



Metropolitan Columbus Daylily Society

Summer 2007 Newsletter

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June 2007

Dates to Remember in 2007

June 22-24

Region 2 Summer Meeting in
Evansville, Indiana

Saturday, June 30

Bus trip to Southeast Ohio gardens with Garden Judges Workshop 2 offered. See page 2 for details.

Sunday, July 8

**22nd Annual Flower Show
Exhibition Judges Clinic III.** See page 5 for details.
Franklin Park Conservatory

July 25-28

AHS National Convention, Minneapolis, MN

Saturday, August 18

Public Daylily Sale 10 a.m. to noon.
Auction, member plant drawing at 1 p.m.
Franklin Park Conservatory

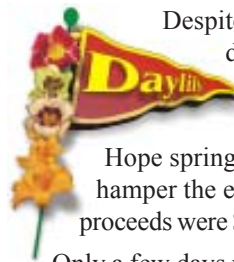
Sunday, November 11

Fall Meeting, Speaker TBA
Franklin Park Conservatory, 2 p.m.

Sunday, December 9

Holiday Dinner from 6 to 8 p.m.
Franklin Park Conservatory

President's Message



Despite the devastating early April freeze that left most of our daylilies and spring perennials flat on the ground, our gardens have made a remarkable recovery and appear to be growing on into an early bloom season.

Hope springs eternal, as is said, and the weather certainly did not hamper the enthusiastic bidding at our spring auction. The final proceeds were \$3,925.00.

Only a few days remain before our June 30 bus trip to Southeast Ohio. The tour will leave promptly from Franklin Park Conservatory bus lot at 8 AM, so set your alarm clocks.

A special thanks is due to volunteers Jane Adkins, Willi Fausnaugh, Alan Hersh, Marianne McCamont, Bill and Sylvia Mellinger, and Mike Oatney who helped me weed and mulch the Ohio Hybridizers Historic Gardens. Once again, the daylilies have shown phenomenal growth and should be blooming profusely by show date.

A special thanks is also due to Jeff and Darlene Kerr, Dick and Pat Henley, Gerald Bushong, John and Shirley Dailey, Oksana Tadich, and Donna Dietsch, who manned the MCDS booth at the Columbus Rose Festival on June 9 and 10.

A "Royal Occasion" will take place on July 8 at our annual daylily show. We are enclosing your show schedule with all the details. If you are a new member, please do not be intimidated by the lists of rules and instructions. It's really easy to groom and display daylily scapes. You will learn so much and be overwhelmed by the gorgeous array of beautiful flowers. Don't miss this opportunity to participate in our best public event of the year. 🌸

Karen Ciula

Welcome New MCDS Members (as of June 10)

Sheila A. White 12156 Buckeye Point Drive Millersport, OH 43046 740-467-2429	Katey Fanning 3784 Higbee Drive East Columbus, OH 43207 614-563-5565	Kari Mackenbach 4581 Helston Court Upper Arlington, OH 43220 614-451-3378
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MCDS Membership (as of June 10, 2007)

Adults (63.3% AHS):	294
Youth (100% AHS):	12
Total AHS Members:	186
Total AHS Membership (64.7%):	306

A ROYAL OCCASION! AND YOU ARE ALL INVITED

Plans are in place, and we're looking forward to our annual daylily flower show on Sunday, July 8th – with the theme “A Royal Occasion”. The show schedule, with specific times, flower and design categories, and other useful information is included with this newsletter. Please extend an invitation to your families and to all your gardening friends.

The flower show is a wonderful opportunity for everyone in MCDS to share daylilies with a large number of visitors. We encourage every member to show at least one of their favorite flowers. The more flowers we have, the more appealing our show will be to the public. And the more fun we'll have at this royal event! Remember, there have been many instances during past years when a club member with only a single entry has won a top prize.

Also remember that in addition to entering single flowers, you are encouraged to consider creating a floral design featuring daylilies. These beautiful arrangements – linked to our show theme – are often crowd favorites. If you would like to enter a design, please review the show schedule, select a design category, and then contact Winnie or Antonio Garabis at (614 486-1324).

