



Metropolitan Columbus Daylily Society

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Fall 2009 Newsletter

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Dates to Remember in 2009

Sunday, November 8, 2009
 Fall Meeting, Speaker Dan Trimmer
 Franklin Park Conservatory, 2 P.M.
 Veridian Room (see directions below)

Sunday, December 6, 2009
 Holiday Dinner
 Franklin Park Conservatory, 6 to 8 P.M.

Dates to Remember in 2010

Sunday, February 14, 2010
 Winter Meeting, Speaker TBA
 Franklin Park Conservatory, 2:00 P.M.
 Classroom area

Region 2 Mid-Winter Symposium
 February 26-28, 2010
 Cincinnati, Ohio

Sunday, April 25, 2010
 Spring Meeting, Auction, Plant Drawing
 Franklin Park Conservatory, 2:00 P.M.

AHS National Convention, Valdosta, Georgia
 May 27-29, 2010

Sunday, July 11, 2010
 Daylily Show, Franklin Park Conservatory

Region 2 Summer Meeting, Wadsworth, OH
 Host: Ohio Daylily Society
 July 16-18, 2010

Saturday, August 14, 2010
 Daylily Sale 10:00 A.M. to noon
 Meeting, Auction, and Plant Drawing
 Franklin Park Conservatory, 1:00 P.M.

Sunday, November 7, 2010
 Fall Meeting, Speaker TBA
 Franklin Park Conservatory, 2 P.M.

Sunday, December 5, 2010
 Holiday Dinner, Classroom area

MCDS Membership
 (as of October 14, 2009)

Adults (64.1% AHS): 260
 Youth (100% AHS): 12
 Total Membership (65.2% AHS): ... 272

October 14, 2009 MCDS President's Message

As the days become noticeably shorter, and the temperatures become noticeably cooler, we recognize that another gardening year in Central Ohio is coming to an end. Our outdoor chores are not yet done (we've still got daylilies waiting in pots to find permanent homes in our gardens!) and there will still be (hopefully!) many pleasant days when we will want to be outside. Overall, however, the 2009 season is coming to a close and we'll soon be looking forward to the cycle starting again in 2010.

In a similar fashion, our MCDS "season" is beginning to ramp down. Although we're not done yet – we're still looking forward to the November 8th meeting with special guest speaker Dan Trimmer and the always wonderful Holiday dinner party on December 6th – we recognize that the year is rapidly coming to a close. Just like in our gardens, the ending of one season brings excitement about the potential of the next. Perhaps, like me, you are already looking forward to entertaining guest speakers, exciting plant auctions, and a wonderful flower show in 2010.

My term as your President will end as MCDS transitions to the new year. I have been honored to serve you in this position for the past two years. I want to thank you for your passionate support of MCDS. Our members – you – are what makes us the great club that we are. Cynthia and I will continue to be active in MCDS as we lead the activities associated with the 2012 AHS National Convention. I look forward to working with you on this and other club events.

Charles Lucius

Directions to the MCDS Fall Meeting

The Fall Meeting will be held in the Veridian Room at the Franklin Park Conservatory. This is the same location where we met in February. **The easiest access to that room is from the direct entrance doors on the northwest corner of the Conservatory.** If you have passengers or materials to drop off, drive in the main entrance, turn right, then left onto the drive to the "Bride's Garden" where we will have someone posted at the door to assist you. Drivers can then proceed on to the main parking lot and walk back to the northwest entrance. **You may not park along the driveway.** Otherwise, you will need to go up the east stairs or elevator, through all of the atrium, and back down the west stairs or elevator.

Welcome New MCDS Members (as of October 14, 2009)

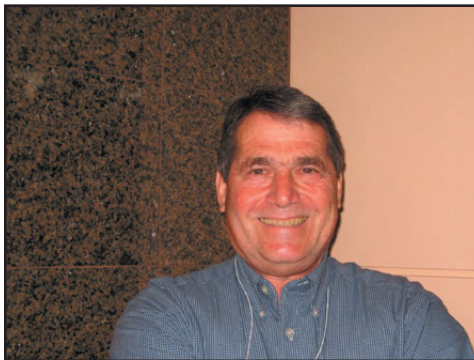
Barbara Cook C. Fannin Phillip & Jeanette Hendrix

Dan Trimmer Guest Speaker for November 8, 2009

Our guest speaker at the fall meeting will be Dan Trimmer from Enterprise, Florida. Originally, Dan and his wife Jane established Water Mill Garden on Long Island, New York. As stress relief from a career in law enforcement, Dan began hybridizing daylilies.

