and eight feet high – up to the roof! Across the circular patch of lawn are more daylily beds including a doubles bed and a bed of hybridizers from Region 13. On the rear wall of the garden is a picnic area with another swing that invites one to sit and enjoy Jimmy's aviary of colorful songbirds and cooing doves. It is a very pleasant retreat indeed.

Jimmy loves to collect found objects for his garden. He has antique iron fencing discarded by an area church and he uses these as accent trellis in the beds. He builds whimsical birdhouses from weathered fence wood and old timber. His recycling becomes creating works of art and the garden is full of his birdhouses and art.

Linda served a lovely table of snacks and punches for the tour visitors. Fresh fruit, pastries and treats were so wonderful no one could pass up 'just one more taste.' She and her friends and garden angels that helped that day could teach a course on hospitality to a tour bus or two. Thank you, ladies!

Jimmy is always ready to help friends or clubs. He says he has learned much of what works in his garden by helping others in the garden. Be it weeding or planting in the New Orleans Botanical Garden Daylily beds or helping a friend up the road, he has a proven commitment to friends and the betterment of daylily gardens. He has stretched out in the last few years and begun to hybridize. His bulging seedling beds are a promise of great things to come.

I want to thank Jimmy and Linda for allowing us to share their lovely garden. Also we thank Jimmy for all the years, miles driven and energy you have given to the clubs. May your garden, your family and your hybridizing bring you joy and breathtaking daylilies!

On the site of the former city airport retired after World War II, the Baton Rouge Botanical Garden is now part of the Independence Park. These days it is near the center of most of the city and gives our residents a lovely place to enjoy many varied plantings and species of Southern flora. Several established gardens include the extensive iris garden, herb garden, a formal rose display garden, romantic Crepe Myrtle Walk and a sensory garden.

The Daylily Garden was begun in 1991 by a group of hardworking volunteers with plants donated by Mrs. Saxon, widow of B. B. Saxon, a former president of the Baton Rouge Daylily Society. In 2001 the Botanical Garden Volunteers expanded it and over 440 recent cultivars were added. These were donated and planted by Joe and Ginger Goudeau and Clarence and Beth Crochet.

The daylily plantings consist of an impressive collection of classic and modern cultivars in a public garden setting that is open to the public 365 days a year.

In the garden on tour day to greet the regional visitors were Art Landry and Claire Fontenot, two of the volunteers from the Friends of The Botanical Garden and happily they are also members of BRDS. Large oaks gave welcomed shade and garden volunteers served juice and punch with cookies. While wheelchair accessible, everyone enjoyed the wide paved walks through the gardens. Among the classic cultivar daylilies were several introductions from Lee Gates. I admired *Hemerocallis* 'Seductor' - for me his consummate red. Other cultivars making a fine show were *H.* 'Pink Embrace' by Clarence Crochet ('96) and his small flowered *H.* 'Yellow Lollipop' ('80). Several others I liked that were ahead of their time by Lucile Guidry included *H.* 'Brent Gabriel' ('81), a purple bitone with white watermark and *H.* 'Geisha Maiden' ('89) is a pink peach blend with dark lavender eye. Other cultivars in the collection include

introductions from Pat Stamile, Jeff Salter, W.B. MacMillan and many others.

It was so nice to visit the Botanical Garden as it is today and I want to thank Art and Claire for 'keeping the garden' plus all the donors and volunteers for having vision and determination to make it happen. From seeds planted many years ago, Baton Rouge now has a fine daylily collection in its Botanical garden.

Tassin Garden

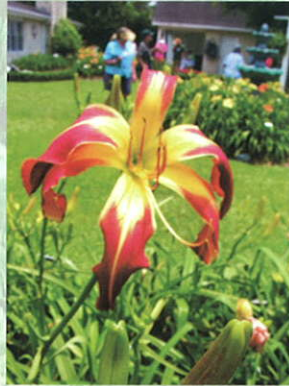
Ricky Meaux, Louisiana

Nestled in the small backyard of a suburban town home sits the most spectacular little daylily garden one's eyes could hope to see. It is the garden of Tim and Carolyn Tassin in LaPlace, LA. I had the pleasure of touring the garden during the recent Region 13 Regional Meeting Tour. Well-manicured rock pathways lead you around beds of pretty registered cultivars and beds filled with hundreds of seedlings Tim has hybridized. His enthusiasm can be seen in the quality of size, color and shapes of his many seedlings. Every inch of space is put to good use. I was appalled to hear that many seedlings go to the trash pile because they do not measure up to Tim's standards. "Hey Tim, send some my way. One man's trash is another man's treasure."