Most volunteer positions and responsibilities have been filled. However, we still need help with set up on Saturday and take down/clean up on Sunday. If you are available to assist with these activities, please contact Don or Theda Losasso (614 836-3412). We would also like to encourage additional participation in the “Daylilies in the Arts” show section. Please contact Corey Lucius if you are interested in displaying your daylily art (614 471-2661).

Once again, Bill and Gail Johannes have agreed to hold a daylily grooming workshop prior to the show. The workshop will be on Wednesday, June 27th at 7:00 at the Johannes' home, 1964 Cardigan Avenue, Columbus. Please call Bill or Gail if you would like to attend (614 486-7962). Given their long record of show wins, these are people you will want to learn from!

We look forward to seeing everyone on Sunday, July 8th. If you have show questions or concerns, please contact us.☺

Charles and Cynthia Lucius
MCDS 2007 Daylily Show Co-chairs

Getting Your Scapes Ready to Exhibit: Grooming Workshop

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New Prices for Plant Markers and Plates

Bill Johannes has plant markers for MCDS members to purchase at cost. Call Bill at 614-486-7962 to arrange to pick up your order at the next meeting or at his home in Marble Cliff and to check prices for larger quantities.

Prices per package of 25 are:	15-inch Plant Marker sets \$8.25	Plates only \$3.75
	20-inch Plant Marker sets \$9.25	15-inch wires only \$4.50
		20-inch wires only \$5.50

So we can continue to purchase the markers at wholesale prices and with no tax, plant markers and plates are available only to MCDS members for their personal (not commercial) use.

MCDS Officers

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MCDS WEBSITE

The MCDS website www.columbusdaylilies.org is up and running. We have the site split up into a number of pages including an activities page that we are keeping up to date. Please check this page periodically to see what events are coming up. If you have a plant related event that you would like to post on the web site for the information of club members, please send me an e-mail at kerr.jeff@sbcglobal.net

Also, we are continuing to update the Member's Garden page. We don't have much posted so far but would like a description of your garden and a couple pictures. Eventually we would like a good members garden section with a couple dozen gardens featured. Lastly, if you have a website, give MCDS a link and we will reciprocate. This will increase the readership of our site and your site. Send me a message and I will add your link.

Blooming season is here! *Jeff Kerr*

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Karen Ciula

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Bus Trip Celebrates Daylily Season



We have a bus capacity group registered for the Saturday, June 30, bus trip to Southeast Ohio gardens. The bus will start loading at 7:30 AM in the tour bus parking lot at Franklin Park Conservatory and leave promptly at 8:00 AM.

With a jam-packed schedule for the day, we can't wait for late arrivals, so be prompt. Our first stop will be at the Norris' **Ashwood Garden**, where we will remain for about an hour and a half so that the participants in the Garden Judges Workshop 2 can complete their instruction and evaluation.

We plan to arrive at the Underschultz's **Firefly Hollow Gardens** at noon for our potluck and tour, then on to **Rose's Garden** and **Gardens in the Works**. We hope to be back at Franklin Park by 6:30 PM.

If your last name begins with A through L, please bring a salad or a casserole dish to share; M through Z, please bring snacks, finger foods, or dessert. We will have cold drinks, cups, plates, and utensils. Please check this roster and contact Jeff Kerr if you are not listed or if you need to cancel at 614-794-6040.

Jane Adkins, Philistia Adkins, Carol Beal, Brian Burley, Karen Ciula, Debby Colvin (2), Pam & Rich Connell, Dianne Deal, Donna Dietsch, Charles Dorsey, Cheryl Dye, Irene & Paul Dymerski, Winnie and Antonio Garabis, Kim Hensley, Bill & Liz Herbein, Bill & Gail Johannes, Jeff & Darlene Kerr, Bill & Dianne Koman, Donna Kowalczyk, Jennifer Kuehn, Tedd & Sarah Long, Don & Theda Losasso, George & Marianne McCamont, Carol Meglan, Bill & Sylvia Mellinger, Ed Mongold, Ed & Virginia Myers, Trish & Jim Nicholson, Cynthia Osman (2), Sherri Riffle, Carolyn Schiefer, Jeanne Sutton, Bob & Kathy Szymczak, Oksana Tadich, Elizabeth Veldey, and Kit Walter.

