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Director's Report...

John Holland - Rogers, Arkansas Summer 2009



As I write this report, the vast difference between growing daylilies in north Arkansas and all of Louisiana comes to mind. We are barely past peak by July 4, yet we know re-bloom is hopefully evident with suitable cultivars in Louisiana. This second or third re-bloom is unfortunately rare in our part of the state. The pioneer work by a few northern hybridizers for re-bloom gives us some hope; however, we must currently be satisfied with about a month of significant bloom. On the other hand, our situation with rust allows us to be rust free if we bring in no contaminated cultivars.

We all share many of the same battles with soil, pests, weather, and shade. A severe ice storm this winter has created windows of sunlight, which our daylilies love. A relatively new pest, the phlox plant bug, has threatened our early buds unless sprayed in a timely manner. All these calamities may suggest to a newcomer that we should be looking for a more trouble-free plant. Actually, nothing could be further from the majority of our minds. We are firmly committed to successfully grow our favorite flower despite all those minor inconveniences. This is what ties us all together.

Our Membership Committee continues to look for geographical areas with A.H.S. members but no daylily club. Three such areas in Region 13 have new clubs and offer a percentage increase in membership unequaled by any other region. They are located in Hammond, Louisiana, Jonesboro, Arkansas, and Berryville, Arkansas. Congratulations to all these new members!

Congratulations also go out to our award winners at Orlando National. Kenny Begnaud won an Honorable Mention Award with *Hemerocallis* 'Frosted Vintage Ruffles', and Clarence Crochet won the coveted Lenington All American Award for the best performer over a wide geographic area with *H*. 'King Kahuna'. Clarence was fortunate to have most of his immediate family present to see him receive this award in Orlando.

The standards have been consistently raised at each new National convention, and we eagerly await the opportunity Baton Rouge will have in hosting our 2011 National. Many of you already know some of the events we can expect, but the rest of us will just have to wait in anticipation. Please make plans now to be there -- May 26-28, 2011. It will never be closer.

Best wishes,

John Holland Region 13 Director

Regional President's Letter.....

Joe Goudeau - Central, Louisiana



Greetings Region 13 Members,

Thank you, Cenla Daylily Society, for hosting this year's Region 13 Meeting. The gardens were fabulous, the accommodations inviting, and the program as a whole was well received. Well Done Cenla!!! Please plan early to attend the 2010 Regional in Hot Springs, Arkansas. This group is working hard to put on a show you won't soon forget.

There has been a lot going on in the region during the past month. I encourage you to get out and check out the flowers. There are a number of

AHS Display Gardens in full bloom and ready for visitors. They are listed in the regional newsletter, as well as the regional and national web sites.

We have just added two new AHS Display gardens in our Region. Daylily Du Jour, the garden of Gail Rasberry, is the first AHS Display Garden in Northeast Arkansas. The Baton Rouge Botanical Garden has one of the largest collections of registered daylilies in a public garden setting. It is cared for and maintained by Claire Fontenot. I encourage you all to visit at least one Display Garden per season. These garden owners work hard in order to provide us a pleasant viewing experience. Reward them with your support.

I would like to congratulate Ken Begnaud and Carey Roberts for winning this year's Emma Middlebrooks Award. This award is voted on each year by the attendees of the Regional Meeting. These gentlemen's seedlings tied for first place. This is the first time I can ever remember a tie for this award.

Congratulations go out to Melba LaCroix and Josh Jaques for winning the Tot Ratliff Award. This is an award sponsored by the Cenla Daylily Society and given for the best clump grown in a regional tour garden and voted for by the attendees of the region 13 meeting.

The Baton Rouge Daylily Society sponsored an open tour with ten member gardens allowing the public to get a peek at today's hybridized daylilies.

The Southeast Louisiana Daylily Society sponsored a two-day bus tour to gardens in Louisiana and Mississippi.

The Ark-La-Tex Daylily Study Club sponsored a Flower Show in June. They had over one hundred twenty-five attendees!

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The Northwest Arkansas Daylily Society hosted a Daylily Exhibition and had 168 entries. So you see, there is plenty to do in Region 13!

A number of the clubs in the Region are growing by leaps and bounds. It all comes down to being active. Flower shows, bus tours, open tours, and speakers are helpful, but entertaining meetings are the key. There are a number of speakers in and around our region who will speak for a nominal fee. Some will even do it free if you provide lodging and food. The better the food at the meeting the better attendance. We love our food, flowers and fun.

Looking for a way to spend some of those dollars in your club's treasury? I am offering a Goudeau Daylily Collection to any club, of twenty-five members or more, that enters 100% of their members in AHS. Delta Daylily Society registered all of their members and will receive their plants this fall. What a nice way to give back to your membership.

I encourage you to vote in this year's AHS Region 13 Popularity Poll. The AHS determined that they wanted a preprinted ballot in hopes of promoting more participation by members. The ballot is simple; included are the cultivars voted on in region 13 that received four or more votes in 2008.

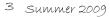
Also provided are spaces in which you can "write in" cultivars that did not make the list but you feel should receive recognition. Please do not feel that a write in vote is a waste. The ballot will change from year to year depending on the number of votes received by an individual cultivar.

As I have done for the past two years, a Goudeau introduction will be awarded to one lucky participant from Louisiana and one from Arkansas. It only takes one vote to become eligible so please let everyone know what flowers you think deserve recognition. Our region has had one of the highest percentages of participation over the past two years, so please vote!

I have a request. If you have an e-mail address, please e-mail me. My e-mail address is daylilys@cox.net I only have addresses for about 25% of the region 13 members. I would love to send out reminders, updates and interesting tidbits. It would be so much easier to update you on valuable information between issues of the newsletter if I had a valid address.

