

Daylily Dispatch

The American Daylily Society Newsletter

Growth is coming SOON!

Hello, Daylily Friends!

I hope each of you have had a safe winter. I know I prefer the warmer temperatures of spring and summer. I've always have had cold feet, and the older I get the harder it gets to keep them warm at all. So bundle up, warmer days are coming soon enough.

I look forward to when the daylilies really start to grow. It is always exciting to see the new growth. However, if I am being honest, sometimes it is a little stressful wondering if everything survived the winter. Selena and I grow most of our cultivars in pots, and even though we live in zone 8b, we lose some every winter.

In the winter waiting, I plan out what I want to do this spring. What new cultivars do I want to purchase? What companion plants do I want to add to the garden? What daylily clubs I want to visit outside my area? Which display gardens do I want to stroll through? I'm excited, I hope you are too.

Happy Gardening, Allen Bonner



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'Old Time Memories' (Carpenter-J, 2004) Photo by Selena Bonner



"The garden year has no beginning and no end."

Elizabeth Lawrence

Join the 100 Giving \$100 Club!

New Year, new club, new pin!



The first 100 Donors will receive this limited edition pin, PLUS...

The Open Form Daylily book as a FREE GIFT while supplies last!

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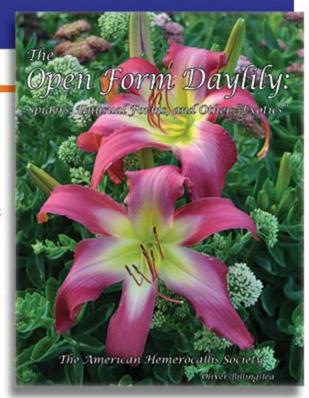
Support AHS Programs

Your donation helps fund judges' education, scientific research, publications, awards, and more!

100 exclusive cloisonné pins were commissioned this year, for the AHS Endowments Committee's '100 Giving 100' Club! The first 100 donors who donate a minimum of \$100 will receive the collectible pin by mail plus The Open Form Daylily book and AHS' sincere thanks.

For more information, please email Joe Goudeau, AHS Endowments Chair, endowments@daylilies. org. Send your check payable to American Hemerocallis Society, 8550 United Plaza Blvd Suite 101, Baton Rouge, LA 70809

Important: Please note that a gift of \$100 or more entitles the donor to just one pin. One pin per household, unless separate checks — both \$100 or more — are donated. Thank you!



Please note the 100 Giving \$100 event is while supplies last and the free gift is for US addresses only.



'Round the Regions



Region 1

The Semi-Annual Meeting presented by the Daylily Society of Minnesota will be held Sunday, February 25, 2024 at 12:30 PM at the Bachman's Garden Center, Heritage Room in Minneapolis, MN. Featured speaker will be Carole Hunter. This event is open to the public. For additional information visit <u>Daylily Society of Minnesota</u> on Facebook.

The 2024 Pollen Dabbers Symposium hosted by the Central Iowa Daylily Society will be held March 22-23, 2024 in Marshalltown, IA at the Marshalltown Community College. Guest speaker will be Sandy Holmes. For more information visit www.centraliowadaylilysociety.com/#calendar

SAVE THE DATE for the 2024 Summer Regional Meeting to be held on July 19-21, 2024 in Minnetonka, MN at the Minneapolis Marriott Southwest. The meeting is hosted by the Daylily Society of Minnesota. Guest speaker is Eric Simpson of Blue Ridge Daylilies. There will be tours of beautiful gardens, Garden Judges Workshop, and more! For additional information and to register visit www.daylilysocietyofminnesota.org/region1.shtml

2024 Winter Symposium will be held March 1-3, 2024 in Lafayette, IN at the Court-Region 2 yard by Marriott Hotel. Guest speakers include renowned daylily hybridizers and growers Jim Murphy of Woodhenge Gardens, Ann Townsend of Bittersweet Farm, Chris Wilhoite of Soules Garden, Bret Clement of Clement Daylily Gardens, and Bart Beck of BX Butte Daylilies. The weekend includes auctions, hybridizer's forum, social hour, Saturday dinner, and more! For additional information or to register to attend, visit their website at ahsregion 2.org and click on Winter Meeting.

SAVE THE DATE for the 26th CanAm Classic to be held May 3-4, 2024 at the Dou-Region 4 bletree by Hilton in Toronto. This long standing event highlights well-known hybridizers and speakers in the daylily community. More details will be posted in their Spring 2024 Regional newsletter. Visit their website at <u>ahsregion4.org</u> for more information about their region and to read their award winning newsletter.

