



Metropolitan Columbus Daylily Society

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Dates to Remember in 2011

Saturday, November 5, 2011

Midwest Hybridizers Fall Meeting
Wyndham Garden Dayton South
PowerPoint presentations of 2011
Hybridizing Programs (see article p.2)

Sunday, November 6, 2011

Fall Meeting Speaker: Mick Morry
Avalonia Daylilies, Ontario, Canada
Franklin Park Conservatory, 2 P.M.
Veridian Room (see article p.2)

Sunday, December 4, 2011

Holiday Luncheon, 1:00 to 3:00 P.M.
Conservatory classroom area

Dates to Remember in 2012

Sunday, February 12, 2012

Winter Meeting, 2 P.M.
Veridian Room

Saturday, April 21, 2012

Spring Meeting and Auction

Wednesday through Saturday, July 11-14

AHS National Convention
Mariott Airport Hotel
Columbus, OH

Saturday, August 11, 2012

Sale and Auction

Sunday, November 4, 2012

Fall Meeting, 2 P.M.
Veridian Room

Sunday, December 2, 2012

Holiday Luncheon

President's Message

It seems like only a few days ago that we were searching our daylily beds for the first scapes of spring. Now, as the days grow shorter, we find ourselves scrambling to get all of the fall garden tasks done before the cold weather forces us to stop. It's a little sad to see a growing season end, but it gives us a chance to start making plans for another spring to come. We look back on the plants we enjoyed this year and begin dreaming of beautiful new flowers to add to our collections in the future.

It's been my pleasure and honor to serve as your president for the past 2 years. Many people have put forth a great deal of effort to make MCDS one of the finest daylily clubs anywhere. I've spoken with several members of other groups who are truly impressed with the things we've been able to accomplish. It's important that more members step forward with energy and ideas to help us continue to grow and flourish as an organization.

Reservations are already coming in for our 2012 convention. It's sure to be an exciting event and a tremendous success. We've had a long period of planning and organizing and have received donations of numerous wonderful daylilies for our tour gardens. The garden owners have spent countless hours getting their properties into the best possible condition for all of the folks who will be visiting. Much will need to be done and everyone will be asked to help in some way. Please do what you can.

Steve Williams

Discover Columbus' Passion for Daylilies!
It's now time to make your reservation for our
2012 AHS National Convention
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MCDS Membership
(as of October 1, 2011)

Adults (63.1% AHS): 259
Youth (100% AHS): 10
Total Membership (63.8% AHS): ... 269

Welcome to our New Member

Patricia Santelli

Mick Morry—Guest Speaker for November 6, 2011

If you enjoy an interesting discussion about daylilies, dogs, and drawing, don't miss the November 6 meeting. Mick Morry is our featured guest on Sunday at 2:00 PM. Mick and his mother Lanny Morry operate Avalonia Daylilies and Avalonia Whippets in Manotick, near Ottawa in Ontario, Canada. Mick has done extensive research on hybridizing dormant daylilies that will survive harsh northern climates. He and his mother breed championship whippets. Mick is also a talented artist in many mediums, mainly working in coloured pencil.

Visit their website at www.avaloniadaylilies.com.

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 last fall. **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 and leave your car 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.

Shirley Farmer's Midwest Hybridizer Meeting

The fall meeting of the Shirley Farmer's Midwest Hybridizers will be Saturday, November 5 at Wyndham Garden Dayton South, 31 Prestige Plaza Drive, Miamisburg, OH 45342. This is the same hotel that hosted the spring meeting, but it is under new ownership. The meeting room is open at 8:00 A.M. with the meeting starting at 8:30.

DIRECTIONS TO THE HOTEL: Take I-75 toward Miamisburg. At exit 44, take ramp right for SR-725 toward Miamisburg/Centerville. Turn left if coming from the North or right if coming from the South onto SR-725 East/Miamisburg Centerville. The first road on the right is Prestige Plaza.