Thank you for being a member, and I hope to see you on the garden trail.

Joe Goudeau



Northwest Arkansas Daylily Society Notes By Bob Stassen, RPD, Arkansas

July 14, 2009

"Daylilies in Paradise"

John Holland: National Convention in Orlando

Time: 6:30PM, Room reserved 6:00-8:00 Oklahoma City Room, Jones Center, 922 East Emma, Springdale

John Holland will share his color slides from the National Convention in Orlando, Florida. Your Daylily Journal will provide an overview of the gardens visited and John's always excellent color slides will provide details, colors, and resolution found nowhere else.

For the last few weeks, every weekend has been a great daylily weekend in Arkansas, and Region 13. There was an excellent meeting in Alexandria, Louisiana, featuring an excellent presentation with Dan Trimmer; a great State Tour in Conway, and a presentation by Herbie Phelps, the Tulsa Area Daylily Society held their first AHS Exhibition; NWADS followed with another excellent exhibition at the Northwest Arkansas Mall, and capped with our annual club tour.

It's probably not too early to begin thinking about 2010, and modifications that we should consider for next year's meeting. The Hot Springs Daylily Club will host our Regional Meeting, June 11-12, and if we choose to do our exhibition in 2010, the available Saturday dates will be June 19 or June 27. There is also a proposal to consider moving to a location at the Pinnacle Hills Promenade.

Upcoming Dates

2009/2010 July 14	Speaker, Event Title Color Slides from National Convention in the Orlando (JCF)	Contact John Holland
September 8	Hybridizer Presentation (JCF)	Linda Winberry, Hot Springs
September 19	Arkansas State Daylily Auction	Conway Location TBD
October 13	Slides from Region 13 Meeting, Alexandria, LA (JCF)	Bob Stassen
November	Holiday Gathering	TBD
May 26-29, 2010	National Convention, Valdosta, Georgia Valdosta Hemerocallis Society	
June 11-12, 2010	Region 13 Convention, Hot Springs, AR	Floyd Worley

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"Coolplanter" loses cool over the "phlox plant bug"

Who would have anticipated insect problems during such a cool and rainy spring? Well, I experienced the misery of the phlox plant bug this year and since there's some room for it in this newsletter, I'd like to share my observations. I first noticed the nymphs of the bug—a true hemiptera "bug," in late May, just before our Regional Meeting. Instead of enjoying the daylilies in Alexandria, that was when I should have been taking action on my garden.

When the bud distortion became noticeable in early June—it was too late to take action to prevent damage for our upcoming Exhibition. I did spread a 2% Dysyston (Disulfoton) granules throughout my daylilies and watered it in, but the damage was done. It's difficult to know what flared these insects, but they got the jump on the predatory insects, such as flying lightning bugs (beetles) and predatory wasps, because when they appeared on the scene—the phlox plant bugs days were numbered, or developed their wings, and disappeared within days.

Club members commented that Acephate, the active ingredient in Orthene insecticides was effective, but they were unable to locate it garden centers. I could not find this product either. It may be that the dangers to a large retail chain of stocking an effective insecticide concentrate may have passed. I was able to find Dysyston at Chicken Holler in Farmington, as it is recommended by some states' Extension Services. This product might be effective, but it must be used as a preventative, to make the daylilies "distasteful" for sucking insects before you see them. When I applied the granules, it surely took days for sufficient active ingredient to accumulate in the scapes—and I'm still unsure if it had any effectiveness since the predatory insects arrived about the same time. The possible downside of a soil applied insecticide is the damage to beneficial soil fauna, such as earthworms, but, it has no effect on the appearance of predatory insects.

Last, as I did my early weeding in my main bed this April, I removed rocks, nested vinyl pots, and wood 2x10's I had set in for erosion control for young plants. As I was doing this, I apparently was also removing ant colony (and black widow spider) "habitat." I've always noticed ants moving around on my scapes in prior years, but not this spring. The wet weather, combined with removal of the ant habitat may have gotten rid of the ants, but left the emerging buds solely to the orange nymphs of the phlox plant bug. Daylily clumps next to the lawn, which remains good ant habitat, had far less damage from the bugs. Ants, I've noticed, tolerate no other insects "as company" when they're patrolling the emerging buds, and next year I'm going to have to find a way to keep them around.

Phlox Plant Bug (loridea davisi)



Exhibition Report, Northwest Arkansas Daylily Society, Northwest Arkansas Mall, June 20, 2009

The Northwest Arkansas Daylily Society held their 5th Annual Daylily Exhibition with 168 scapes exhibited by 12 club members. The "Best of Show" was won by "Mal," an extra large daylily with two identical flowers open exhibited by Jean Toenges of Fayetteville. The winner of the very competitive Sweepstakes award for most blues was John Holland of Rogers, with 19, who edged Carol Sargent of Springdale and Jean Toenges.

