



Lily Talk

A newsletter of the Central Missouri Hemerocallis Society

April, 2014

CMHS 2014 Calendar

April 13
Meeting

June 8
Flower Show Preparation, Meeting

June 20-22
Regional Meeting, St. Louis, MO

July 25-30
National Convention, Asheville, NC

July 12
Flower Show

August TBA
Show at MO State Fair

August 22-23
Picnic and Sale

October 12
Meeting

December 7
Holiday Party

All meetings this year begin with a potluck meal at 1:30 p.m.

Directions to the Extension Center, 1012 Route UU, Columbia, MO – Take the Midway exit off of I-70 (just West of Columbia). Route UU is Southeast of the exit. The Extension Center is the first Building on the left on UU.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings, everyone! As your new president, I first want to apologize for missing the first meeting of 2014. My day job has been very busy and I had to work a lot of overtime.

On a happier note, it looks like Spring might actually be starting to arrive. I can see a bit of green at the base of some of my plants, but most are still fully dormant. I'm always nervous this time of year wondering if any of them didn't make it over the winter. This winter was colder and longer than the past few winters. I have hundreds of baby daylilies growing happily in my plant room, so that has me very excited for warmer weather so I can move them outside into sunshine and fresh air.

The Spring sale at the Farmer's Market will be May 10th. We did really well last year, so be thinking about if you can be there to help out, or if you have plants to donate. It is a lot of fun.

The Lamb shelter has been reserved for the picnic on August 22nd. Then the sale at the Farmer's Market the next day, on the 23rd. If you can be there to help out, let us know.

We have been offered a free booth, with tables, chairs, etc. at the Showcase at South Farms in September. It is a one-day event and over 40,000 people attended last year. Joan Goodwin and I are working on an educational/membership drive. We would like to make up posters and a slide show; and have some experienced people on-hand to educate people on how to grow daylilies (and hybridize them if anyone is interested). We also would like to have some plants there available for people to purchase. If anyone would like to help us by making up educational items such as a poster pointing out parts of the flower, coloring pages for kids, some nice detailed photos, or whatever else might be interesting, it would be great. We also need some members there to provide education. You've got a few months to think about it and it could be a great opportunity for our club to gain new members. I will get more specific information soon on the date and time.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns. I love talking about daylilies!

Leslie Rule

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Nan Ripley, Hybridizer

Nan Ripley lives on 10 acres in rural Iowa with her husband. She is an outstanding gardener and plantswoman, and her Walkabout Garden contains many unique plant varieties that bring visitors from long distances. It features over 1,000 different varieties of perennials, shrubs and trees and is a display garden for new annuals from Ball Horticultural Company. Walkabout Gardens is an American Hemerocallis Society (AHS) National Display garden and was on the summer AHS Region One tour and in 2005 and 2009 and will be on tour again in 2015. Walkabout Garden was also on the tour for the North American Lily Society National Convention held in Des Moines in 2013. It is pictured in the new 'Landscaping with Daylilies' book, AHS publication.

Nan began hybridizing in 1999 and has 30 introductions to date. Since retirement in 2003, she's had much more time for the daylilies, and now plants about 2000 new seedlings a year. During the 2013 American Hemerocallis Society National Convention in Minnesota, Scarlet Pimpernel (a 2006 introduction by Nan Ripley) was awarded the 'Ned Roberts Spider/Unusual Form Award'. Scarlet Pimpernel also tied for first place in the popularity poll for Region One (which includes Iowa, Minnesota, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota and Manitoba Canada). Scarlet Pimpernel earned an Honorable Mention Award for 2013.

Nan serves on the Executive Board of the Iowa Arboretum, and on the Board of Directors of the American Hemerocallis Society, representing Region One. She also serves as the Educational Outreach chair for the AHS. Nan joined the American Hemerocallis Society and the Central Iowa Daylily Society in 2001. She was a member of the AHS 2007 National Convention Planning Committee, AHS Region One Regional Vice-president for 2005-2006, AHS Region One Publicity Director for 2007-2008. She is currently an AHS Garden Judge and Garden Judge Instructor. She is also an active writer and speaker to garden groups throughout the United States.