Although I was told Carolyn is not much into hybridizing, you can see she shares in the joy of Tim's efforts and in the beauty of their little garden. I enjoyed talking to her about their Night Blooming Cirrus and want to thank her for the tip on using rebar for it to climb on. Finally, there standing amongst all those daylilies was one lone Cypress tree. One remaining element of the original yard, it was as though it was standing guard over Tim's hard and diligent efforts. The Tassin garden is a beautiful garden gem showing that much can be done with a little space.

Regional 2005

Terrio Garden



H. 'Susan Pritchard Petit' (Petit '01)



H. 'Thin Man' (Trimmer '02)

Terrio seedlings.
Clockwise: T2005-1;
T2005-2; T2005-3.

Seedling photos by Gayle Clement.



Terrio Garden Photo by Gayle Clement.



Photo by John Holland.

Entrance to Jimmy Terrio's garden is through his seedling beds.



H. 'Flamboyant Edges' (Stamile '01)



Tassin Garden



Tassin Garden visitors Photo by Gayle Clement.



Tassin Seedling -tt32005



Tim Tassin Seedling -tt12005
Photo by Gayle Clement.



Photo by Tom Walker.



Photo by John Holland.



H. 'Mandalay Bay Music' (Salter '01)



H. 'Merry Moppet' (E.H. Salter '02)



H. 'Electric Marmalade Magic'
(Kinnebrew '01)

Baton Rouge Botanical Garden

H. 'Small Gesture'
(G. Stamile '97)



Photo by John Holland.



Breakfast in the garden.
Photo by Tom Walker.

Baton Rouge Botanical Garden.
Photo by Linda Carson.



Popularity Poll 2005

Pop Poll Vote Tally for Region 13 2005

Votes	Cultivar Name	Hybridizer
30	King Kahuna	Crochet
14	Jolie Monde	Crochet
11	True Pink Beauty	Copenhaver
10	Richfield Muriel's Double	Crochet
9	Barbara Sheets	Crochet
9	Beautiful Edgings	Copenhaver
8	Sabine Bauer	Salter
7	Emma Jean	Jerry McCarty
7	Etta Heart	Crochet
7	Go L. S. U.!	Crochet
6	Awesome Blossom	Salter
6	Clothed In Glory	Grace
6	Moonlit Masquerade	Salter
6	Orange Velvet	Joiner
6	Strawberry Candy	Stamile
5	All American Windmill	Crochet
5	Curly Cinnamon Windmill	Crochet
5	Richfield Grandeur	Crochet
4	Black Ambrosia	Salter
4	Ed Brown	Salter
4	Elizabeth Salter	Salter
4	Lauren Beebe	Copenhaver
4	Siloam Double Classic	Henry
4	Siloam Jean Hogan	Henry
4	Spider Man	Durio
4	Victorian Lace	Stamile
3	Clouds Before the Storm	K. Begnaud
3	Frosted Vintage Ruffles	K. Begnaud
3	Great White	Stamile
3	Happy Apache	D. Hanson
3	Invitation to Immortality	Kirchhoff
3	J. T. Davis	L. Grace
3	Jason Salter	E. Salter
3	Patricia Crochet	Crochet
3	Richfield Earlene Garber	Crochet
3	Richfield Wonder	Crochet
3	Royal Pink Twist	J. Carpenter
3	Seduced	D. Hanson
3	Spacecoast Cranberry Breeze	Kinnebrew

For photos of the top cultivars, please see the back cover of this issue.

2 Votes : Awesome Candy, Betty Warren Woods, Bill Norris, Canadian Border Patrol, Captain Chris, Charming Charlie, Cherry Eyed Pumpkin, Cherry Valentine, Chuck's Choice, Cinnamon Sunrise, Classic Edge, Cosmic Dancer, Daring Deception, Darla Anita, Denali, Diamonds and Pearls, Dreams of Destiny, El Padre, Ellen Christine, Emerald Splendor, Forever Red, Francois Verhaert, Here My Love, How Beautiful Heaven Must Be, Ida's Magic, Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis, Jan's Twister, Jay Farquhar, Jerry Pate Williams, Joan Senior, Jog On, John Allgood, Lake City Dude, Lake Norman Spider, Larry Grace, Lavender Blue Baby, Lori Goldston, Martina Verhaert, Melissa's Smile, Ming Porcelain, Nature's Crown, New Friend, Nordic Mist, Paige's Pinata, Patsy Carpenter, Pearlfisher Pink, Pink Embrace, Pirates Patch, Purple Eyed Magic, Scarlet Lipstick, Seductor, Seminole Wind, Siloam Amazement, Siloam Celebration, Siloam Doris Simpson, Siloam John Walters, Stop The Show, Sungold Candy, Visual Intrigue, Wisest of Wizards

