



Daylily Talk

A newsletter of the Central Missouri Daylily Club

October 2022

Central Missouri Daylily Club 2022 Events Calendar

October 9 meeting – Member Garden Photos

December 4 – Holiday Party

Any in-person club meetings this year may or may not (see below) 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,

From a cool wet spring to a hot dry summer, that's how it goes isn't it! I think this summer has been a test on quite a few of our gardens. The daylilies have weathered it fairly well in my garden and hopefully yours as well!

The daylily sale brought in a smaller amount this year. That was mostly due to a lower turnout and fewer plants. We should be able to anticipate a good spring sale!

If you have thought of becoming a judge now is the time! Judges are really needed in the Region. Congratulations to Nancy Rold for winning Region 11's 2022 Hybridizer Award for 'Refined by Fire'. At the National Convention in Asheville Patti Waterman received Honorable Mention for 'Anam Cara'. Congratulations Patti!

I also want to say thank you to all of the other members of our club who Hybridize. It's that "what can I create" thinking that makes the world a little more beautiful.

Time to go water the daylilies, see you at the meeting!

Debbie Nix
CMDC President

October Program – Your Stories and/or Photos!

This is a reminder to all members to please bring pictures, stories, etc. about your growing season. We will have equipment to feature your pictures of daylilies and other interesting aspects of your garden. I may not have anything to share except my story of this summer. It was a first in all my years of growing daylilies! I hope most of you will be able to participate and that all will enjoy and possibly be inspired with new ideas. This is our program.

A potluck meal WILL precede the program this time! Please bring a main dish, side or dessert to share.

Patti Waterman
Vice President



Membership Renewal Reminder

Attention all members! It is time to collect annual CMHS dues. Please plan to bring your payment in a check made out to CMHS or CMDC to the Feb 9 meeting. Dues are \$15 for Individual membership, and \$20 for family membership, for the calendar year 2020. If you are able to attend the meetings, you may mail them to Linda & John Poehlmann, 8303 W Hwy 40, Columbia, MO 65202. Dues were delinquent as of Jan. 1, so please renew now. Thank you!!

Flower Show

Our June 25 Daylily Exhibition celebrated our 50th year as a club!! Despite a late bloom season, many fine cultivars were shown and a full complement of designs were entered. Top honors went to:

Little Peep Eye (Apsher, 1996) Best in Show and Outstanding Miniature Flower. Exhibited by Nancy Rold.

Full of Treasure (Grace, 2010) Outstanding Large Flower. Exhibited by Dan & Audrey Judy.

Pride (Tankesley-Clarke, 1996) Outstanding Small Flower. Exhibited by Eric Tankesley-Clarke.

Curly Brick Road (Reinke-J, 1999) Outstanding Spider Flower. Exhibited by Karen Blackmore.

Light Unto My Path (Rold, 2017) Outstanding Unusual Form Flower. Exhibited by Nancy Rold.

Outstanding Seedling. Seedling exhibited by Nancy Rold.

Tricolor Design Award: Tip O' the Hat by Charlene Larkin

Sweepstakes winner: Dan and Audrey Judy. They also won the Boone County Fair Rosette for a collection of 3 Region 11 hybridizer's cultivars.



Regional and National Award Winners

At the AHS Region 11 summer meeting in Tulsa, OK registrants toured several beautiful gardens. Clumps in each garden that had been hybridized in our region (MO, KS, OK) were flagged and each attendee had the opportunity to vote for the best such cultivar. This year the Region 11 Hybridizer Award went to Nancy Rold for 'Refined by Fire' which was in full bloom and very well grown by Cherry and Bill Shoemaker. Nancy was unable to attend the regional this year, so regional President Carol Schultz made the award of a garden plaque to her at the club picnic.

At the AHS National Meeting in Asheville, NC it was announced that Patti Waterman's 'Anam Cara' was awarded an Honorable Mention (HM). This is the first "stamp of approval" by garden judges at the national level. The cultivar must receive at least 15 votes from 4 different regions and moves the cultivar up the award pyramid toward the Award of Merit (then possible nomination for the Stout Silver Medal!). Patti's certificate was also presented at the club picnic.

p.s. The region could use more garden judges. Learn how to get involved at:
<https://daylilies.org/daylilies/judges/garden-judge-resources/>





Missouri State Fair Daylily Exhibition

Our club has been active through out the history of the Daylily Exhibition at the Missouri State Fair. Bob McConnell, Jesse Emmons and Billie Long have chaired it through the years, Dan and Audrey Judy have judged it and many members have shown flowers and designs. The show was purposely held on one of the opening days of the fair, but unfortunately this is at the tail end (2nd week of August) of the bloom season. Last year there were only two exhibitors and this year no one was available to enter. Sadly, the fair board is looking at cancelling the daylily exhibit for 2023. If you have concerns, please discuss them with Billie Long who is in touch with fair officials.

