



Metropolitan Columbus Daylily Society

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Summer 2010 Newsletter

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Dates to Remember in 2010

Tuesday, June 29, 2010

Ice Cream Social (RSVP TO KAREN)
Franklin Park Community Garden Campus
6 to 8 P.M.
see article for parking directions

Thursday, July 8, 2010

Social in the Gardens (public welcome)
Ohio Hybridizers Historic Daylily Gardens
and the Moldovan Memorial Garden
Bring lawn chairs
Grooming information for show available
6 to 8 P.M.

Sunday, July 11, 2010

Daylily Show, Franklin Park Conservatory
Preparation of entries 8 to 11:15 A.M.
Franklin Park Conservatory atrium and
classroom areas
see article for further information
Show opens to the public after judging

July 16-18, 2010

Region 2 Summer Meeting
Hosted by the Ohio Daylily Society
www.ohiodaylilysociety.org
Galaxy Restaurant, 201 Park Centre Dr.
Wadsworth, OH 44281

Saturday, August 14, 2010

Daylily Sale 10:00 A.M. to noon
Franklin Park Conservatory
Meeting, Auction, and Plant Drawing
Classroom area, 1:00 P.M.

Saturday, November 6, 2010

Midwest Hybridizers Fall Meeting
Dayton/Fairborn Holiday Inn
PowerPoint presentation of 2010 programs

Sunday, November 7, 2010

Fall Meeting, Speaker Paul Owen
Slightly Different Nursery
Franklin Park Conservatory, 2 P.M.

Sunday, December 5, 2010

Holiday Dinner 6:00 to 8:30 P.M.
Franklin Park Conservatory classrooms

President's Message

What a nice spring we have had. The daylilies started growing early and have continued on a record pace. Recent rains have given everything a growth spurt, including lots of weeds. I never had blooms before May 1, but this year, the first daylilies opened on April 19! Flowers are coming on fast, and peak bloom might actually occur in June.

To get the most from your daylily experience, I think one of the most important things you can do is to see as many plants in bloom as possible. Visit other gardens when you can, including our world class collection at the Franklin Park Conservatory, and try to take part in the Region 2 meeting in July. There is much to be learned by seeing how others do things in their gardens.

It might be a challenge to find the usual flowers to bring to our show this year, but we should see some different specimens that normally don't get a chance to perform on the big stage. If you have MCDS guest plants that are in bloom, try to bring them to the show so others can see what they look like. Also, if possible, get a digital picture of the flowers you're bringing back for the August auction. Kathy Voytko has volunteered to create a slide show of those daylilies so we'll actually be able to see what we are bidding on. If you email your pictures to her at kvoytko@sbcglobal.net, she will include them in her program.

I hope you have a great growing season and are blessed with good health.

Steve Williams

***** Congratulations to Ryan Gossard *****

MCDS youth member Ryan Gossard received both an AHS scholarship and the AHS Honorable Mention Award for his *Hemerocallis* 'Red-Eyed Jack' at the recent national convention in Valdosta, Georgia. Ryan took the Best Extra-Large Section Award at our 2006 show for 'Red-Eyed Jack' and has participated for several years in MCDS activities. He has registered seven cultivars since 2003. Ryan has not yet finalized his college plans.

MCDS Membership

(as of June 11, 2010)

Adults (63.1% AHS): 256
Youth (100% AHS): 10
Total Membership (64.5% AHS): 266

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MCDS extends condolences to the family of Jim McMurry, who died May 18, 2010. Long-time members, Jim and wife Becky contributed countless hours preparing for and helping at our sales and meetings. Visit the photo tribute on the MCDS website.

I Scream, You Scream, We All Scream

... for ice cream with our daylilies, of course! Rain or shine, join MCDS friends and family at our ice cream social, **Tuesday, June 29**, any time from 6 to 8 P.M. at the Scotts Miracle-Gro Community Garden Campus at Franklin Park Conservatory. The new gardens are located at the southeast corner of the park.

Parking areas are accessed from **Franklin Park South Street** off of Nelson Road South or Franklin Park West. Handicapped and regular parking spaces are available on the Caretakers Loop drive and along the east side of the gardens.

Ample seating at picnic tables is available, and you may stroll through the gardens. If you have not yet visited this area, prepare to be amazed. If it rains, we may use the Education Building. Of course, you will also want to walk back to the Ohio Hybridizers Historic Daylily Gardens adjacent to the Conservatory to see our spectacular display of over 600 daylilies. Four new Moldovan Memorial Garden beds have been added this spring as well as new shrubs, trees, and perennials.

Karen would appreciate receiving e-mail from members planning to attend just so we have an idea of how much ice cream and fixings to buy. If you do not have e-mail, you do not need to phone; just come and enjoy the evening. Please send the number attending to kciula@columbus.rr.com.

Pre-Show Social in the Garden

On **Thursday, July 8** we will have a 6:00 to 8:00 P.M. social in the Ohio Hybridizers Historic Daylily Gardens, welcoming MCDS friends and family and Conservatory members attending the "Cocktails @ the Conservatory" held every Thursday evening on the rooftop gardens. Those MCDS members having a membership at the Conservatory will be able to preview the new exhibit "Savage Gardens: the Real and Imaginary World of Carnivorous Plants" that opens on Saturday, July 10.