Region 11 Online Auction

The Region 11 online auction will be running in April. We need 100 plants donated in the spring and the fall. This money pays for printing the Mokane. Please check your gardens and see if you have a couple double fans to donate. Contact me at legwh85@mokancomm.net with the plant name. When the plant sells and is paid for I will send you shipping information (early May). Region 11 will reimburse your postage. Region 11 has a very good reputation and we have lots of repeat buyers. The lily auction can be found at : daylily.com If you go the site and check the options at the bottom of the front page you will find a "want" tab. That has hundreds of lilies that buyers are looking for...if you donate one of those it will probably sell right away. Contact me if you need more information. Lois Hart, Region 11 Director/Lily Auction chair.

Flower Show Date Change

Please note that the date of the Flower Show has been moved to July 12 so as not to conflict with the AHS National Meeting in Ashville, NC.

Calling All CMHS Hybridizers

Let's get the word out to the world about all the creative daylily hybridizing that is happening among our club members! If you hybridize here are 2 ways you can share your work:

1) On the CMHS Website

Charley Blackmore will create a page for you within the CMHS website if you supply him with up to **8** photos of your **registrations** on a CD or flash drive. You can mail this to him or give it to Karen at a meeting. Please make it clear what the name of each is. Since he is volunteering his time, we would only ask Charley to update these pages once a year. See, as an example of what he will do, the page he created for Jesse Emmons at <http://www.centralmodaylily.org/JessesPage.html>. If you need photos digitized from prints or negatives, Charley would be glad to discuss a fee for the extra time it would take to do that.

2) On the CMHS Facebook Page

Nancy Rold will create a photo album for you like the one we recently posted for Patti Waterman at <https://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=a.257027381143245.1073741835.147054135473904&type=3>

Please provide her with a CD of up to **12** photos of **registrations or seedlings** and their names. Also include a brief paragraph to post describing your program and a url if you have your own website or an email of you want the public to contact you.

Region 11 Summer Meeting

The AHS Region 11 summer meeting will be just down the road in St Louis June 20-22. Check out the schedule tour gardens and registration/hotel info at:

http://ahsregion11.org/Summer_Meeting.html This is always a great time with tours of many beautiful gardens, great people to meet and lots to learn. If you have never been, this would be a great place to start. Hopefully we can have many CMHS members going!

Springfield Event (but hurry back for our meeting the next day!)

The Ozark Daylily Club in Springfield will host hybridizer Bob Faulkner on April 12 from 3-5 pm. Bob is a leader in producing modern patterned daylilies. Details are at http://ozarkdaylily.org/event_schedule.htm

Thomas Jefferson's Horticultural Life and Gardens

P. Allen Smith, whose TV shows are broadcast on public television, will visit the MU campus on April 13-14 as part of the MU's 175th anniversary. There should be time to do both the CMHS meeting April 13 and his lecture from 6-7 pm in the Reynolds Alumni Center ballroom. Details at: <https://www.facebook.com/events/230882133782930/> He will also speak the next morning at a Local Harvest roundtable.

Minutes from CMHS Meeting February 9, 2014

Vice-President Sue McConnell led the meeting. The Treasurer's Report and previous meeting minutes were accepted as published.

Treasurer Carol Schultz has lost the name of the long-term CMHS member that won the drawing for an AHS membership at the December Christmas party. Please contact Carol if it was you. Also, a box of mounted daylily photographs disappeared at that meeting please let Carol know if you picked it up by mistake.

Secretary Nancy Rold announced updates to the member handbooks that were distributed to club members.

Flower Show Chairperson Alice Havard announced that the Columbia Garden Club will co-host the show with us this year and the design and educational sections will be expanded. Patti Waterman is helping to secure judges.

Member Barb Schuette is forming an independent group of gardeners to study flower arrangement design. The first meeting will be April 14 from 10-noon at Trinity Presbyterian Church.

Bob McConnell mentioned that member Wayne Merrill's mom Dorothy Helen Merrill passed away recently. A memorial was sent to AHS.

Karen Blackmore proposed a spring plant sale and will see if April 26 is an open date at the farmers market. The summer sale will be August 22-23. This year we will ask to have each donor process their own plants. If you need help, you might want to recruit a few volunteers.

Sue asked for volunteers to write a paragraph on our club activities for the regional newsletter 3x/yr. There were no volunteers at the meeting. Let Leslie know if you are interested.

We welcomed new member Anne Johnson.

Next meeting: April 13, 2014

Respectfully submitted, Nancy Rold, Secretary