Section Winners

Exhibitor	Section	Cultivar	Hybridizer
Jean Toenges	Extra Large	Mal	Stamile, 1998
Carol Sargent	Large	Hello Screamer	Hansen-D., 2003
Robert Race	Small	Strawberry Candy	Stamile, 1989
Libby Beecher	Miniature	Tinker Bell	Stevens-J.C., 1954
John Holland	Double	Neva Marie	Neely, 2004
Nina Coffee	Spider	Nona's Garnet Spider	Ford-N., 1992
Bob Stassen	Unusual Form	Volcano Tankesley-Clarke	Tankesley-Clarke, 1998
Mary Snyder	Seedling		Mary Snyder

Blue Ribbon Awards

John Holland, Rogers	19
Carol Sargent, Springdale	
Jean Toenges, Fayetteville	
Robert Race, Siloam Springs	
Joseph Graue, Lowell	8
Linda Buchanan, Clifty	7
Libby Beecher, Rogers	
Bob Stassen, Fayetteville	
Nina Coffee, Fayetteville	3
Mary Snyder, Viney Grove	
Truman Stamps, Springdale	

Additional Purple Winners (95+ points)

Carol Sargent	Kisses Like Wine	Trimmer, 1999
•	Pink Champagne on Ice	Scott-E., 2002
	Wild Horses	Trimmer, 1999
Jean Toenges	Shelby's Song	Sellers, 1999
_	Little Grapette	Williamson, 1970
Joseph Graue	Rose Festival	Rudolph, 1978
Libby Beecher	Elizabeth Salter	Salter, 1990
•	Gayle Cannon	Cannon, 1998
Robert Race	Raspberry Candy	Stamile, 1992

Single/Double flowered daylily photograph:

1st place: John Holland 2nd place: Dolores Stamps Clump or 3 or more daylily photography winner: 1st place: John Holland

2nd place: Linda Buchanan

Popularity Poll photography winner: Linda Buchanan

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Ark-La-Tex Daylily Study Club...

2009 Meetings

Meetings will be held on Sunday at The Barnwell Center Shreveport, Louisiana at 2:00 P.M. unless otherwise noted

We have a wonderful lineup of speakers and welcome all daylily enthusiasts to join us for food, fun and flowers.

July 19th "Club Social" TBA

August 16th "Terrio's Daylily Garden"

Jimmy Terrio, LaPlace, LA

September 20th "Tropical and Cold Daylilies"

David Kirchhoff, Daylily World, Lawrenceburg, Ky

October 18th "Plant Sale"

Vivian Kennedy, Chairperson

November 15th "Bigger is Better"

Ginger Goudeau, Daylilies Etc., Baker, LA

December 20th "Christmas Dinner and Party"

Bring a dish and small gift 1:00 start time

North Shore Daylily Society

The North Shore Daylily Society was officially formed June 7, 2009. This club was formed to promote daylilies in the Florida Parishes. The club is already twenty-five members strong and is steadily growing.

Officers are:

Ronnie Rossie, President
Henry Bradford, Vice President
Cathryn Rossie, Secretary
Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary, John Guzzardo
Executive Board Chairperson, Joe Lobue
Executive Board Member, Russel Madere

Expectations are high and the membership motivated. The next meeting will be October 4, 2009, at 3:00. It will be held at the Hammond Research Station, 21549 Old Covington Highway, Hammond, Louisiana. Guest speaker Dr. Yan Chen is an expert on rust.

The Ark-La-Tex Hemerocallis Study Club

Hosted a Regional Daylily Show at the Barnwell Arts and Garden Center, Shreveport, Louisiana on June 6, 2009.

The Theme of the show was "A Rainbow of Daylilies". Gerald Lutterman served as show chairman and Tom Talley served as Co-chairman. Vivian Kennedy was chairman of plant sales.

One hundred and twenty-five members and guests attended the show. There were one hundred and eighty-one entries in the show. *Hemerocallis* 'Christine Tuminello LeGrand' exhibited by John LeGrand won Best of Show. Nicholas Walker, Jr. won the Sweepstake award for the most blue ribbons in Division 1, Section 1-10.

American Hemerocallis Society awards were:

Small Flower H. 'Blue Oasis' exhibited by Melvin Dean Williams
Large Flower H. 'Christine Tuminello LeGrand' exhibited by John LeGrand
Spider H. 'Rainbow Spangles' exhibited by Nicholas Walker, Jr.
Unusual Form H. 'Gothic Butterfly' exhibited by Lawrence Davis
Youth Division H. 'Timeless Fire' exhibited by Anne Gardner
Popularity Poll H. 'King Kahuna' exhibited by Dennis Coppersmith
Off-scape and Seedling Awards exhibited by Melvin Dean Williams.

Club Awards were:

Best Yellow *H.* 'Chinese Splendor' exhibited by Nicholas Walker, Jr. Best Red *H.* 'Siloam Cherry Chime' exhibited by Nicholas Walker, Jr.

The Award of Appreciation was given to Nicholas Walker, Jr. for his Science Fair Winner Exhibition "Don't Stigmatize Me"

Judges for the show were Pat Soileau, Claudia Ford, Nettie Harper, Ken Begnaud, Alice Pillaro and Sara Townsend.

Future Regional Meeting Sites 2010 Hot Springs Daylily Club, Hot Springs, Arkansas

The Emma Middlebrooks Bed

Dr. Floyd Worley
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2011 Baton Rouge Daylily Society, Baton Rouge, Louisiana AHS National Convention

The Emma Middlebrooks Bed **Joe Goudeau**

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Youngsville, Louisiana

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New Iberia, Louisiana

Diane Kinnaird

Fayettville, Arkansas

Shelia LeBlanc

Duson, Louisiana

Lee Marquette

Jeanerette, Louisiana

Lydia and Leah Massa

Breaux Bridge, Louisiana

Anna Molbert

Duson, Louisiana

Lu Smith

Lafayette, Louisiana

Courtney St John

Mandeville, Louisiana

Jerry and Audrey Wallace

New Iberia, Louisiana

Thanks For Your Support

I would like to thank the following and ENCOURAGE you to support those who support your region when you are making your purchases. Individuals, Club(s), and Commercial Nurseries who donated plants for the 2009 Regional meeting in Alexandria, Louisiana are:

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Jimmy Terrio

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Cenla Daylily Society

Pat Soileau

Sandi Acres, St. Landry, Louisiana

Tommy Maddox

Biloxi, Mississippi

Nan Wilkerson

Bee Bayou Daylilies, Rayville, Louisiana

The 2009 Region 13 Meeting

Each year you read about the Regional Meeting and you wonder, "Why would I attend a Regional Meeting?" I decided this year I would give a brief summary of the entire event in hopes of sparking interest for future meetings.