August Picnic & Plant Sales

Well, we went from a sopping wet spring that caused us to cancel our spring sale to ground so hard you couldn't get a shovel or fork in the ground to dig plants for our fall sale. We did persevere and had a fall sale. John and Linda will give the details on actual money received from the sale.

We did see that pictures of the blooms really did help sell plants. John Wieland's idea of a picture with each bundled plant was a good one. There have been a couple more ideas suggested for next spring's sale. Our leftovers have been "put to bed" and are ready to grow for next year.

I would like to thank those who helped make our sale successful by bringing plants, working the sale, re-homing the leftovers, bringing bags and supporting our sale. These sales continue to help our club grow and also give us an opportunity to get new members.

Our spring sale should be May 13, 2023. It's not too early to be thinking of thinning our gardens.

Charlene Larkin,
Plant Sale Chair



One Couple's Asheville Experience

By John Wieland

Tara and I attended the ADS National Convention in Asheville this past July, the first for both of us. While we enjoyed the scheduled events immensely, we had our own adventures that made the trip even more interesting, and I thought I'd share those adventures here.

An early surprise:

Originally, we were going to start our trip the weekend prior to the convention, and do some hiking and tourist-y things for a few days, on the way to Asheville. But because of the heat and extreme dryness, we didn't leave for Asheville until Tuesday morning, in order to take care of plants & animals, and minimize the number of days we would be leaving everything behind. Our departure time set us up for lunch somewhere on the east side of St. Louis, so we settled on a McAlister's Deli in Mount Vernon, Illinois. After a quick bite, I got up to use the restroom; as I was returning to our table, I heard someone say "John?" I stopped and looked around... it was Ron and Nancy Rold! It turns out we had somehow timed it just right to bump into them as they were heading to Nashville prior to the convention. Mount Vernon was the last town before our routes diverged as well, so it was pretty much the final place where our paths would have crossed. Quite a surprise for sure.

Bad luck in the Smoky Mountains:

Heading on from Mount Vernon, things were going as typical as could be expected for a long day of driving. We were on pace for a late, but reasonable, arrival time in Asheville. Things changed, however, on Interstate 40, just as we were approaching the Tennessee/North Carolina state line. I was driving Tara's Mini Cooper, cruising along nicely, when suddenly: BANG! The entire car bounced, and immediately the low tire warning sensor went off. I had hit the edge of a large buckling in the concrete, and the front passenger tire was cut open. I rolled forward across the state line and stopped a little way into North Carolina. Suddenly, we were stuck on the side of the road, on a stretch of highway that is literally in the middle of nowhere, with no exits for miles in either direction, let alone towing services.

I called AAA to arrange a tow, but I got nowhere with the person on AAA's side. Here we were, approaching midnight local time, on a narrow highway shoulder with semis hugging the line as they went by, and we couldn't even get help. I finally decided I had to get us off the shoulder before we literally got run over by one of the trucks, so I slowly moved forward, half on the shoulder and half on the road, looking for a safer place to pull off. After a few miles we reached a highway tunnel, with a service road bypassing the tunnel. I pulled off on the service road, a good way off of the highway, and we at least felt safe at that point. Tara and I both now started trying to contact AAA to get a tow arranged; each time, however, we ended up talking to the same person as before, getting no help whatsoever. Finally, I decided to talk to AAA out of Tennessee, since we were so close to the state line. The individual I reached at that time stated that he couldn't schedule a tow directly for us, but he could put a request into the system. Apparently, that worked, because shortly after that call, I received confirmation that someone was coming, and we finally had assistance heading our way.

Even though a tow was scheduled for us, it took *forever* for him to show up. He had to come all the way from Asheville, some 50-60 miles away, then drive past us for 10-15 miles into Tennessee, before he could turn around to get back to us. But eventually, we saw him drive out of the tunnel heading towards us, then another 30-40 minutes later and he was there. We had him take us directly to the Crowne Plaza, where the convention was being held and where our room for the weekend was located. At long, long last, we checked-in and made it to our room around 3:30 am Asheville time, well over three hours later than planned. The ordeal ended with at least *some* good news, as a local garage in Asheville had exactly one tire left in the size we needed, and we were able to drive around Asheville and get home without any further issues.

The biggest (and best) surprise of the trip:

A couple of days later, Tara and I were on our bus preparing to view the convention gardens. The first garden we visited was high up in the mountains around Asheville, a beautifully wooded setting with a small area suitably cleared for daylilies. We were soaking it all in, when we reached the back corner of the garden owner's house, and I noted to Tara, "hey look, there's a Tankesley-Clarke". We finished making a circle along the garden trails, and bumped into Eric at the front of the house. I mentioned that we had seen one of his and Bob's intros; I was thinking we had seen 'Jokester', but Tara was pretty sure we had seen 'Jester'. We moved on, not thinking any more of it. We grabbed a snack on the back deck of the house, admiring their long-distance views, when Eric walked past, with a plant in a plastic bag. Tara and I looked at each other, both thinking "I didn't know they were selling plants here", when a different thought came to mind...

