



# Lily Talk

*A newsletter of the Central Missouri Daylily Club*

February 2021

## CMDC 2021 Events Calendar

February 4 - **postponed**  
Members Garden Pictures

April 11  
Hybridizers Ashton and Terry Lopp, Windswept Farms Jones, OK

May 20-22  
ADS National Convention  
Hattiesburg, MS

June 13  
Tours of members gardens

July  
No flower show; possible open gardens

July 2-3  
ADS Region 11 Summer Meeting  
Manhattan, KS

October 10  
Alternate date for April or February program

December 5  
Holiday Party

**Any in person club meetings this year may or may not 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 Report

Hello everyone,

What an interesting time this is. It seems like everything has been put on pause, but our gardens are still growing! Well maybe it's the weeds, I mean the misplaced plants that are really busy! Being home more has given me more time to plan and study my gardens and flower beds and enjoy them more this past year.

I'm hoping to gather more information for you in the next few weeks, so this first message will be pretty short.

Meetings are still in limbo with the restrictions. Plants sales should still be happening so think about which plants need to be thinned down. Did you take photos of any of the daylilies you plan to bring to the sale? If so keep them handy so we can collect and have more to show the customers!

Do you have friends who like daylilies? Invite them to come to a meeting with you when we finally get things rolling again. We need more members!

Now go get those seed catalogs and think about what companion plants you want for your daylilies...that is...besides more daylilies!

Debbie Nix  
President CMDC

#### **From VP for Programs**

I suspect many of you found working in your garden a wonderful escape from the realities of the past year. I know I sure did! Seeing the beauty as it unfolded helped to lift my spirits while digging and pulling weeds helped get rid of a lot of frustrations! I also hope you were able to get some good pictures of your gardens to share.

You will note that the meeting schedule for 2021 is rather tentative, hinging on when it will be safe to gather and enjoy each other and our daylilies again. The program where we planned to share our pictures could either be in February or October, more likely the latter. I am really looking forward to sharing a few pictures and seeing yours. If the program cannot be held until October, it just gives us more opportunities to get some interesting pictures.

Until we are able to meet, stay safe and happy gardening!

Patti Waterman



Peanut's Sunrise  
on July 4, 2020

## **My Experience Researching Historic Daylily Hybridizers**

As a hybridizer of small and mini daylilies I am so excited that ADS has a book being written on that subject. Hybridizers with more than 10 mini/small registrations or with award winners in those classifications may be featured. ADS President Scott Elliot is the book editor working closely with ADS Publications Chair, Lois Hart.

I volunteered to help research the historic hybridizers of Region 11 who meet the above criteria. In gathering information on Frank Kropf, George and Lucille Lenington, George Taylor, Sol Mannoni, Harold Harris and the Wild family I had some wonderful conversations with our long-time members. They had some great memories to share. It was wonderful too to catch up personally with some I had not seen in a while! I wished that this project had been in play a decade or more ago when more members with valuable memories were alive.

I also discovered what a treasure it is to have the ADS Members Portal on the ADS website. There I found an archive of all of the Daylily Journals from 1946 to the present! There is even an index to the articles if you are looking for a particular subject or person. There is also an index to all the published daylily photos. We are so fortunate to be able to see so many color photos these days. The early journal photos of the newest daylilies were in black and white, of course, which certainly leaves something to be desired to our modern eyes. If you are looking for some entertainment for these cold winter months, I highly recommend delving into this historical record. You will find a strong role by CMHS members writing articles: Mavis Smith, Rosemary Whitacre and Olin Frazier. Looking at the Popularity Polls results through the years underscores the fact the McConnell's Plantland brought the best classic and award-winning daylilies to our mid-Missouri backyards. We have so many early pioneers in daylilies and steadfast supporters of the Society to thank for getting us where we are today.

Volunteering for a small part in this book project blessed me in ways I had not expected. I hope that you will say Yes! when small or large opportunities at the club, region or national levels present themselves. As the first bulletin in the archives opens:

Coming together is the beginning,  
Keeping together is progress,  
Working together is success!

Nancy Rold

### **Articles and Photos Sought**

Any member can submit articles or photos for consideration in this newsletter. Just mail or email them to editor Nancy Rold at: [dlily01@aol.com](mailto:dlily01@aol.com). Publication months and submission deadlines are as follows:

April Newsletter	March 15
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