After his retirement, Dan and Jane moved to Florida and now garden on almost all of their one and a half acres, surrounded by a jungle of palms and native Florida foliage and fauna. They have produced almost every form of daylily from small and mini singles and doubles to extra-large Tetraploid unusual forms and spiders in all colors from the subtle to the shocking.

Dan's self-effacing humor and knowledge is captivating. Follow the link on the MCDS website to see and hear Dan describe some of his previous introductions.



At the 2009 Region 2 Winter Meeting in Cincinnati, Dan shared his ideas for hybridizing and growing strong, healthy daylilies.

In May Water Mill Garden was a featured tour garden at the AHS National Convention north of Orlando, Florida.

Both Jane's and Dan's flowers proved their ability to stand up to drenching rains that week.

Shown in the image to the right is the general listings and sales field at Water Mill Garden on May 23, 2009.

The Trimmers also have two other seedling fields and a greenhouse.



All images and article by Karen Ciula.

REGION 2 MID-WINTER SYMPOSIUM

by Sunny Barbee

Everyone is invited to the Region 2 Mid-Winter Symposium this winter. It will be held at the Crown Plaza Hotel in Blue Ash, a northern suburb of Cincinnati, located just off I-71. The symposium will begin on Friday, February 26th, and run through noon Sunday the 28st. J.R. Blanton and Dan Bachman will be the co-chairs.

There will be a hybridizers' forum Friday afternoon, judging clinics, live and silent auctions, a bird house contest, and of course, excellent speakers all weekend!

MCDS member Sunny Barbee will be the Registrar for the 2010 event. Sunny's e-mail address for Symposium information is daylily@datablitz.net. Look for additional information in the January newsletter.

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MCDS Website www.columbusdaylilies.org

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

Improvements are still in progress and we need your garden descriptions and photos! 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. There is also room for individual garden descriptions and photos.

If your other societies or clubs have a website, please publish our MCDS link and we will reciprocate.

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

GIFT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Society has received a letter from Kay Day Pricola, AHS Endowment Funds Chair, thanking us for our \$500 contribution to the William E. Monroe Endowment Trust Fund in 2009. Interest from this fund is used to offset expenses of the AHS.

MCDS is listed as a Gold Donor in *The Daylily Journal*.

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Karen Ciula (see above)

OHIO HYBRIDIZERS' HISTORIC GARDENS UPDATE

Ground was broken recently for the final phase of the daylily gardens at Franklin Park Conservatory in preparation for the 2012 AHS convention. One area will be designated for Ohio daylilies registered from 2010-2012, AHS Honorable Mention and Award of Merit winners from 2009-2011, and guest plants registered from 2010-2012. This area will complete the southeast section along with the 2000's AHS Awards and Stout collections.

Farther west, the first of three beds was started. This bed will contain registered Steve Moldovan daylilies that have AHS Honorable Mention and Award of Merit Awards. Two additional beds will be added in the spring for other Moldovan cultivars. Our collection already includes 94 Moldovan cultivars from 1961-2005. Some are currently planted in the holding area at Steve Williams' garden until spring. More will be thinned and transplanted from the other decade beds.

Several Moldovan drawing plants have been auctioned in the past few years. If you are the lucky owners of any of the following plants and wish to donate at least 1 fan in April, 2010, please contact either Alan Hersh or Karen Ciula. We will also have a complete list of our Moldovan collection as a handout at the next meeting and will welcome any other new donations.

EMPEROR'S NIGHTINGALE	LILLIPUT LANE
FAIRY GODMOTHER	QUEEN OF ANGELS
FAIRY TALE PRINCESS	RON VALENTE
FRANKINCENSE AND MYRRH	ROYAL RENDEZVOUS
HAREM HOUSE	SANCTUARY
LADY KAHN	SANDRA GRACE ROSS
LADY OF LOURDES	SPANISH SAHARA

We wish to thank everyone who has donated time to dig, transplant, and weed our collection this year. The gardens were amazing this year and admired by thousands of visitors.