Please remember that there will be no plant digging time allowed on this trip. The individual hosts will take orders for plants you wish to buy. Arrangements may be made for mailing your orders or delivery on the show date. All four gardens are huge with hundreds of cultivars, and our hosts want to share their time with all of us. 🌸

An Important Reminder from your Region 2 Publicity Director

2007 Popularity Poll

Now that summer is here, we once again have the chance to look at our friend, the daylily, and decide which ones we like best. Keep that in mind as you visit gardens and jot down the ones that you know you must have.

Then, don't forget to send your favorites to me in the popularity poll before September 1, 2007. We want to see Region 2's participation go up this year, and you can help.

You must be a member of AHS to participate in the Region 2 Popularity Poll.

You can go to the AHS website at:

<http://www.daylilies.org/PopPoll/ballot2007.html> and click on Region 2. You can either fill out the ballot online or mail a copy to me. Please do not do both.

Mail to: Joyce Hersh

140 North Cassady Ave.
Bexley OH 43209

Judges Education Opportunities

.....Attention.....Attention.....Attention.....

Want to be a Garden Judge this season? We are planning a *Garden Judges Workshop 1* for Wednesday, June 27, at the Conservatory at 6:30 p.m. Once you complete this class, you will have two chances to complete *Garden Judges Workshop 2*. The first is for those lucky enough to have a spot on the MCDS bus trip on Saturday, June 30. Instruction will take place on the bus and at Ashwood Gardens. For those who are not on the bus trip, we will hold a Workshop 2 on Monday, July 2, at 6:30 p.m. at Jamie Gossard's *Heavenly Gardens*.

Please let me know if you plan to attend any of these workshops so we can have enough materials on hand. For those whose Garden Judge status expires in 2007 or 2008, this is a close-to-home chance to renew.

We will also hold an *Exhibition Judges Clinic III* (Refresher) on show day at the Conservatory for those needing renewal credit or for any other Judges who wish to attend. The Clinic will be at 2:30 p.m. in the lower level classrooms.

Please contact me, Alan Hersh, at 614-253-3889 or ahersh@columbus.rr.com if you are planning to take advantage of any of these opportunities. Auditors are also welcome for the Garden Judges Workshops.

Alan Hersh
140 North Cassady Ave.
Bexley OH 43209



AHS National Convention

If you were unable to attend the AHS-Region 2 Summer Meeting in Evansville/IN, you may want to check out if registrations are still accepted for the AHS National Convention, hosted by *Region One* in Minneapolis/St. Paul, Minnesota July 25-28. Contact the Convention Registrar Kris Henning at 715-689-2333 or via e-mail: henning@grantsburgtelcom.net. Or visit <http://www.daylilies.org/AHSconv.html#national2007>

Besides two full day's bus tours to daylily gardens, there is an optional trip offered to the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum on Thursday, July 26. The bus leaves from the convention hotel, costs \$59 per person, and it includes arboretum gate fee and lunch.

In addition, there will be an Open Garden at the North Dakota State University Historic Daylily Display Garden on Sunday, July 29. NDSU will provide complimentary lunch at 11:30 a.m. for those who pre-register (you are responsible for your own transportation, with driving time from hotel estimated at about 4 hours for the 250 miles).

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Memberships (due January 1)

Single Membership	\$10.00
Dual Membership*	\$15.00

Pay MCDS Membership either at the meeting or send to:

Sylvia and Bill Mellinger
706 Jonsol Court
Gahanna OH 43230-3118

*Note: Two adults living in same household.