This year's meeting was hosted by the Cenla Daylily Society and was held in and around Alexandria, Louisiana.

Upon arriving Thursday evening I found a large group of excited attendees enjoying a wonderful reception complete with appetizers, fruit, bread, finger foods and punch. The reception was held in the beautiful atrium of the Best Western Hotel.

There was a wonderful goodie bag complete with all types of area and gardening information, pen and paper, garden items, and my favorite, a green deep-pocket garden apron. This apron is the most valuable asset in my garden; it holds everything except my garden fork.

After the reception different groups continued their fellowship at some of the many local restaurants well into the night. The fellowship is the best part of any event and everyone enjoyed rekindling friendships.

Friday morning rolled around quickly when the attendees boarded the busses for the short drive to the First United Methodist Church, which happens to serve as the site for the annual Fall Symposium hosted by the Cenla Daylily Society. They were treated to a homemade breakfast that would make Cracker Barrel and I-HOP take notice. Served were eggs, bacon, biscuits, orange juice, coffee and tea.

After ample time to enjoy our breakfast we were off to the gardens.

The first garden we visited was "Bayou Bend Daylilies", 59 Bayou Clear Road, Woodworth. It is owned and operated by Josh Jaques, his lovely wife Nikki, and their twin sons Denton and Hudson.

As we drove past the many wholesale nurseries I recalled the many trips I made over the years to purchase plant material both professionally and personally. After about a twenty-minute drive longing to stop and shop we arrived at Joel's Nursery, a wholesale nursery that Josh operates with his parents Joel and Susan. We were greeted by almost four acres of azaleas, camellias, hollies, loropetalum, spirea and even the new yellow Knock Out Rose. Josh has also had quite an impressive assortment of daylilies in the sales area.

This was only a prelude to the experience to come. As we strolled up the hill past the stand of thirty-year-old camellias I stood in awe at the sight of the early morning sunlight filtering through the mature stand of pines. The songbirds greeted us with their early morning chorus as the day's first daylily blooms tantalized our senses. The garden appeared to be at peak bloom. Even though the morning was cool, all the flowers were open and awaiting all the visitors who hurried to take their pictures.

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Josh has an impressive collection of at least six to seven hundred cultivars all grown in well-established clumps. In the center of the beds Josh has included roses, bottlebrush and Mona Lavender, a dark green-leafed perennial with purple salvia looking flowers. Josh had spread new pine straw in the ample bed paths to ease walking.

My favorite part of the garden was the seedling beds where a wide variety of future introductions com-

peted for our praise. My favorite, an eight-inch monster was just begging to come home with me. After only a few short years Josh has put together a future AHS Display Garden and a very promising hybridizing program. He had already started the groundwork for about 5000 more feet of seedling beds. I look forward to continued visits as I purchase plant material from Josh and his lovely family.



As we boarded the bus everyone was busily discussing which flowers caught their eye and which clump they liked best. The ones that caught my eye were *Hemero-callis* 'Scarecrow' an unusual form by P. Stamile, *H.* 'Summertime Blues', a beautiful little blue-eyed thing by E. Salter, and *H.* 'Madeline Nettle's Eyes', a brilliant orange with a dark contrasting eye zone by J. Kinnebrew.



(Scarecrow)



(Summertime Blues)

The next garden on tour was that of Ellis Powell's "**The Garden**", located at 403 Sweetbriar, Alexandria. The garden is located in an established subdivision only minutes away from the convention hotel. This AHS Display Garden holds much appeal. As we drove up we noticed daylilies being grown in a border in one of the corner lots. We tried to get the bus to stop only to discover these beauties were evidently given by Ellis to some of the neighbors. Many of the neighboring

vards showed evidence of Ellis's influence and love of flowers.



We arrived at Ellis's and were greeted by a front garden shaded by two large trees.

The front borders of the beds are filled to overflowing with specimen agapanthus. The spectacular show of hundreds of agapanthus paled in comparison to the hydrangeas that line the front and side of this beautiful home. I have never seen such a display.

There must have been thirty mature plants sporting basketball size flower heads in colors of pink, white and blue. One would have to be very observant to notice the dark purple leaves of the pansy red bud tree located on the far left side of the front garden.

As you walk down the drive way the real treat begins. On either side are matching landscape blocks bordering the expanse of beds that contain both hosta and daylilies. The next-door neighbor has used the same blocks to





border his beds, which makes it difficult to tell where Ellis's garden ends and the neighbor's begins.

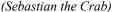
At the rear of the drive you are greeted by a beautiful piece of artwork surrounded by roses. This artwork and bed are to honor Ellis's wife of 50 years Wrennetta. After paying your respects you walk through the carport and are greeted by more beautiful hydrangeas and, of course, daylilies--at

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least 750 varieties. There is not one blade of grass in the rear garden. Raised beds were created by landscape timbers cut in staggered lengths and then placed vertically to hold back the overflowing daylily beds from the winding garden paths. The first daylily to grab my attention is H. 'Sebastian the Crab', a sherbet colored unusual form that doubles by J. Joiner. Others that really stood out were H. 'Handsome Ross Carter' a brilliant orange self with a dark green throat by Spalding and H. 'Jay Farqua', a huge dark purple flower with a nice white edge by J. Carpenter.