SAVE THE DATE for the 2024 Spring Regional Meeting and Garden Tour hosted by Region 5 the Daylily Society of Greater Atlanta on June 7-8, 2024 at the Hilton Garden Inn, Alpharetta, GA. "Come Explore in 2024" and tour some beautiful gardens and learn to become an Exhibition or Garden Judge. For more information and to register for the Winter or Summer Meetings visit <u>ahsregion5.org</u>.





'Round the Regions



Region 6

2024 Summer Regional "Big City Lights" will be held May 31-June 1, 2024 hosted by Daylily Growers of Dallas at Fairfield Inn & Suites in Terrell, TX. For more information, online registration, and hotel reservations visit www.ahsregion6.com/regional meeting.htm

The 33rd Annual Mid-Winter Symposium will be held February 9-11, 2024 at the Holiday Inn University Plaza in Bowling Green, KY. There will be a hybridizer Show & Tell session on Friday along with a Wineception and Social Hour. Featured speakers on Saturday are Scott Elliott, Bill Waldrop, Nikki Schmith, Charles & Heidi Douglas, and Jeff & Jennifer Harvey. Garden Judges Workshop and Exhibition Judges Clinics are available to attend. For more

Region 11

2024 Spring Fling will be held March 22-24, 2024 in Joplin, MO. Guest speakers will be Michael F. Anders, Ph.D. and James (Gus) Guzinski, Ph.D. For more information visit the Region 11 Facebook page at

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information and to register visit www.region10daylilies.org/mid-winter-symposium.html

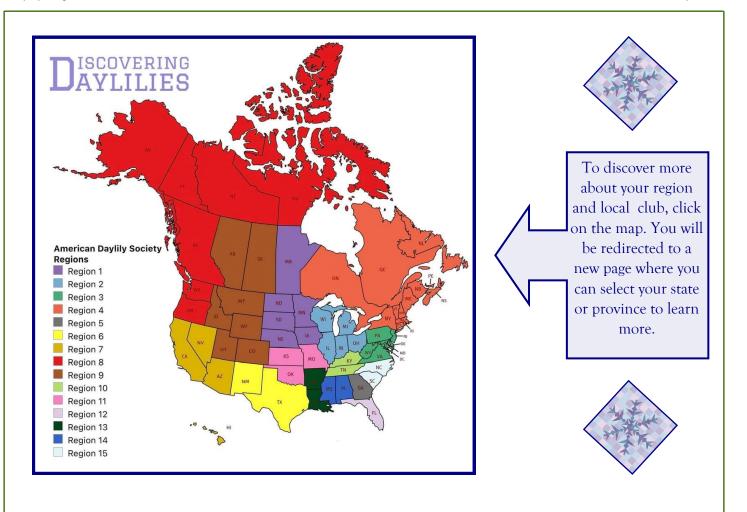
Region 12

2024 Spring Meeting will be held on April 27, 2024 from 9 AM—3 PM at the Flagler Community Education Building, Meeting Room B in Palm Coast, FL. Guest speakers are Bruce and Kathy Fowler of Kathy's Daylilies. Cost for the event is \$20. For more information and to register visit www.ahsregion12.org/event

Region 15

2024 Summer Regional "A Daylily Journey to Soda City– Blossoms, Bids, & BBQ" will be held May 31–June 1, 2024 in Columbia, SC. On Friday night there will be a Pig Pickin' Dinner at Three Shovels Farm in St. Matthews, SC. On Saturday you will enjoy tours of beautiful gardens. The weekend also includes a raffle, silent auction, and daylily auction. For more information visit www.region15daylily.org

Daylily Photos—'Talquin's Summer Memories' (Fowler-K, 2020) Photo by Selena Bonner



LOCAL CLUBS

Connecting with a local daylily club is a great way to learn more about daylilies and how to care for them. You can exchange ideas with other club members about the best ways to incorporate your favorite perennial, the daylily, in your landscaping. It provides opportunities to serve along side other club members while promoting daylilies in the community which fosters friendships. Most clubs offer ways to acquire more daylilies for your garden through events such as bargain sales, auctions, raffles, plant swaps, or gift plant giveaways. When you become an American Daylily Society national member, you also become a member of your ADS region. National and regional membership provides more educational opportunities through online learning, clinics, workshops, and conventions.

For more information and to find a daylily club near you, click the "LOCAL CLUB" button at the top of this section.

To learn about national membership, see the article 'MEMBERSHIP' on last page of this newsletter.