A Note from our Membership Chairs

MCDS New Members Packet

If you have joined MCDS recently, please contact Bill and Sylvia Mellinger 614-418-4786, williewagtail10@sbcglobal.net or Karen Ciula 614-471-3246, kciula@columbus.rr.com for a "New Members Packet." It will contain the MCDS Bylaws and much important information you will want to have at your fingertips.

AHS Membership

Those of you who have not joined AHS are missing a lot of valuable information from our national and Region 2 organizations. Joining AHS also benefits our MCDS since we need more than 50% of our members to join AHS in order to have an accredited daylily show and qualify for AHS Judges. **Note:** AHS membership fees have increased, 2007:

The American Hemerocallis Society Membership Rates

Individual (1 year)	\$25.00
Individual (3 years)	\$70.00
Dual Membership (1 year)*	\$30.00
Dual Membership (3 years)*	\$83.00
Life Membership	500.00
Dual Life Membership	750.00
Youth	\$10.00**



****Note: Region 2 or MCDS will pay all AHS Youth membership fees.**

Dues are to be paid by January 1 of each year.

Make checks payable to the AHS.

Mail to: Pat Mercer

P.O. Box 10

Dexter, GA 31019

E-mail: gmercer@nlaamerica.com

**Dual Membership means: Two persons living in same household.*

One of the highlights will be *Newsletter Editors Forum*, chaired by your MCDS editor and AHS Newsletter Exchange chair, Gisela Meckstroth.

The *AHS Newsletter Editors Forum* will be held from 4-5 p.m. on Saturday, July 28, at the 2007 National Convention.

AHS Webmaster Tim Fehr will give a much-needed presentation about tips on how to fix problems with digital images using Adobe Photoshop. Other topics covered are "curing" digital leaf streak, adjusting color, tonal range, and much more.

Regional and local-club newsletter editors are invited to attend.

Grooming Daylilies for the Show

by Gordon Riggle

(as revised by Ed Myers in 1994)

You will want to remove all yellowed or brown bracts, insect scars, and spent flower stubs with your tools (razor blade, sharp knife, etc.). Brown tipped bracts should be cut with a sharp knife to remove the discolored portion, but remain pointed like their original form. Brown scars of the scape can be precisely sliced from the surface. Be careful to take a very thin slice; go too deep, and you have a white scar. Often it is better to choose another scape. Slice off the brown tip off the old flower stubs, buds that are preventing flower(s) from opening, small damaged and discolored buds, and deformed, damaged, or touching flowers. Do not remove proliferations (small plants that develop on the scape).

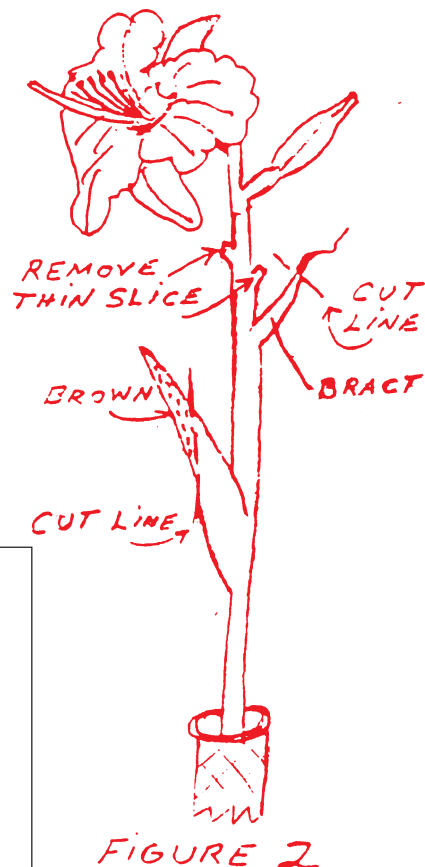


FIGURE 2

Please note that the official entry tag has been modified to reflect the changes in the newly revised AHS *Judging Daylilies Handbook* (2006 Revision).