One vote: Abundant Cascades, Abundant Love, African Gold, Ahoy Matey, All Fired Up, Always Afternoon, Always My Love, American Freedom, Americas Most Wanted, Art Imperial, August Morn, Babes in Toyland, Barbara Mitchell, Beautiful Jealous Eye, Bela Lugosi, Belle Cook, Benton's Sunset, Bertie, Beverly Rayburn, Big Kiss, Blake Allen, Blooms Within, Blue Oasis, Brand New Beauty, Brittany Danielle, Brown Eyed Girl, Bubba, Bull Durham, California Sunshine, Cancun, Cats Cradle, Charlie Pierce Memorial, Cherrystone, Child of Fortune, China Bride, Connie Burton, Courting Trouble, Cranberry Chalet, Crystal Blue Persuasion, Custard Candy, Daring Dilemma, Desperado Love, Divine Comedy, Dixie Boy, Doyle Pierce, Driving Me Wild, Druid's Chant, Egyptian Queen, El Desperado, Electric Mist, Empress Mei Ling, Endless Summer, Eskimo Kisses, Etosha, Evelyn Gates, Feathered Fascination, Felicia Grace, Ferengi Gold, First Knight, Flamboyant Eye, Frazeen, Free Wheeling, Gene Walker, Giddy Go Round, God Bless Texas, Good Morning America, Grand Old Flag, Granny Coot, Heaven's Glory, Hidden Riches, Ida's Braid, Indain Sky, Indian Giver, Islesworth, Jane Angus, Jane Trimmer, Jasmine, Joie De Vivre, Jolyene Nichole, Kalidescope Treasure, Key Lime Ice, King Is Coming, Knocks Your Socks Off, Lacy Marionette, Lemonberry Truffle, Leona Ester, Leonard Bernstein, Linda Daniels, Little Deeke, Little Wart, Little Wren, Lois Burns, Lola Branham, Look Here Mary, Magic Carpet Ride, Mammias Cherry Pie, Mandarin Crème, Marked By Lydia, Martha Reed, Mary Jane Carpenter, Mary's Gold, Mary's Homecoming, Micro Dots, Midnight Dynamite, Midnight Madness, Mountain Almond, My First Gift, My True Love, Nivia Guest, Nuka, Only Believe, Pastel Classic, Peach Magnolia, Pine Belt Rainbow, Pink for Two, Pink Ruffled Love, Pink Super Spider, Pink Zinger, Pony, Popcorn Pete, Premier Edition, Presumed Innocent, Pure Indulgence, Rabbit Ears, Raise The Standard, Ransom Note, Raspberry Wine, Red Volunteer, Renegade Lady, Respighi, Richfield Eye Shocker, Rose Fireglow, Rose Red Ruffles, Rose Vision, Roses with Peaches, Ruby Spider, Saints & Sinners, Sans Magic, Scarlet Orbit, Siloam Half and Half, Siloam Holy City, Siloam Ratcliffs Anniversary, Skinny Dipping, Skinwalker, Slade Brown, Small Gesture, Smokey Wonder, Spacecoast Sweetness, Splendid Touch, Steely Blue Eyes, Stella De Oro, Steve Trimmer, Superlative, Swiss Legacy, Taffeta Mist, Tangerine Corduroy, Terry Jyninger, Texas Whopper Stopper, Thebes, Thin Man, This One's For You, Thunder and Lightning, Tigerling, Topguns Lola Scott, Total Look, Tropicana Treat, True Blue Heart, Truly Angelic, Tupac Amaru, Tusawilla Snowdrift, Twisting Ballerina, Two Part Harmony, Uninhibited, Velvet Rose, Victorian Collar, Wally, Wedding Band, Whiskey on Ice, Whooperee, Wintermint Candy, Yabba Dabba Doo, You Angel You, Zinfandel Blush

Shows and Displays in the Region

Hemerocallis Study Club Holds AHS Accredited Flower Show

by David Waters, Shreveport, LA

On June 4, 2005 was the day of our Flower Show and Plant Sale at the Barnwell Art and Garden Center in Shreveport. Our local newspaper provided an outstanding feature article about daylilies and the public response was terrific. All sale plants were rapidly sold. A most successful Show and Sale in every respect!