MIDWEST HYBRIDIZERS' FALL MEETING

Can't wait for the Mid-Winter Symposium to see what's new in Region 2 hybridizing? You do not have to be a pollen dabber or have registered a daylily to enjoy a full day of slides and PowerPoint presentations along with a delicious luncheon buffet, drinks, and a super cookie. You may even stay for pizza after the meeting if you want to extend the fun into the evening.

The group meets on Saturday, November 7th at the Holiday Inn, Dayton/Fairborn I-675, 2800 Presidential Drive, Fairborn, OH 45324 from 8:00 AM until mid-afternoon. Please send your \$30 reservation to Sandy Holmes, 91 East Franklin Street, Bellbrook, OH 45305 no later than Saturday, October 31. Contact Sandy at ohiodaylily@yahoo.com or 937-287-8122 for further information.

KROGER UPDATE

By Bill Johannes

MCDS received a check from Kroger for \$495.97 for this first quarter of operation (May through July 2009). If you shop at Kroger and have not registered your Kroger Plus card yet, please do so as soon as possible. It's simple. Here's how it works:

- Take this page the next time you go shopping at Kroger and hand it to the cashier to scan IN ADDITION to your Kroger Plus Card. Within 72 hours, a percentage of your shopping purchases will begin to be donated to MCDS for special projects. You only have to have the bar code on this paper scanned once to enroll. Of course, you must continue scanning your Kroger Plus Card each time you shop at Kroger for MCDS to get the credit.
- Or you can go to the website, www.krogercommunityrewards.com and follow the instructions to sign up for the program. MCDS's organization number is **82204**.

Please register your Kroger Plus Shopper's Card today.

2009 Region 2 Popularity Poll

by Joyce Hersh

Below is a list of the daylilies voted on by Region 2 AHS members as their most favorite cultivars for the year 2009. The *Hemerocallis* cultivar names are listed in voting placement order with the number of votes indicated. In 2009, 21% (280 ballots) of the 1342 members participated in this poll. With the prescribed ballot, voting took a bit of a turn this year. We started with 98 cultivars and had 561 in the end (last year we had 1217 cultivars, so this saved me from having to do as much typing ☺). A total of 381 cultivars received only one vote and 62 received only two votes. Thus, only 21% of the cultivars received three or more votes. *Hemerocallis* 'Primal Scream' ran away with the vote, receiving 33% of the votes. Joyce Hersh, Regional Publicity Director, tabulated the results showing the top 25 cultivars below:

Voting Place	Name of Cultivar	# of Votes
1	Primal Scream	90
2	Ruby Spider	62
3	All American Chief	57
4	Heavenly Angel Ice	54
5	Webster's Pink Wonder	52
6	Bela Lugosi	50
7	Beautiful Edgings	49
8	Moonlit Masquerade	47
9	Red Volunteer	44
10	South Seas	40
11	Swallow Tail Kite	39
12	Bill Norris	36
13	Moses' Fire	35
14	Holly Dancer	34
	Joan Derifield	34
16	Fooled Me	32
17	Shores of Time	31
18	Condilla	30
	Highland Pinched Fingers	30
	Indian Giver	30
21	Chance Encounter	29
	Strawberry Candy	29
23	Lavender Blue Baby	28
	Siloam Double Classic	28
25	Holiday Party	27

The top 5 voting winners will be featured in the Popularity Poll section of the show next year.

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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
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*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 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.

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



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

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

Officer Elections at the November Meeting

According to our bylaws, the Nominating Committee must present a slate of officers for election at the November meeting. The past-President Karen Ciula chairs that committee. Please contact Karen at kciula@columbus.rr.com or 614-471-3246 if you wish to volunteer to run for an office. Officers will commence duty on January 1, 2010.

CONGRATULATIONS

The 2009 Howard Hite Award of Excellence in Hybridizing will be presented to Jamie Gossard at the November meeting. Previous MCDS members receiving this award are Richard Norris and Dan Bachman.

Minutes of May 2, 2009 Meeting

MCDS President Charles Lucius called the meeting to order at 2pm.

Meeting Minutes

- The February 2009 minutes were approved with no changes.

Ohio Hybridizers' Garden Update

- Two new garden beds are being added to the Ohio Hybridizers' Garden this year which will include 100 new cultivars. Members Steve and Sarah Zolok have contributed the entire Stout Collection. A list of daylilies still needed for the Garden was posted at the meeting and on the website. If you are willing to donate these cultivars, please contact Karen Ciula.