DAYLILY AWARDS

2023 Stout Silver Medal

Tim Herrington (Elliott-S. 2014)



Photo by Claude Carpenter at www.daylilies.org/awards/stout-silver-metal/

The **Stout Silver Medal** is the highest award a cultivar can receive in the American Daylily Society awards. It is named in memory of Dr. Arlow Burdette Stout, the father of modern daylily breeding in North America. This award is given annually to the a cultivar which has first received the Award of Merit no less than two years prior. The cultivar is voted on by ADS Garden Judges.



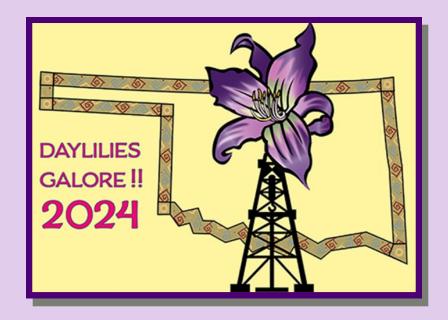
The Award of Merit is the second step in the tier of awards. These daylilies are on their way to competing for the Stout Silver Medal. This award is given to the twelve registered daylilies receiving the most votes by the ADS Garden Judges. To be eligible for the Award of Merit the cultivar must also receive votes from at least half of the regions and not more than one-third of the total votes given to a cultivar shall come from any one region. Info and Photos courtesy of www.daylilies.org



2023 Lenington All-American Award
Thy Bitsy Spider (Bishop-H. 1990)

The **Lenington All-American Award** is selected annually by the American Daylily Society Board of Directors and is awarded to the daylily voted the best performer over a wide geographic area. Info and photo courtesy of www.daylilies.org

For a complete listing of award winning daylilies, visit Awards - American Daylily Society (daylilies.org)



The American Daylily Society
78th Annual National Convention
June 12-15th, 2024
Oklahoma City, OK

Join us for the ADS National Convention for education, flowers, tours, food, fellowship, and fun! For more information or to register for the convention, **click the picture**.



Seedling B-19-33 (Scott-B, 2024)

Photo by Bobby Scott



you will live forever."

William Kent



Seedling 18-19a (Elliott-S, 2024)

Photo by Scott Elliott



2024 ADS NATIONAL TOUR GARDENS

One of the most exciting experiences of an American Daylily Society National Convention is visiting the gardens on the tour. Walking through the beautiful gardens blooming with a myriad of colorful daylilies will indeed plant a smile on your face and joy in your heart! Here is a sneak peek of the gardens you will see this summer at the ADS National Convention in Oklahoma City... it will truly be

"Daylilies Galore in 2024!"



WILL ROGERS DAYLILY GARDEN

The Will Rogers Park is a historical park that is the home of the display garden of the Central Oklahoma Hemerocallis Society (COHS). This garden contains over 325 daylilies and a large number of plants are from Region 11 hybridizers. This scenic garden hosts the COHS club meetings, plant sales, and daylily exhibitions. It features an arboretum, an amphitheater, swimming pool, and disc golf area. It will be a wonderful place to enjoy our lunch!

TOPGUNS DAYLILY GARDEN

Topgun Daylilies was founded in the early 1990's by Bob Scott, Sr. His son, Bobby, joined with him full time in 2015. Although they are known for their beautiful double daylilies, they grow a variety of distinctive daylilies. Topgun Daylilies is built around a full-service perennial plant nursery which is home to a vast array of plants. Come stroll through their garden and discover your new favorite daylily!





THE GARDEN OF BRENDA & DELBERT JINDRA

Brenda and Delbert designed flower gardens around their house on their 165 acre farm which is home to cattle, donkeys, goats, and daylilies. Their ADS Display Garden features a diverse collection of daylilies from historic to modern and an extensive collection of daylilies from Region 11 hybridizers. They can't wait for you to visit their rural garden paradise and relax under their pergola as you take in the colorful view!

THE REUSSER GARDEN

The Reusser Garden is the small neighborhood garden of Dean Reusser. He grows a variety of perennials and daylilies. He enjoys growing miniature, small, double, and unusual form daylilies. He has flowerbeds all around his yard. Come walk his lovely garden and then take a rest on his charming front porch!





THE KOWALCHYK GARDEN

The Kowalchyk Garden is a family love affair of flowers and floral design. The garden was created by Nancy and the late Norbert Kowalchyk. Michael shares his love of flowers with his grandparents, and he has been an active member of daylily community since his childhood. The Kowalchyks are very involved with several garden clubs in Oklahoma City. Their love of daylilies is on display with over 500+ cultivars of various forms, colors, and sizes. They also have an OZ Daylily Collection. Their garden features seedlings of Michael Kowalchyk, Chris Vizvarie, and the late Norbert Kowalchyk.