Best Extra Large Flower:

H. 'True Pink Beauty' (N.Copenhaver 1992)
Exhibited by Jerry McCarty

Best Large Flower:

H. 'Midnight Magic' (Kinnebrew 1979)
Exhibited by Dean Williams

Best Small Flower:

H. 'Awesome Candy' (Stamile 2000)
Exhibited by Stan Hensley

Best Miniature Flower:

H. 'Mary Ethel Anderson' (E. Salter 1995)
Exhibited by Lawrence Davis

Best Double Flower:

H. 'Viennese Truffle' (Kirchhoff 1999)
Exhibited by Jerry McCarty

Best Spider:

H. 'Marse Connell' (Connell 1952)
Exhibited by David Waters

Best Unusual Form:

H. 'Spider Miracle' (Hendricks 1998)
Exhibited by Lawrence Davis

Youth:

H. 'Slender Lady' (Crandall 1987)
Exhibited by Nick Walker

Popularity Poll:

H. 'King Kahuna' (Crochet 1994)
Exhibited by David Waters

Seedling: David Waters

Best In Show: *H. 'Magic Midnight'*

Sweepstakes: Jerry McCarty

Design Tri-Color Award: David Waters

Appreciation Award: Virginia Lutterman

Many thanks to all who participated in this event!

Northwest Arkansas Daylily Holds Exhibition

Pat Pilley, Show Chairman

Saturday, June 18, we completed our very first official American Hemerocallis Society Daylily Exhibition. The response from local gardeners was great, as was the reaction from regular Mall visitors. We had 104 entries with a ribbon count of 34 purple, 54 blue and 10 red. As of show date, our club's exhibition was the only one done in Arkansas, something we can all take pride in having done as a relatively young organization.

Best Large Flower:

H. 'Sherry Lane Carr' (Carr 1993)
Exhibited by Libby Beecher

Best Double Flower:

H. 'Siloam Benton County' (Henry 1997)
Exhibited by Robert Stassen

Best Spider:

H. 'Kindly Light' (Bechtold 1949)
Exhibited by Tamara Stassen

Best Unusual Form:

H. 'Pink Super Spider' (K. Carpenter 1982)
Exhibited by Jean Toenges

Youth:

H. 'Russell Southall' (Elliott 1985)
Exhibited by Alexandra Stassen

Popularity Poll:

H. 'King Kahuna' (Crochet 1994)
Exhibited by Robert Stassen

Best of Show: *H. 'Sherry Lane Carr'*

Sweepstakes: Linda Buchanan



Courting the EMMA?

EMMA MIDDLEBROOKS Entries

To say that the showing in the EMMA MIDDLEBROOKS Award seedling bed, at a regional meeting, can be unpredictable is a big understatement. Many people have asked how one might improve the performance of their entries in the competition. Since weather is still the major uncontrolled factor, we look at other factors with which we can work.

We have had discussions about this in the past, and still suggest that entries be sent to the EMMA MIDDLEBROOKS host garden a good NINETEEN MONTHS prior to the meeting when they will compete for the award. This will permit them to somewhat acclimate to the climate before they are expected to bloom. A host club picks the date on which they will host the meeting trying to target the peak bloom for their area. With this in mind, we should pick a seedling that performs well at that time. A host club could help by publishing the usual or average peak bloom period for their area.

Each Region 13 AHS member may send up to 3 different seedlings for entry and that should increase your chances.

Another suggestion is to send a vigorous clump of three fans or more of each seedling. This will give you a better chance of having a bud that will be open on judging day during the tour. But even sending 3 fans 9 months out can work.

Ideally, if you send three fans of three seedlings nineteen months prior to the meeting, who knows, you may have four, five, or even six blooming fans of your prize seedlings, and may be the surprise star of the tour.

Good hybridizing and good luck,

Tom Walker
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Baton Rouge, LA 70895
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2006 Regional Seedlings

The Emma Middlebrooks bed for the 2006 Regional will be in the garden of Pat Soileau. We suggest fall planting. If you can, send plants to be delivered during the week.