(Handsome Ross Carter)

In the section to the right all of the footpaths have been placed with care and surrounded by crushed limestone. Here we find the Emma Middlebrooks Bed. There were at least twenty entries in bloom and many took several trips around the bed in order to select their favorite seedling.

The garden contains many fountains, whimsical artwork and different items that make the garden worth a visit even during the off-season. The bus captains had a difficult time getting everyone back on the bus for the trip back to the First United Methodist Church for lunch.

Lunch was homemade with a crawfish casserole, coleslaw, and bread. My favorite was the peach cobbler complete with vanilla ice cream. Mmmm, mmmmm.

After such a feast many of us could have taken a nap but there were more gardens to visit. We loaded the buses for the trip to the garden of "Melba LaCroix", 221 Poisso Road, Pineville, to be greeted by a very inviting swimming pool complete with lounge chairs and gazebo and terra cotta pots overflowing with beautiful accent plants.

As we walked up the drive, the concrete scalloped bed edging helped define the daylily bed that runs the entire length of the driveway. Crape myrtles are planted in these beds to provide the flowers some relief from our brutal south Louisiana sun. On the chain link fence are hand-painted concrete plaques of different flowers to add height and color to the garden.





Under the weeping mulberry trees were the NASCAR beds complete with seedlings given garden names to honor their favorite racecar drivers. There are daylilies everywhere. You forget that there are almost one hundred attendees as they spread out in this large garden.

There are many companion plants and trees including palm trees, crabapple, canna lilies, hydrangeas, sweet potato vines, begonias, and roses. I bet the bearded irises are to die for in the early spring.

The daylilies are well grown and I counted at least two clumps that had fifty plus fans in them. I counted thirty open blooms on *H.* 'Bahama Butterscotch', E. Salter. *H.* 'Peacock Maiden', K. Carpenter, and *H.* 'Hot Cakes', M. Kaskel were putting on quite a show.

(Peacock Maiden)



(Evelyn Gates)



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The area that impressed me the most was to the left of the garden and up a hill. It had one of the largest collections of Lee Gates introductions I have seen in quite a while. There I found the largest clump of *H*. **'Evelyn Gates'**, L. Gates I have ever seen.

Melba was even gracious enough to loan John Holland a shovel to dig up a clump of Pickerel Rush with its beautiful purple bloom. I think she just wanted to see him wade out in his leather loafers.

Finally getting the excited John Holland and his new treasure loaded on the bus, we headed to "Everyday Acres", 68 Camp Livingston Road, Ball, the garden of Clyde and Carroll Anne Grammon. WOW! Talk about a spread! We were greeted by an expanse of lawn large enough for a par three. All that is missing are a couple of sand traps and the flag to mark the hole. As you walk up the hill you see 100-foot tall long leaf pine trees with daylily beds strategically placed to enjoy enough sun for proper performance.



The daylilies were great--well grown and cared for--but the trees must consist of seventy varieties, some of which I had never seen. Everyone gravitated toward the Royal Paulownia tree in the center of the front garden and I thought wow! It stood approximately thirty feet tall and had large clover shaped leaves that had to measure at least sixteen inches across.

The experience has just begun as you walk through the breezeway, picking up a scrumptious chocolate chip cookie on your way. You are greeted by species after species of trees, shrubs, vines etc. Once you step in to their piece of Eden you are greeted by Dogwoods (white and pink), Tung Oil, Catalpa, Japanese Magnolias, Crape Myrtles, Pecan, Apple, Persimmon, Plum, Pear, Ginkgo Biloba, Mimosa, Golden Rain, Mayhaw and many many others.

The Grammon's have a beautiful koi pond with some huge koi that had to measure 20-24 inches in length. The largest, a yellow koi named Midas, has been in the family for over twenty years and has been known to suck on your fingers or toes if presented.

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There were some beautiful climbing vines, clematis, honeysuckle, wisteria, pomegranate and jasmine. There were a number of varieties of azaleas, althea, bottle-brush and hollies.

Oops, sorry, I slipped back into the landscape and the many species of plants. The daylilies that caught my eye were; *H.* 'Suburban Louise McClellan', E. Watts, *H.* 'Wish Fulfillment', P. Stamile and *H.* 'Spacecoast Southern Belle', J. Kinnebrew.



(Suburban Louise McClellan)



(Wish Fullfilment)

The hybridizing bug has bitten and if you want to see Clyde's eyes sparkle just ask about a species of tree or his latest seedlings. When not working with the church or with hospice, he is out planting trees and creating beautiful seedlings.

Between Carroll's cookies and Clyde's love for different species of flora and fauna, I think I have found a new home. Of course I think Clyde would probably work me to death.

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We returned to the church and the hotel for the clinics and to prepare for the evening's festivities. Some participated in garden and exhibition judges workshops. Others returned to nurseries and shops they had seen during the day and brought back treasures for their own gardens. Still others relaxed by visiting the boutique, purchasing tickets for the Cajun Auction plants and items, purchasing table sale plants or better yet coveting the beautiful art work Carmel Foret had for display and for sale.

The evening banquet was buffet style, my favorite. Portions were ample and

no one was looking for seconds. We enjoyed Dan Trimmer's power point presentation. As always, Dan was very entertaining and forthcoming with helpful information for both the gardener and the hybridizer. His wife Jane, recent winner of the Georgia Doubles Award and the Florida Sunshine Cup at the National Convention in Orlando this past week, and his flowers were impressive.

Then came the auction; thanks to some last minute donations, there were at least one hundred plants donated by many in Region 13 as well as some of Dan's latest introductions. Clyde Grammon was the auctioneer and many of the Cenla members worked as tabulators, spotters and runners. Clyde was very entertaining and helped generate \$4000 for the region. Many people were able to add nice plants to their collection.