This is an opportunity to attract new members and educate the public about our favorite flower. Park in the regular parking lot or the lot closer to the shelter house and bring a lawn chair or two. A few handicapped parking spaces are available right by our garden.

Anyone who has not shown scapes at our flower show will receive expert tips on grooming and showing. Bill and Gail Johannes, who normally hold a grooming workshop in their garden, and others will be on hand to answer questions.

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MCDS Website

www.columbusdaylilies.org

Jeff and Darlene Kerr have redesigned a large portion of the MCDS website. It now contains many new photos as well as an improved Ohio Hybridizer Daylily Garden, Daylilies for Sale, Member Gardens, Display Gardens, Membership, and Newsletter pages.

Check out the new material, including the entries in the first bloom contest. Now that flowers are blooming, send us your garden photos and description of your garden. Let's show the diversity and beauty of central Ohio members' gardens.

We would like to have at least one photo and a description of each AHS display garden in the club and each garden proposed for the 2012 tour.

Please visit the new site at www.columbusdaylilies.org and send your information to kerr.jeff@sbcglobal.net

Kroger Community Rewards Program Update

Thirty-eight MCDS members shopped at Kroger between 02/01/2010 and 04/30/2010 and helped generate a **\$353.31** donation from Kroger. This brings the total received from Kroger to **\$5753.06!**

So that MCDS will continue receiving funds from Kroger, be sure to register/re-register your Kroger Plus Card if you haven't done so already. Just visit www.krogercommunityrewards.com and click on "Ohio" to sign up for a Kroger.com account or click on "Already enrolled? Sign In" if you already have an account. All participants must have a valid online account at Kroger.com for your purchases to count for MCDS. Our organization number is **82204**. If you need assistance registering, don't hesitate to contact Bill Johannes at 614-486-7962. Please note: the scan bar option for enrolling/re-enrolling is no longer available. If you enrolled last year using the bar code, you must register as a new customer this year.

Silver Jubilee: Our 25th Annual Show

By Karen Ciula, Show Chair

This is a special year for MCDS as we present our 25th annual show "Silver Jubilee." Eight of the original charter members from November, 1985 are still MCDS members, including Lura Emig (Emeritus), Bernie & Dora Mae Grebus (Emeritus), Dick & Pat Crooks Henley, Ed & Virginia Myers, and Janet Withers. Dick Henley was President and Ruth Pardue the Show Chair for the first show held at Inniswood in 1986.

Please read the General Show Rules carefully on Page 1 of the show schedule enclosed with this newsletter because we have some major changes this year. Our show will be held on two levels with preparation tables on both levels. Please groom only your Extra-Large and Large entries on the upper atrium level. Those entries must be checked by the atrium Classification Chair before 10:30 A.M.

All other entries must be groomed and entered from Classroom 3 downstairs. They will be placed, along with the Design section, in Classrooms 1-2. However, everyone will have extra time until 11:15 A.M. to have entries checked by the Classification Chair downstairs. **Our Placement volunteers will not carry entries to another level for you.** The Chair suggests that you leave all other entries on tables in the hallway downstairs or in your car until you are finished entering the Extra-Large and Large flowers upstairs. There is no limit to the number of flowers you may enter; however, plan to complete grooming by the times listed.

Judging in the upstairs atrium will begin at 11 A.M., and the show upstairs will open as soon as the judges select the two section winners there. We hope that the judging downstairs and awards determination will be completed by 1:00 P.M.

An Exhibitor's Breakfast will be in Classroom 3 downstairs. Luncheon sandwiches and drinks will be available later for show volunteers in Classroom 3. The Judges' Chair and Assistant will escort the judges to lunch in the café.

The Conservatory will allocate us 100 admission buttons. Please pick up a button downstairs before attending the show in the atrium unless you are a member of the Conservatory. The classroom area show and awards table is free for everyone to visit. Because of the opening of the new exhibit "Savage Gardens: the Real and Imaginary World of Carnivorous Plants," we expect a large number of visitors this year. All MCDS members should plan to enter at least one scape and attend the show.

Anyone who has not received a blue ribbon in a previous show is eligible to win the Novice Award. Do not forget to mark your entry tag with the letter "N" on the upper left side.

We still need volunteers for Placement and Greeters. Contact Karen Ciula 614-471-3246.

"The Daylily Addict" Receives Award

At the February meeting Charlie Dorsey gave us a preview of his video magazine "The Daylily Addict" on DVD. Charlie again received the AHS Lazarus Memorial Award for that edition. The second DVD in the series is now available. For more information, go to www.thedaylilyaddict.com.

AHS Writing Awards Presented at the 2010 Convention

Gisela Meckstroth received the Best Article About a Hybridizer Award for "A Tribute to Brookwood Gardens' Leo Sharp Jr." published in the Region 2 Great Lakes Newsletter in Winter 2009.

J. R. Blanton received the Best Article About Daylily Culture Award for "Gardening Tips," published in the Region 2 Great Lakes Newsletter in Spring 2009.

View the official Show Schedule

on the MCDS website:

www.columbusdaylilies.org

along with tips on

grooming and showing daylilies.

25th Annual

MCDS Daylily Show

Sunday

July 11, 2010

**YOUR 2010 DAILY SHOW SCHEDULE
IS ENCLOSED WITH THIS NEWSLETTER!**

First Class

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