The fall meeting showcases hybridizers who share PowerPoint presentations of their favorite new seedlings with the group. Along with the silent auction of daylilies and garden products, there will also be items to trade or sell. If you would like to participate as a vendor or donor, please contact Doug Sterling pleasantvalleyfa@aol.com and set up by 8:00 A.M.

Please send your reservation with a check for \$32 payable to Sandy Holmes along with the number of pictures (if you wish to give a presentation) to Sandy Holmes, 1950 North Regent Park Dr., Bellbrook, OH 45305. Contact ohiodaylily@yahoo.com or 937-287-8122.

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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

Ohio Hybridizers Daylily Garden Update

Check out the new location of the species and early hybrid daylily cultivars on the south side of the Franklin Park Conservatory. The grasses in the round stone garden that previously showcased the collection overgrew them this year. That area was redesigned in October. The daylilies have space to be better appreciated in the new bed.

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Landscaping with Daylilies

A new publication from the AHS will feature ideas for creating beautiful landscapes of daylilies throughout all the regions of the daylily world. Edited by Oliver Billingslea, *Landscaping with Daylilies* is a hardbound, 8 1/2" x 11" coffee table book with 698 color photos submitted from garden owners, including some from MCDS members.

Karen Ciula will be taking Pre-Sale orders at the November meeting for the discounted price of \$34.45 each, including shipping and handling, if we can accumulate an order of at least 10 books to be sent to one address. The sale is only through December 1, 2011 or the first 1000 copies sold.

If you wish to order this new book, please contact kciula@columbus.rr.com now so that we can take advantage of the generous savings. After the Pre-Sale the price will increase to \$45, including shipping and handling.

Eureka Daylily Reference Guide Orders

MCDS has ordered Eureka's for everyone who pre-paid. However, Trish can add to that order until the publisher starts shipping the first production run sometime in early November. After that, she would need to re-order a minimum of 10 copies. To be on the safe side, please contact Trish Callis by **OCTOBER 31** to order the new 2012 Eureka Daylily Reference Guide. The cost is \$39 to have the guide mailed to your home early in December or \$35 to pick it up at the February 12 meeting. **Please mail your check payable to MCDS to:**

Trish Callis, MCDS Eureka Coordinator
3032 Highland Park Drive
Pickerington, OH 43147

Please Register Your Kroger Plus Shopper's Card Today

By Bill Johannes

MCDS received a check from Kroger for \$287.98 for the quarter of operation May through July 2011. This is less than the \$335 received in the first quarter. Only 18 people supported MCDS with their Kroger purchases this past quarter, down from 28 in the first quarter. Either supporters have stopped shopping at Kroger, changed the organization they support with their Kroger purchases, or have not re-enrolled their Kroger Rewards card this year as required.

If you still shop at Kroger and wish to support MCDS with your purchases, visit the website below, click on "Already enrolled? Sign In", log in, then click on "Community Rewards" and follow the prompts. For your purchases to count for MCDS in 2011-2012, you must be registered, have a valid online account at Kroger.com, and choose Metropolitan Columbus Daylily Society as your organization. If you need assistance registering, don't hesitate to contact Bill Johannes at 614-486-7962.

www.krogercommunityrewards.comMCDS's organization number is **82204**.

2012 AHS NATIONAL CONVENTION – TIME TO VOLUNTEER!

Six years ago, when we first committed to host the AHS National Daylily Convention, one of our primary objectives was to showcase to the rest of the daylily world our wonderful club. There are many beautiful daylily gardens throughout the country, countless hotels capable of facilitating a convention for hundreds of visitors, and lots of interesting venues in nearly all of the States – but only one MCDS!

As we indicated at a recent club meeting, you may have attended Conventions elsewhere, and you may be able to attend Conventions in the future. Next year, however, may offer a unique opportunity for you to actually be involved in the exciting “behind-the-scenes” action. This is your chance to join many club members who have been working with us during these past six years, and to help our guests discover the fantastic club that we are.