As the evening's activities wound down, we found ourselves visiting into the wee hours of the morning--talking about daylilies of course. You would think we would get tired of talking flowers but not this group.

Saturday morning rolled around with another wonderful breakfast served at the church and then off to our first garden. The drive was welcome as it allowed for a little more time to close our eyes and be refreshed for the day's events.

The day's first garden was "Sandi Acres" located in St. Landry. I have looked forward to seeing Pat Soileau's garden for many years. I have bid against her in many auctions never winning one plant. I knew her garden had to have a remarkable collection

I was not disappointed. Carved out of acres of corn and soybean fields Pat has utilized every inch of available ground to build raised beds for her love, daylilies. And love daylilies she does. Pat thinks she has somewhere around one thousand cultivars. I believe the number is closer to fifteen hundred. There are two 75-100 year old moss-covered live oak trees at the entrance of the garden, which add wonderful shade.





Planted in raised beds built from landscape timbers, Pat has the vintage cultivars labeled with orange flagging tape. Cultivars of note were *H.* 'Dutch Windmill' a yellow unusual form by Terry, 1966. *H.* 'Whirling Fury' was another yellow unusual form with a huge dark green throat, Parker, 69. She proudly displayed her namesake, one of Jack Carpenter's latest introductions, *H.* 'Pat Soileau'. One I especially liked that seemed to generate a lot of interest was *H.* 'Green Treat' by E. Salter.

There were a few companion plants such as sasanqua, clematis, hydrangea and a huge fig tree full of figs almost ready to be picked. Under an enormous Shag Bark Hickory Pat served some scrumptious refreshments including chocolate muffins!



(Whirling Fury)



(Green Treat)

I do not know how Pat maintains such an expansive collection by herself but somehow she manages.

Off to "**The Yard**", 1334 Highway 71 South, Bunkie. I felt like a world traveler. We have covered a lot of ground in two days, but no one seemed to notice. The bus rides give us time for fellowship and for others time for a catnap. Frances and Carlton Townsend live in what appears to be an old plantation home site. The

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house is a 75-year-old southern style home -- exactly what you would expect in such an agricultural area.

The front yard is huge, a long par three or par four depending on hole placement. To the left of the garden is Bayou Huffpauir, which runs from Bunkie to Cottonport. This bayou is complete with duckweed and beautiful mature cypress trees. I found myself looking for alligator but all I found were some lazy snapping turtles sunning themselves on some logs.



My attention quickly turned to the daylilies. The beds are strategically placed around the garden. The beds have a number of companion plants including spirea, sago palms, loropetalum, leatherleaf mohnia, ferns and even a small herb garden.

There were two sprawling, seventy-five-year old, live

oaks that provided plenty of shade for the weary traveler. A screen of ligustrums separated the front garden from the rear.

There was even what looked like a sharecroppers cabin that had been relocated from elsewhere on the property.

To the rear of the property were hundreds of acres of planting fields used for sugar cane. In fact they were burning off the cane about a mile back. The flames looked tall from where we stood so we could only image their real size and intensity.

Their dog Sugar made sure that everyone was having a good time and greeted people as they were enjoying the garden.

We loaded up for our trip to lunch. Lunch was held in a church hall of a small Catholic Church St Genevieve's in Brouillette. We were served Jambalaya, green





bean casserole, bread and, of course, chocolate chip cookies. Are you starting to see a trend here with the chocolate? I am not a vegetable person but the green bean casserole was the best I have ever had and I would have gone back for seconds if I did not have to conduct a business meeting.

After everyone had appeared to finish and were working on cookies, I held the Region 13 business meeting. Ellis told me to hurry because we had a schedule to keep. Well, never one to disappoint, I thanked everyone in Cenla for putting on a great meeting. The only business was to put together nominating committees for replacing Region 13 Director and President. (Four more issues, hurray.) The meeting lasted all of five minutes and then we were off to the last garden.

Last, but definitely not least, was the garden of "**Dean and Carter Stafford**", 4828 Highway 452, Marksville. I have always enjoyed the Staffords; they made me feel at home when I first started into daylilies and are always so helpful and friendly.



From the road the garden looks like a quaint garden in a rural setting. The beds were nice and well maintained, but what was hidden from view was a treat. As you walked through the entrance to the real garden you opened up into what is best described as a passion. You started in a shade area, but not a small shaded area. We are talking about a one hundred by one hundred foot area of ferns, elephant ears, hosta, hydrangea, ground covers and more.

You step out of the shade area almost as if you were moving from room to room.

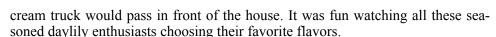
There you find yourself in at least an acre of daylilies, over 1000 varieties, clematis and one of the most beautiful vitex trees I have seen. It was large enough to provide a seating area underneath and it was in full bloom

The Staffords were busy answering all of our gardening questions. I was amazed at just how large and how much landscape material had to be tended. You can tell the Staffords have a passion for their garden. It was truly a Garden of Eden.

The garden visitors were like children when the Popsicles were brought out. It reminded me of the days when the ice



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Amazing was the best way to describe all of these gardens. There is so much work required for each of them to create their own piece of Paradise.

Then came the drive back to the hotel. Everyone was tired from the two days of touring so the forty-five minute travel time was a restful prelude to the evening's events. I am not sure that the Staffords were not waiting for us when we returned. They are at every event, every breakfast, a feat so much more impressive when you find out just how far they have to travel.

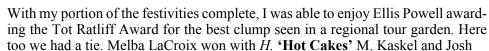
Gift plants were waiting when we arrived at the church and all the attendees enjoyed being able to select the newest additions to their garden.