Please have PLANTS delivered to:

*Pat Soileau
Bunkie High
435 Evergreen St.
Bunkie, LA 71322*

(This will ensure that it is not dropped off at neighbors' houses, etc.)

Send correspondence to:

Pat Soileau, P.O. Box 156, St. Landry, LA 71367.



*Hemerocallis
'In Search of
Angels'
(Stamile 01)*

Photo by Tom Walker.

2007 Regional Seedlings

Harry Roland, President of White County Daylily Club, would like to remind each Reg 13 AHS member to please consider sending up to three of their seedlings for the Emma Middlebrooks Memorial Award seedling bed for 2007. Sending it Fall 2005 would guarantee a much better and longer growing season for them if sent now - and he has the bed ready.

His mailing address is:

Harry Roland
152 Cardinal Road
Pangburn, AR 72121
email: daylilydot2@yahoo.com

Club Reports

The Ozark Hills Daylily Club

Article and photos by
Emily C. and William A. Robertson

The Ozark Hills Daylily Club is approximately two years old. It is headquartered out of Bella Vista, Arkansas which is in the northwest corner of the state. Club members live in Bella Vista, Bentonville, Rogers, Cave Springs, Springdale, Lowell, Siloam Springs and Pineville, Missouri. We affectionately refer to ourselves as the "Hill Lilies." We are an organization of about 40 members who meet once a month at the Bella Vista Community Church.

We are currently involved in an experimental project with the (Bella Vista) Village Wastewater Company. They have donated a plot of land and the use of their bio-solids. The bio-solid is 20 years old and has 1:1:1 ratio of bio-solids to soil to mulch.

Mr. Raymond Beans, of Rogers, Arkansas offered the club the opportunity to purchase many daylilies from his stock. The club purchased 29 different registered varieties and the members planted the daylilies at the B.V. Village Wastewater Co. treatment plant in the fall of 2004. We are so thankful for Raymond, his generosity, and for the opportunity he provided the new club members to bond together in this project.

Club members volunteer their time during the year to tend the "Hill Lily" garden. The daylilies are thriving in the bio-solids and are twice the size of others not planted in the bio-solids.

We are hoping to have a spring 2006 plant sale with the proceeds from the sale going to fund a Scholarship established at Northwest Arkansas Community College. The scholarship is to be given to a student in the field of Agriculture, Food and Life Science or the field of Computer Aided Landscape Design.

Even though we are a nascent group, we have had many enjoyable learning hours together. Some of the programs have been an informative demonstration of home irrigation systems; a program by award-winning area photographers, Bill Robertson and Ellen Benton, and a presentation on basics of daylily culture by Don Erling. We have also had reports of AHS Regional Meetings with slides; reports from John Holland, Director of Region 13; and a most interesting program on "Garden Etiquette" by Raymond Beans. We enjoy an annual potluck gathering with auctions of daylilies donated by members.

During the blooming season we have toured many gardens. Last season we toured the gardens of Don and Carol Erling, Bill and Emily Robertson, John and Sylvia Henthorn in Bella Vista; and John and Kaye Harris in Rogers.

This year our tours have included the Lendonwood Gardens in Grove, Oklahoma. Most recently we visited the new garden of Jim and Jane Mahan in Springdale, AR. The gardens themselves are only a year old; however, the Mahans are longtime growers of daylilies. Jane was a founding member of our club. Jim and Jane grow many of the 'classics' as well as more recent cultivars.

The Mahans travel to meet the hybridizers and see daylilies growing in the hybridizers' own areas in Missouri, Kentucky, Arizona, Louisiana, and the Central Florida "Mecca." They also attend yearly gatherings and events such as the CENLA Symposium, and the Canadian-American Daylily Symposium in Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada. Jane has shared these visits with our club with slide program presentations.

Mahan Garden



Erhling Garden



Henthorn Garden

Summer 2005

Club Reports

Baton Rouge Daylily Society

M. Walker, Baton Rouge, LA

Baton Rouge Daylily is very proud to have been host to the 2005 Regional Meeting and to have had so many wonderful daylily friends attend. Thank you to all who joined in the fun. Lots of hard work is soon forgotten when we hear from the visitors how much they enjoyed themselves and how beautiful the gardens and people were. We hope everyone will visit with us and the gardens again when you are in our area.