Special Projects Fund

- Bill Johannes re-iterated the changes announced in the April newsletter. Instead of using a Kroger Gift Card, you have to set up your Kroger Plus Card to assign credits to MCDS based on the amount you spend. If you have questions or need help getting set up, please see Bill.
- The money raised through this program will be used for special projects. Any member can nominate a project to the MCDS Executive Committee. If passed by the Committee, membership will vote on the proposal.

Treasurer's Report

- Treasurer Mike Oatney reviewed the current treasury balance.
- The current balance in the Kroger Special Projects Fund is \$3,976.

MCDS Website – www.columbusdaylilies.org

- The website has been updated with 1st 2009 bloom entries, additions to the photo gallery and garden profiles. Please send Jeff and Darlene a brief description of your garden and photos which they will post on the website.

2009 MCDS Show, July 12th – Metamorphosis

- Jeff and Darlene Kerr, 2009 Show Chairs, encouraged everyone to volunteer in some way to support the show. Clipboards were routed for clerks and other positions.

Membership Report

- Sylvia Mellinger reported that MCDS has 266 members with 12 being youth members. 70% are members of AHS.

MCDS Member Sales Policy

- Charles Lucius asked the membership for input on sales at MCDS meetings. The membership voted to limit individual members' ability to sell items at meetings.

President Charles Lucius adjourned the business meeting. The auction began, followed by the guest plant drawing.

Respectfully submitted by Winnie Garabis on 10/12/09.

Minutes of August 15, 2009 Meeting

MCDS President Charles Lucius called the meeting to order at 1pm.

Membership Report

- Sylvia Mellinger reported that MCDS has 270 members with 13 being youth members. 70% are members of AHS.

Treasurer's Report

- Treasurer Mike Oatney reviewed the current treasury balance. The current checkbook balance is \$2,669 which includes \$1,074 encumbered for the Ohio Hybridizers' Garden. The current savings account balance is \$3,113. We also have \$10,398 invested in a CD and another \$5,833 in a CD for the 2012 Convention.
- The current balance in the Kroger Special Projects Fund is \$4,233.

MCDS 2010 Officers

- Karen Ciula, as Immediate Past President, will chair the Nominating Committee. Other members include Charles Lucius, Trish Callis Nicholson, Jeff Kerr and Donna Dietsch.
- All current officers have fulfilled the respective term limits for their current position.

Special Projects Fund

- Bill Johannes reminded the club that instead of using a Kroger Gift Card, you have to set up your Kroger Plus Card to assign credits to MCDS based on the amount you spend. If you have questions or need help getting set up, please see Bill.

President Charles Lucius thanked all of the members for their hard work with special recognition for Gary and Linda Baker, Jeff and Darlene Kerr, and Karen Ciula. The meeting was adjourned. The auction began, followed by the guest plant drawing.

EON INDUSTRIES PLANT MARKERS ARE BACK

Bill Johannes has EON plant markers for MCDS members to purchase at cost. Call Bill at 614-486-7962 or wjohannes@sbcglobal to arrange to pick up your order at the next meeting or at his home in Marble Cliff.

15-inch Plant Marker sets of 25 @ \$9.25

20-inch Plant Marker sets of 25 @ \$10.25

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.

2010 *Eureka Daylily Reference Guides* on Order

To take advantage of the lowest price available, we once again combined orders from the Ohio Daylily Society, the Northeast Ohio Daylily Society, the Greater Cincinnati Daylily and Hosta Society, and MCDS. The guides are on order; however, we may increase our order at the current price up until shipment in early December. If you wish to order a *Eureka*, the price is \$32.00 to pick up or \$36.00 for mailing. We are encouraging members to order at the prepaid mailing cost because the guides may not be delivered in time for the Holiday Dinner date. Please contact Trish Callis Nicholson at 614-759-6592 or trishcallis@hotmail.com today.

**MCDS NOVEMBER 8 MEETING
FRANKLIN PARK CONSERVATORY
2:00 P.M.**

**GUEST SPEAKER:
DAN TRIMMER**

First Class

**MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM
AND HOLIDAY DINNER INVITATION
ENCLOSED**

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