FILLING OUT YOUR ENTRY TAG

NOVICE

Each specimen to be identified as a Novice Award nominee must have an "N" marked on the upper lefthand side of the AHS tag.

SECTION

Section Numbers for Entries are found in the Show Schedule. If unsure, refer to Classification.

DIVISION

Division I- On Scape Entries
OR
Division II- Off Scape Entries

ARE YOU AN AHS MEMBER?

Please mark appropriately. If you aren't, why don't you consider joining?

ENTRANT NAME & ADDRESS

Be sure to fill in the name of the entrant only! Do not use last name only. Or Mr. & Mrs.. One person only please. It can save you a lot of time if you use pre-printed return address labels. But please be sure to edit labels as necessary to identify the single person entering.

DON'T REMOVE LOWER PORTION!!! LEAVE ATTACHED.

DON'T FORGET TO COMPLETE THIS PORTION OF TAG!!!!!! Fill in this portion with SAME information as on the upper portion of tag

NOTE:
DO NOT WRITE ON BACK OF TAG

LEAVE BLANK

OPENING

For hanging tag on entry

GROUP

The Group for most sections is the first letter of the cultivar name. Seedlings are grouped by type.

CLASS

The only Sections that need a class designation on the entry tag are **DOUBLES**. They have been divided into: **CLASS A**-(4 1/2" or larger) **CLASS B**-(Smaller than 4 1/2") These designations are **AS REGISTERED** (not actual physical measurement of bloom entered)

NAME OF CULTIVAR.

In case of seedling, only the word "SEEDLING" is permitted. (Numbers or pre-registration names may appear ONLY on the concealed portion of the, FOLD-UP area on the bottom)

LEAVE BLANK

DON'T REMOVE LOWER PORTION!!! LEAVE ATTACHED.

This perforation will be used to fold lower portion up over top of tag to hide the name of the entrant from the judges. We want everything to be fair!


Entry Number (Show Use Only)

N

American Hemerocallis Society

Division Section Group Class

Cultivar



AHS Member Yes No

Name

Address

AHS	Rosette	Pupils	1st	2nd	3rd	Hon. Mention	Spectral	Best of Show

American Hemerocallis Society

Division Section Group Class

Cultivar (Please Print)

Name

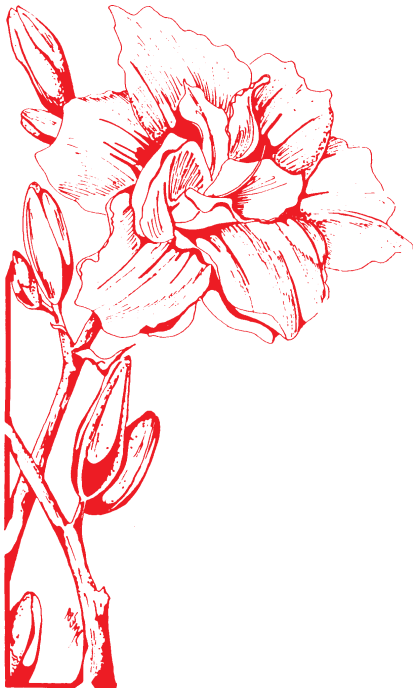
Address

Fallen pollen shows on all flowers but can be carefully removed by lifting off the pollen with a fine paint brush or cotton swab. Never brush against the surface of the flower petal. Trying too hard will cause a shiny spot on the petal, which is worse. If you cannot gently dislodge and lift the pollen easily, leave it.

Remember:

The sole purpose of grooming a scape is to make it look as natural and fresh as nature can grow it.





**Everyone is Invited to Attend the 22nd Annual
MCDS Flower Show**

**Franklin Park Conservatory Exhibition Room
(second floor)**

Sunday, July 8, 2007

1:30 to 5 p.m.

Free Admission



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Sylvia and Bill Mellinger

Membership Chairs

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First Class

**Important:
Your Daylily Show Schedule
is enclosed with this
newsletter!**