Our Summer meeting was well attended. We had over 50 people gather on a Sunday afternoon in August to talk, see and enjoy daylilies and daylily friends. Clarence and Beth Crochet shared slides of the Regional activities and the National Convention in Cincinnati, Ohio. As usual, our wish lists grew and new landscape plans took root. Everyone brought a potluck dessert and it was a hit with all the taste testing. Several items of future business and events were decided and more details will be available as the dates draw nearer.

Our Fall meeting on Sunday afternoon, Oct 16 will start at 1:30 in the Botanical Garden Building, Independence Park in Baton Rouge. It will feature a presentation by our Vice President Lucy Wells on preparing to host and entering a Daylily Display or Show. Lucy and husband Bob came to us several years ago from Region 10 of Tennessee. She was very active in her local club and its events including daylily shows. (They were invited by friends Richard and Lorretta Reames to our local tour and meeting.) Shows are an area of increasing interest to BRDS members and we hope to hold a Daylily Display for the public in Spring of 2006.

A Holiday Social is in the planning stages for December and we hope to have a "Cabin Fever" meeting in January 2006 with a guest hybridizer/speaker.

If you have interest in daylilies or gardening that includes daylilies, we invite you to contact us or come to a meeting. We always have room for another new friend. For more information, contact President Muriel

Walker through her e-mail: muriel@trwmcw.net or by phone 225.275.8881 or go to the club webpage: www.brdaylilysoc.org

Southeast Louisiana Daylily Society

Greater New Orleans area, Louisiana
Tim Coffey, President; LA/Kentucky

Some good news first. We wish to congratulate SELDS member Jimmy Terrio of LaPlace on having his garden appointed as an AHS Display Garden - a first for LaPlace and second AHS Display garden for SELDS.

Even before Hurricane Katrina, our members were crushed at the loss of Past club president Ed Wolf of New Orleans. We wish to express our sadness to his wife and family. The void he leaves cannot be soon filled.

At this writing, Katrina attacked New Orleans just 6 days ago. The fate of many members is still uncertain; some are safe, many relocated. If sun comes after the rain, then we will hope for a time when our club can again grow. Our thanks to everyone for their concern and help.

Our Fall meeting scheduled for late September may be rescheduled if possible. Please check *The ARKLA Daylily* for future news or contact our Vice President and Program Chairman, Ginger Goudeau at 225.262.8418.

Delta Daylily Society

Lafayette, LA

Linda Carson, President, presided over our September 10th meeting held at the Best Western/Acadiana Hotel in Lafayette. Our thoughts are with all in the wake of Hurricane Katrina. Ken Begnaud gave a nice slide show of his hybridizing program and seedlings.

Our next meeting date is December 11 with location to be decided.

For more meeting information, please contact Linda Carson, President, at 337-344-8001.

Hemerocallis Study Club

David Waters, Shreveport/Ark-La-Tex

As we come to the close of another great bloom season, we reflect on the fun and excitement experienced along the way. We recall those early morning visits to catch a glimpse of the first blossom on those new acquisitions from our great hybridizers. Then there is that mad dash to the seedling patch to search for the next "Stout" winner!

The morning of May 28th, Hemerocallis Study Club members gathered at the garden of Dean and Betty Williams in Waskom, Texas. Here in this immaculately groomed garden, we were treated to an array of the newer cultivars grown to perfection - a true joy to behold.

Second stop of the day was the Roseville Bed and Breakfast garden of Melvin and Virginia McConnell in Marshall, Texas. The lush landscaped beds here featured an assortment of various plants including larkspur, nasturtium, shasta daisy and daylilies. Club members were then treated to a delightfully delicious lunch in the Roseville Dining Room. It was a most memorable day for those attending.

The Hemerocallis Study Club meets monthly at the Barnwell Art and Garden Center in Shreveport. Meetings are held at 2 P.M. on the 3rd Sunday of each month unless pre-empted by some other daylily event (National or Regional conventions). You're invited. We love guests and will be looking for you in the gardens!

It is a shame that most clubs say they are looking for new members, yet they fail to share club news.

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Club Reports

White County Daylily Society

Dorothy Roland, Secretary, Searcy, AR

The White County Daylily Society was host to the Arkansas State Club tour on June 11th. This year's tour featured four gardens located in White County. Three of the gardens were not on the 2002 State tour. The fourth garden was featured on the 2002 tour and is now an AHS Display Garden. This meeting included Hospitality Night at Harding University, continental breakfast, tour of four gardens and a luncheon. This was a driving tour and buses were not provided. Garden maps were included with confirmation letter.