There was ample time for clinics, boutiques, shopping, napping and fellowship before the evening festivities. The banquet was very nice with chicken, steamed green beans, bread and iced tea. Ellis started off the program by thanking those hard working members without whose efforts an event of this magnitude would not have come to pass.

For my turn, I recognized and thanked the garden hosts. The amount of work required to get a garden ready for touring is incomprehensible. I then thanked all the Cenla Daylily Society members for their hard work and for hosting such a

wonderful event. Next I presented the Emma Middlebrooks award. Carey Roberts, not in attendance, tied with seedling number 40, a five-inch cream with almost black edge and eye (pictured on front cover). I then had the pleasure of awarding the Emma Middlebrooks award to friend Ken Begnaud for seedling number 4, a six inch, almost unusual form lavender blend with a slight patterned eye zone (pictured on front cover). This is the first time have ever seen a tie for this award in Region 13.









Jaques won with *H.* **'Memories Remain'** B. Carr. Ellis was better prepared than I. He had two awards ready to present. After the awards ceremony Ellis asked Clarence Crochet to share a few Boudreau and Thibodaux jokes with us. Clarence shared five or six of his very favorites causing the whole room to erupt in laughter.

The winners of the Cajun Auction were then announced and many door prizes were awarded. Everyone left with great memories and new friends.

End of the story you might think? Not even close. We ended up in the room of Charles and Kay Shearer to share the weekend's events, and of course, more day-lilies. Linda Winberry from Hot Springs gave a daylily presentation of her seedlings as well as a lesson on computer graphics. There were a lot of experienced daylily folk in attendance and daylilies were discussed well into the night.

Sunday morning rolled around way too early. Ken Begnaud and I arrived at Josh and Nikki Jaques' about 7:00 a.m. to look at his seedlings and to pick up some landscape plants I had ordered prior to the trip. The seedlings were impressive and the garden just as beautiful as on Friday. I left his garden with my truck overflowing with Wakabeshu azaleas, Maiden Grass and hydrangeas to spruce up my own garden for the 2011 national meeting in Baton Rouge. I wish I could have added a few of those yellow Knockout Roses, but there is always my next trip in August.

Again I would like to thank the Cenla Daylily Society, the garden hosts and all who attended the meeting. Hopefully I have sparked your interest for next year's regional in Hot Springs, Arkansas or the 2011 National in Baton Rouge!

Happy Gardening!! Joe

Southeast Louisiana Daylily Society (SELDS)

Meeting Date September 12, 9:30 AM, Garden Study Center, The Botanical Garden, in City Park, New Orleans

Delta Daylily Society

Meeting Dates August 15, October 24, and December 5, 10:00AM The Ira Nelson Horticulture Center, Lafayette

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Kalen Begnaud (S) ext	ension granted	Lafayette, LA
Kenneth Begnaud (EX/I)	2011	Lafayette, LA
Dorothea Boldt (E/H)	0	New Orleans, LA
Walter Colquitt (E/H)	0	Shreveport, LA
Patricia (Louise) Deegan (EX/I)	2011	Pineville, LA
Brenda Fontenot (EX)	2010	Pineville, LA
Claudia Ford (EX/I)	2011	Jonesville, LA
Belinda Gauthier (EX)	2010	Dry Prong, LA
James Gauthier (EX)	2010	Dry Prong, LA
Lucille Guidry (E/H)	0	Abbeville, LA
Patrick Guidry (EX)	2009	Abbeville, LA
Nettie Harper (EX/I)	2011	Plaucheville, LA
John Holland (EX)	2011	Rogers, AR
LaVera Johnson (EX)	2011	Bradford, AR
Alice Pillaro (E/J)	2009	Jeanerette, LA
Patricia Pilley (EX)	2007	Garfield, AR
Patsy Soileau (EX/I)	2011	Saint Landry, LA
Carter Stafford (EX)	2010	Marksville, LA
Robert Stassen (EX)	2011	Fayetteville, AR

Region 13 Garden Judges...

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Ed Beckham	Н	Baton Rouge, LA
Kalen Begnaud	2013	Lafayette, LA
Kenneth Begnaud	2013	Lafayette, LA
Melissa Begnaud	2013	Lafayette, LA
Mark Breaux	2010	New Orleans, LA
Douglas Beecher	2012	Rogers, AR
Elizabeth Beecher	2012	Rogers, AR
Timothy Coffey	2013	Metairie, LA
Clarence Crochet	2010 I	Prairieville, LA
Lawrence Davis	2010	Grand Cane, LA
Mary Tilleaux Davis	2010	Grand Cane, LA
Myrtis Duplantis	2009	Lafayette, LA
Belle Durio	Н	Opelousas, LA
Ken Durio	Н	Opelousas, LA
Brenda Fontenot	2011	Pineville, LA
Earlene Garber	Н	New Iberia, LA
Belinda Gauthier	2011	Dry Prong, LA
James Gauthier	2011	Dry Prong, LA
Joe Goudeau	2013	Central, LA
Diana Guidry	2009	Abbeville, LA
Linda Guidry	2010	Lafayette, LA
Patrick Guidry	2009	Abbeville, LA
Edward Herringshaw	2011	Baton Rouge, LA
John Holland	2010	Rogers, AR
Marilyn Holland	2010	Rogers, AR
Charles Ingram	2010	Gonzales, LA