Many areas still require additional volunteers. Specific activities, along with the appropriate committee chairs, are listed below. If you are able and willing to help, please contact the chair by December 1st of this year.

- Plant Sale (digging, washing, tagging plants for the boutique sale; manning the sales table Thursday, Friday and Saturday of the Convention) – Mike Oatney (740-746-8337)
- Hotel and Banquet Table Decorations – Cynthia Lucius (614-851-0334)
- Gift Plant Preparation (may include plant pick-up, washing and tagging) – Charles Lucius (614-851-0334)
- Tour Garden Assistance (immediately before Convention; during Friday and Saturday tours; Friday afternoon/evening after tour) – Sandra Lepard (740-382-1897)
- Bus Plants (digging, washing and tagging) – Steve Williams (740-756-7230)

Volunteering is a great way to be a part of what is sure to be a positive and memorable experience. Please join us in this once-in-a-lifetime experience!

Charles and Cynthia Lucius,
Convention Co-chairs

EON INDUSTRIES PLANT MARKERS

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 @ \$10.50

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.

Metropolitan Columbus Daylily Society Minutes for the Meeting April 23, 2011

Steve Williams, MCDS President, called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m. The minutes from the February 13 meeting were approved.

Announcements:

Volunteers are needed for the following activities:

1. Ohio Hybridizers Historic Gardens –Members were encouraged to “adopt a garden” this summer and schedule work on their own timing. Contact Karen Ciula.
2. Plant Sale -- MCDS needs a new Plant Sale Manager. Contact Steve Williams.
3. Cookies – MCDS needs a cookie chair to organize treats for the meetings. Contact Steve Williams.
4. Daylily Show – Kim Hensley, 2011 chair, needs volunteers to help on the committees, as well as serve as chairs of some committees.
5. AHS 2012 Convention in Columbus – Charles Lucius shared that there are opportunities to help with the convention implementation.

Bill Johannes reminded members to re-register their Kroger Card by May 1, in order for MCDS to continue receiving reward dollars.

Winnie Garabis is the new Region 2 newsletter editor.

Bus Trip to SE Ohio Members’ Gardens is June 26. Cost is \$35 per person. Deadline for registration is June 4.

MCDS approved using \$2,500 from the Kroger money to build six benches for the Ohio Hybridizers Historic Gardens.

Region 2 Meeting – Ohio Daylily Society is sponsoring bus transportation to the meeting July 15-17 in Troy Michigan. Karen Ciula has more information.

Membership Report: Sylvia Mellinger provided updates on membership: 237 adult members and 7 youth for a total of 244 members; 72.4% of MCDS members are AHS members.

Treasurer’s Report: Patty Hitt reviewed current accounts.

Presentation: Charles Dorsey walked members through the new AHS Portal with a demonstration.

Steve Williams closed the meeting at 1:52 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by: Darlene Kerr

Metropolitan Columbus Daylily Society Minutes for the Meeting August 12, 2011

Steve Williams, MCDS President, called a brief meeting to order after the sale and before our auction and drawing began. He thanked Gary Baker for his “last hurrah” as the manager of our public sale after years of service.

Announcements:

Karen Ciula passed out Popularity Poll forms and encouraged everyone to vote.

Trish Callis Nicholson is taking orders for 2012 Eureka Daylily Reference Guide.

Patty Hitt, Treasurer, noted a preliminary estimate of sales from the morning public sale was \$3500.

Membership Report: Sylvia Mellinger noted that we had 3 new members join the club at the sale and several other people took membership applications.

New Business: Charles Lucius offered a slate of members who have agreed to serve as the Nominating Committee this year: Kim Hensley, Jeff Kerr, Trish Nicholson, Cynthia Lucius and Bill and Gail Johannes. The slate was accepted by vote.

Respectfully submitted by Jennifer Kuehn, Secretary

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Sunday, November 6, 2011

Speaker: Mick Morry from Avalonia Daylilies

2:00 P.M.

Franklin Park Conservatory, Veridian Room

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