The tour began with registration and a continental breakfast at the home of Bill and Wanda Harris in Ward, AR. After touring their garden, the tour proceeded to the garden of Loyd & LaVera Johnson and Dorlene Farwell in Bradford and then on to Pangburn to view the AHS Display Garden of Harry and Dorothy Roland.

Lunch was held at Harding University, which is located in Searcy. A short Board

of Director's meeting was held at Harding University prior to lunch. We enjoyed renewing old friendships and making new ones at our tour.

We are always happy to have visitors so if you are in the area, we meet on the second Wednesday of each month at 10 AM in Searcy, Arkansas, at the Farm Bureau building in Searcy. Stop and see us. Everyone is welcome. Contact: Harry Roland, President, (501) 728-3557 E-mail: daylilydot2@yahoo.com.

North Central Louisiana Daylily Society

Linda Johnson, Reporter

We welcome visitors, new members and other daylily lovers to join us. Most meetings are held on the first Sunday of each month. For more information, please contact one of our officers: Sharon St. Andre (318) 263-2566, Linda Johnson (318) 777-3970 or Jo Johnson (318) 255-2790.

Arkansas State Daylily Club

Jim Elliott, President; Conway, Arkansas

The Fall Auction of the Arkansas State Club was held Sept. 17, 2005 in Little Rock, Arkansas, at St. Vincent Hospital. We enjoyed Mark Carpenter doing a slide show and talking about the new colors and patterns in future daylilies. Auction plants were from Jack Carpenter, Mark's uncle.

Hot Springs Daylily Society

Gene Litchlter, Hot Springs, AR

We have been working hard to increase our membership and have picked up several new members as a result. This is your invitation from me, Gene Litchlter, President
501-922-6694

Northwest Arkansas Daylily Society

Fayetteville/Springdale/Rogers

This was a great year for touring, as several members attended the Regional Meetings in Baton Rouge and Dallas, the State Tour in Searcy, and the National Convention just concluded in Cincinnati.

Cenla Daylily Society

Pat Soileau, Alexandria, LA

Register now for the Fall Symposium in November.

The Emma Middlebrooks bed for the 2006 Regional will be in the following garden for fall planting: Pat Soileau, P.O. Box 156 St. Landry, LA 71367. If you can, send plants to be delivered during the week and have it delivered to: Pat Soileau, Bunkie High, 435 Evergreen St., Bunkie 71322.

This will ensure that it is not dropped off at neighbors' houses, etc. Plans are under way for us to host the 2006 Regional on May 18-20, 2006, headquartered at the Best Western. We look forward to hosting your visit to Central Louisiana.

We meet on the first Saturday of every month except July, in the Meeting Hall of the Homewood Baptist Church, Tennessee Ave. at Hynson St., in Alexandria, Louisiana.

Enjoy the CENLA Daylily Society Fall Symposium

November 11 - 12
Register Now!
See the inside front
cover of this issue for
details.

4 Featured Speakers
Live Plant Auction
Plant Table Sale

Visit the CENLA website:
<http://www.angelfire.com/ar2/cenladaylily/index.html>

2006 Regional Meeting:

May 18 - 20, 2006:
Cenla Daylily Society,
Greater Alexandria
area, Louisiana

A Gardener's Notebook

NOTES FROM THE SCIENTIFIC FORUM AT THE 2005 NATIONAL CONVENTION

Clarence Crochet shares the following ideas expressed by Dan Trimmer during Dan's presentation at the Scientific Forum during the AHS Convention in Cincinnati this summer.

1. When potting daylilies, never put Milorganite in your potting soil. It is organic and when it breaks down, it produces a heat, which will raise the temperature of the potting soil and adversely affect the roots of daylilies. Milorganite is recommended as a pot surface fertilizer only.
2. On the other hand, chemical fertilizers are the answer to fertilizing pots. It can be used in the soil mixture.
3. When Dan plants his seed crop, the resulting seedlings always need regular fertilizing, especially with nitrogen. The rapid growth of the seedlings can be dramatic with regular feedings of nitrogen fertilizer.
4. Bap 10 is new and is a very good material to produce proliferations. Dan has had tremendous success with it, getting dozens of good proliferations both inside the greenhouse and outside in the open beds. The resulting plants usually bloom in one year in his garden in Florida.
5. It is not a good idea to spray fungicides during periods of very hot weather because doing so will likely cause leaf burn.