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LaVera Johnson	2009	Bradford, AR
Gerald Lutterman	2011	Bossier City, LA
Virginia Lutterman	2011	Bossier City, LA
Russel Madere	2012	Amite, LA
Sandra Madere	2012	Amite, LA
Jean McCarty	2011	Haughton, LA
Jerry McCarty	2011	Haughton, LA
Trudy Pickett	2010	Bentonville, AR
Alice Pillaro	2010	Jeanerette, LA
Gail Rasberry	2013	Bay, AR
Donna Reaux	2010	Lafayette, LA
Terry Reine	2010	Prairieville, LA
Bonnie Richardson	2010	Baton Rouge, LA
Carey Roberts	2012	Russellville, AR
Charles Shearer	2012	Hot Springs, AR
Kay Shearer	2012	Hot Springs, AR
Sharon Smith	2010	Mandeville, LA
Weldon Pat Smith	2010	Mandeville, LA
Mary Snyder	2010	Prairie Grove, AR
Patsy Soileau	2014	St. Landry, LA
Carter Stafford	2011	Marksville, LA
Robert Stassen	2013	Fayetteville, AR
Muriel Walker	2010 I	Baton Rouge, LA
Tom Walker	2010 I	Baton Rouge, LA
Lucy Wells	2010	Prairieville, LA
David Wilson	2013	Sun, LA
Floyd Worley	2012	Benton, AR

 $(H = Honorary \cdot I = Instructor)$

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AMERICAN HEMEROCALLIS SOCIETY STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES

Region 13 Financial Report
January 1, 2009 - June 30, 2009

Beginning Balance (January 1)	\$14,281.91
INCOME:	
Region 13 auction proceeds	\$4,000.00
Reimbursement from AHS for newsletter	\$0.00
Advertisement	\$0.00
Donations	\$0.00
Total Income	\$4,000.00
EXPENSES:	
Insurance Expense	\$0.00
Office Expense/Secretary	\$0.00
Web Page Hosting Expense	\$100.00
Postage	\$100.00
Printing Expense-Arkla (Spring)	\$1,233.92
Emma Middlebrooks Award Expense	\$0.00
Region 13 Board Member Expense	\$0.00
Total Expenses	\$1,433.92
Net Income	\$2,566.08
Cash balance beginning of period	\$14,281.91
Cash balance end of period	\$16,847.99
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Prepared by Melissa Begnaud, Region 13 Treasurer



As you all know, the Baton Rouge Daylily Society applied for and was granted permission to host the 2011 American Hemerocallis Society National Convention. Since then, BRDS members Ellen Richmond and Jean Ingram have created a beautiful quilt to help defer costs. The Southeast Louisiana Daylily Society allowed BRDS to use their space at the New Orleans Botanical Garden plant sale in October as a fundraiser. Not only did they allow us to use their space, they supplied a 10 x 20 covered sales area and assisted with the set up, tear down and sale of plants. The Arkansas State Daylily Society had donated \$500 for advertising and Region 13 donated \$1,000 toward advertising. The Delta Daylily Society is looking into providing a special treat to hold all the goodies usually given to the attendees of the National Meeting.

This has become much more than a BRDS sponsored event; it has become a regionally sponsored event! I invite everyone to join in the fun. The more of us who participate, the more fun it will be for all. We have bus captains, Charles and Kay Shearer, all the way from Hot Springs, Arkansas. World-renowned artist, Carmel Foret, has provided artwork for the pins, t-shirts and other items. She has also offered to create and donate a piece of artwork for the Cajun or live auction. We have hybridizers from around the country hoping there is room to display their future introductions in the tour gardens.

You can help! First and foremost, plan to attend. National Conventions are located throughout the country depending on which of the almost one thousand daylily clubs around the country apply for the privilege. This opportunity may not present itself again for many years. The last national in our region, the largest to date, was 1998 in Lafayette. Other national conventions held in our region were Shreveport 1963, 1973, and 1992 and Baton Rouge 1955.

Here are some areas where you can participate:

- Bus captain: you need to have the gift of gab
- Registration: meet and greet people from all over the country
- Boutique: sell AHS literature, Cajun raffle tickets, etc.
- Auction and Cajun Auction: assist in selling tickets, spotters, tabulators, etc.
- Garden Angels: special individuals who will help dead head, dig gift plants, or just help prepare a garden for the many visitors from around the world.
- Advertise: let your daylily friends know what we have to offer. Word of mouth is the best advertising we can get.

Please contact Joe Goudeau at daylilys@cox.net or (225) 262-8418 to volunteer your time and talents.

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Program 9:00 a.m. — 12:00 noon
Buffet Lunch 12:15 — 1:15 p.m.
Annual Auction* 1:30 — 4:00 p.m.

Club Plant Sale** All day in the hallway

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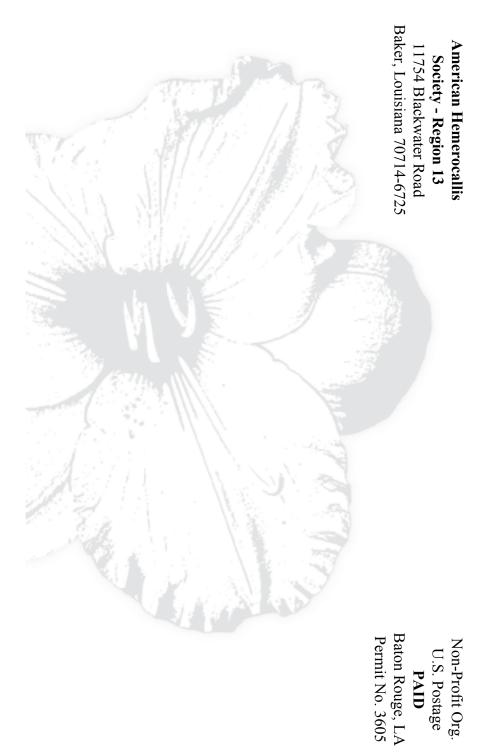
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