WINDSWEPT FARM AND GARDENS

Livestock and daylilies make up the farm and garden of Terry Lopp and his son, Ashton. Ashton is the 5th generation of the family to grow daylilies, but he is the first to hybridize. Their two acre garden features over 1200 registered cultivars and a few thousand seedlings. They have a large collection of small and miniature diploid daylilies. Their garden also includes annual and perennial flowers along with various flowering shrubs and trees. The highlight of their garden is their extra large screen room built around a large Burr oak tree which is growing in the room and through the roof. The Lopps welcome you to their garden and can't wait to see you June at the national!



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For more information about the 2024 ADS National Convention tour gardens, events, and extra activities, visit www.ads2024convention.org





Seedling 19-24 (Elliott-S, 2024) Photo by Scott Elliott

HELPFUL INFO

In the last issue of the *Daylily Dispatch*, I asked for submissions for the newsletter. I received several wonderful photos. However, I was unable to use them because they did not have enough information for me to be able to post them. In order for your photos to be used in the *Daylily Dispatch*, the photo must have been taken by you. Please identify if it is a seedling or a registered cultivar. If it is registered, please include the name of the cultivar, hybridizer and registration year.

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'Aunt Patsy' (Pierce-G, 2019) Photo by Selena Bonner

GOT A QUESTION?

WANT TO SHARE A DAYLILY PHOTO YOU TOOK IN YOUR GARDEN?

WOULD YOU LIKE TO SUBMIT AN ARTICLE YOU WROTE ABOUT DAYLILIES?

Send your ideas for future newsletter topics, photos, questions, and article submissions to

DAYLILY DISPATCH





'Frosted Vintage Ruffles' (Begnaud, 2000) Photo by Selena Bonner

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DONATE TODAY

Donations to the American Daylily Society are always appreciated. The ADS is exempt from federal income tax under section 501[c][3] of the IRS code. All donations are tax deductible.

All checks should be made payable to the American Daylily Society regardless of the purpose of the donation. Memorial donors are requested to provide the name and address of survivor(s) if you wish the survivor(s) to be notified of your gift.

If you would prefer to mail a check, please send it to our Endowments Chair:

Joe Goudeau

8550 United Plaza Blvd, Suite 101

Baton Rouge, LA 70809, USA

Click the "DONATE TODAY" button at the top to see the various fund designations and to give online.



Don't forget to share the Daylily Dispatch with your friends, family, and garden clubs!





'Rorschach Test (Howard-R, 2013) Photo by Selena Bonner



"To plant a garden is to dream of tomorrow."

Audrey Hepburn



AMERICAN DAYLILY SOCIETY



The American Daylily Society is a non-profit service organization dedicated to educating people about daylilies, promoting the cultivation and enjoyment of daylilies, and fostering the ongoing improvement of the genus Hemerocallis.

DISCOVER THE BEAUTIFUL WORLD OF DAYLILIES AT WWW.DAYLILIES.ORG



'Little Castaway' (Huff, 2013) Photo by Selena Bonner



MEMBERSHIP

The American Daylily Society welcomes new members. Your membership in the ADS supports efforts which educate gardeners on the care, propagation, and appeal of daylilies. It also helps to maintain the registry of daylily cultivars as well as to evaluate, judge, and award daylily cultivars for outstanding plant habit and exceptional distinction.

Included with your membership, each year you will receive four beautiful issues of *The Daylily Journal*, our official newsletter magazine. This magazine contains articles on award winning daylilies, the most popular daylilies by geography, trends in daylily hybridizing, scientific studies, and highlights of gardens and conventions. International members (except those living in Canada or Mexico) please include \$10.00 US additional per year to supplement the cost of mailing.

New members joining the American Daylily Society also receive a \$25 voucher, which can be redeemed towards purchases of daylilies with select growers across the United States, Canada, and United Kingdom.

NEW Membership Dues Effective January 1, 2024:

- Individual, One Year \$30
- Individual, Three Years \$84
- Dual, One Year \$36
- Dual, Three Years \$99
- Youth, One Year \$12
- Life Membership, Individual \$600
- Life Membership, Dual \$900

Gift memberships will be appreciated by your friends. ADS will be glad to send a gift card in your name.

Join the American Daylily Society today by clicking the "Membership" button at the top of this section.