Planting Seeds

Compiled by Muriel Walker, Louisiana

From a friend in Lake Charles: Having trouble getting those seeds evenly sown in your garden rows? Put 2 or 3 seeds into a plastic ice cube tray, fill it about halfway full of water and then freeze them. Next get the rows ready in the garden, get the "ice cube seeds" out of the freezer and drop in the row; one cube using normal spacing for your plants. Cover with soil, and the seeds already have a small source of water. You'll be surprised how neat and evenly spaced your plants will be.

Thanks to a gentleman in Florida, we found a much easier way to plant seeds in long rows. It saves all the bending. Start with a 1-inch PVC pipe, at least 5 feet long (depending on your height). Draw circles around the pipe with a permanent black marker at half-inch, 1-inch, 1 and one half-inch, and 2-inch intervals above one end. After you have your rows ready to plant, walk alongside it with your pole in hand, punching holes in the ground to the appropriate depth. Drop in the seed (if soil is loose perhaps down through the pole) and use the end of the pole to push dirt back over it. This is easy on your back and much quicker!

FUNGICIDE TIPS

Clarence Crochet, Louisiana

When spraying with fungicides, it is necessary to spray just to cover the leaf surface and not to the point of drip. Spraying too much on a plant will cause an accumulation on the leaf ends, which could cause leaf tip burn, especially if spraying on a sunny day. We don't spray if the daylily leaves have dew on them. We wait until the entire plant is dry because we believe that the dew dilutes chemicals, limiting their effectiveness.

PROLIFERATIONS

Clarence Crochet, Louisiana

What is the best way to handle proliferations? If they have even a sign of roots around the crown, we remove the tiny plants by cutting off the scape with a sharp knife. Leaving these on the scape any longer sometimes means that if we forget the location of the proliferation, we stand a chance of losing it. When the scape turns brown and begins to dry up, that is the time any proliferations should be removed.

We remove the proliferations from the scape even when they have no roots if the scape is drying up. The trick is to put them in small clear plastic glasses and keep the water level up to the crown of the little plant. We have found that this is the surest way to save them. We keep the glasses mostly in the shade and as cool as possible until the proliferations make rather long white roots.

These are then planted in a wooden flat in a good potting mix. The flat is placed in a wheelbarrow and kept in morning sun and moved to shade in the hot afternoon for a few weeks until most of the small proliferations show signs of growing well.

These remain in the flat until fall "lining out" period and then are planted in a prepared bed along with their white labels. Many are blooming size by the next spring.

Our prolifs now have babies!

See my attached photo of *H.* 'Doug Mayfield'. How often does this occur? Sherry Herringshaw, Baton Rouge



Nice job, Sherry and Ed. I understand that it can happen but is still a great surprise and good garden practices and water help! Enjoy!

Region 13 - New Display Garden

July 2005

New AHS Display Garden

We are delighted to welcome a new AHS Display Garden to our region.

- Terrio Daylily Garden in LaPlace, LA; owned by Jimmy and Linda Terrio Congratulations!

Terrio Daylily Garden

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Several American Hemerocallis Society Display gardens were regional tour gardens. Enjoy images of these and the other fine tour gardens in this issue.



Terrio Seedlings

Photos by C. Crochet.



H.
'Gentlemen
Prefer
Blondes'
(Carr '03)



H.
'Flamenco
Christmas'
(Stamile
'02)



H. 'Don't Look Back'
(Kirchhoff '98)

Paid Ad

Daylily Coffee Mug from Regional 2005 Meeting.

These mugs were so good looking, we ordered a few extra ... so now you too can enjoy your morning coffee in the garden with this original! In classic gloss black on white, our heavy 11 oz. ceramic mug keeps beverages nice and hot with a cool handle for you. Mr. Clarence Crochet designed the logo and it graces both sides of the mug. Dishwasher and microwave safe. (Top shelf suggested.) As the gift at the 2005 Regional, attendees raved about this great mug. Treat yourself or order several as gifts. Production was limited.

You get to supply the coffee!
Each mug is \$3.00 plus \$3.00 postage for up to 2 mugs. Questions: 225.275.8881

Enclose quantity desired and delivery address with your check made payable to:
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