That thought was later confirmed, when we bumped into Eric again at Blue Ridge Daylilies, the anchor garden for the convention. Apparently, the cultivar was indeed 'Jester' (lesson here: Tara is always right), and 'Jester' is one of the very few of Bob and Eric's cultivars that Eric had feared was lost. And of those missing cultivars, 'Jester' was *the one*. Eric commented that this made his convention; I can assure you it made ours as well. The plant wasn't blooming, so

fingers crossed that it was properly labelled, and if so, this is probably the coolest daylily story I've ever been a part of.

A goat lady surprise:

That evening, back at Crowne Plaza, several people were showing off their hats for the convention's hat competition. Tara immediately noticed one particular hat that had a mountain on it, surrounded by goats. And several Region 11 folks stopped by our table and mentioned that the hat's owner had goats herself, and that Tara should talk to her at some point. Well, some point happened the next morning during our second visit to Blue Ridge Daylilies, when she tracked Tara down to talk. Apparently, the same Region 11 folks had been telling her to talk to the woman with pink hair, which Tara was sporting during the convention. They had a nice conversation, about goats of course; later that evening, the goat and mountain-themed hat ended up taking home first prize for best hat.

The remainder of the convention was very enjoyable, as was our exploration of Asheville in between meetings, meals, and garden tours. It was fun to talk with and meet daylily folks (at one point we were having a Mini Cooper discussion with Steve and Jane Amy), but in the end, it'll be the personal moments above that we'll remember most.



Daylily Named to Celebrate Club's 50th Year

By John Wieland

After our June meeting, I had put myself on the hook to register a seedling to honor the club's 50th anniversary. At that time, I had one particular seedling in mind; however, over the next several weeks I bounced between 3-4 different seedlings, trying to decide which was the best fit. In the end, while some of the other seedlings had certain characteristics that I preferred, the original seedling I was considering ended up being the best fit for what I was looking to register as the club's "golden" anniversary plant.

Named 'CMDG Golden Anniversary', this early-midseason plant has a 4.5" gold bloom, with a small green throat and fairly heavy gold (aka diamond) dusting. The blooms rest on 38" tall scapes, averaging 3 branches and 14 buds. It didn't perform quite as well as I would have liked this season, but a combination of the dry weather and an overgrown seven-year old clump were the culprits.

The first offering to club members was at the club picnic in August. Around 10-11 starts were given out, with the rest lined out to provide to members in the future, and possibly even as a "membership gift" to encourage new members. I thank my fellow club members for letting me follow through with the idea of registering a plant in honor the club, and I sincerely hope you find it at least worthy of a small piece of precious real estate in your gardens.



Minutes CMDS Meeting, June 12, 2022

The meeting began with Carol Schultz asking for a vote to choose which bud vase, made and donated by Leemer Cernohlavek, to include in the club's basket to be auctioned at the Region 11 Summer Meeting in Tulsa later in the month. Afterwards, Carol gave a presentation on sculpted daylily bloom form, followed by a presentation on exhibiting daylilies.

The next topic of discussion was the upcoming daylily show (Saturday, June 25) at the Columbia library. Led by Alice Havard, important points included: use green bottles for show entries; we would be able to enter the library at 7:45am, in the back, to set up for the show; Karen Blackmore would be the head of

hospitality for the show judges; we would need to be out of the library by 5pm; and there would no longer be a popularity poll category.

Three final topics were raised prior to adjourning the meeting. First, Charlene Larkin indicated that the fee for selling at the Boone County Farmers Market was \$25. A motion was raised, seconded, and agreed to, to pay the \$25 prior to selling at the Farmers Market.

Second, Nancy Rold suggested changing the name of the newsletter from “Lily Talk” to “Daylily Talk”, to more properly reflect our club’s namesake flower. A motion was raised, seconded, and agreed to, to update the newsletter’s name.

Lastly, John Wieland proposed registering a seedling to honor CMHS/CMDC’s 50th anniversary and make it available to club members going forward. A motion was raised, seconded, and agreed to, to allow use of the club’s initials in a daylily registration.

**Respectfully submitted,
Tara Ashlock & John Wieland, Co-Secretaries**

Treasurer’s Report

We last reported the June 12, 2022 balance at \$12,945.57.

Expenses for AV equipment and hospitality total \$271.13. Expenses for the June 25th Show at the Columbia Library included \$72.17 for supplies and \$1,426.54 in honorariums (mileage, food, hotel) for judges; a total cost of \$1,498.71.

August 19th & 20th Daylily Sales produced \$1,015.82 in sales with \$225 in expenses or \$790.82 net income. Ending Balance is \$11,966.55 as of September 18, 2022. Pending deposits include \$37 for redeemed Farmers Market tokens and \$385 in daylily sales by Nancy Rold for the benefit of CMDC.

Linda & John Poehlmann
Treasurers

Photos From the Picnic (thanks to Carol Schultz for many of the photos that grace our newsletters!)

