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### *Call for Auction Plants*

For the AHS Region 12 Fall Meeting  
September 25, 2003



It's that time of year again! Region 12's Fall Meeting September 25, 2004 sponsored by the Central Florida Daylily Society. Guess what I need before that meeting? Yes, that's right, **AUCTIONPLANTS!**

I will put together a PowerPoint presentation, and hope to have a new and better digital projector. Please email or mail me the names of the plants you are going to donate. A digital photograph via email or photo by mail would save me hours of work surfing the Internet for what usually result in low resolution, inferior photos.

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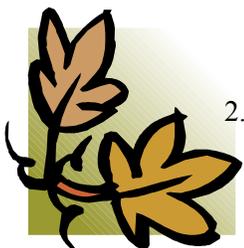
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The deadline is **Friday, September 17<sup>th</sup>**. This will allow enough time to put the presentation together and have a list of the Auction plants to be distributed to the attendees at the meeting.

Preferred methods of plant donation:

1. Bring labeled plants to the hotel registration desk. Call or email the names of the plants by the deadline. A digital photograph via email or a link to a website would be very helpful. Photos by mail work too.
2. Send a postcard or email of the plants to be donated but shipped later, by the deadline. A digital photograph via email or a link to a website would be very helpful. Photos by mail work as well.



# RVP's Message

Joe Agosta, Tallahassee, FL



Another good bloom season is history, but the memories live on. The Spring Regional in Lake City was all it was billed to be... excellent gardens, great food and wonderful fellowship. Did I mention the homemade ice cream and boiled peanuts? What a treat! The

Suwannee Valley Hemerocallis Society put together another fun weekend. In addition to the festivities the regional auction was very well supported. My thanks to the SVHS and all who participated.

At the regional business meeting we approved the new by-laws for Region 12 as printed in the spring newsletter and without amendment. We are now in compliance with the AHS By-Laws, and have also clarified regional officer responsibilities and procedures. David Kirchoff was announced as the winner in the balloting for Region 12 Director. David will assume these duties beginning with the new year. I would be remiss not to once again thank Reba Ridaught for serving as our Director for the last three years.

Two new AHS display gardens are now recognized: Anderson/Alford Garden in Osteen and Scapegrace Gardens in Deland. These garden owners have worked hard to achieve display garden status. If possible, please plan to visit their gardens next year.

At the request of the AHS, I have appointed a Scientific Liaison for Region 12, Patrick Stamile. Pat will be your conduit to work-related issues with the AHS. Thank you, Pat, for serving in this important position.

The AHS National Convention in St. Louis was well attended and well done. Sharon and I enjoyed seeing many old friends and making new ones. The tour gardens did an excellent job of presenting our favorite perennial and a host of other plant material including many hosta. The awards banquet reiterated the excellent work being done by our Florida hybridizers with many awards being bestowed upon Region 12 cultivars. The highlight of the evening was our own Jeff Salter, winner of the 2003 Bertrand Farr award, paying tribute and presenting the award to the 2004 winner, Ed Brown of Jacksonville. Congratulations to

all the award winners.

At the meeting in St. Louis the AHS Board referred back to committee the Region 12 request to revise the Ophelia Taylor Award. This request should be acted upon at the fall meeting. The board also approved the petition of the Sunbelt Daylily Chapter to host the National Convention in 2009. The Sunbelt club is already working hard to provide an excellent convention. National conventions require a lot of work, so if you can pitch in to help the Sunbelt club please let them know.

To our Region 12 members that are new to the Society I encourage you to attend a daylily club meeting. A list of the Florida clubs is found in this newsletter. Growing and enjoying daylilies is immensely enhanced when coupled with the fellowship of daylily friends and their activities. Additional information is found on the Region 12 website, [www.ahsregion12.org](http://www.ahsregion12.org).

Our fall meeting will again be in Winter Park the last weekend in September. Details are found elsewhere in this newsletter. I hope to see you there.

Happy gardening,  
Joe Agosta

## 2004 AHS Region 12 Budget

### Expenditures

Newsletter & RPD Expenses	\$2,900
Director's Expenses	\$1,000
RVP Expenses	\$150
Web Site	\$600
Awards	\$250
Youth Award	\$500
AHS Insurance	\$150
W. E. Monroe Endowment Fund Trust	\$500
Contingency	\$300
Total	\$6,350

### Receipts

Interest on Accounts	\$100
Plant Sales	\$4,300
Plant Sales (Youth Fund)	\$600
Club Donations	\$900
AHS Mailing Allowance	\$450
Total	\$6,350

## *RPD/Editor's Message*

Virginia Gregory, Orlando, FL



It seems every bloom season brings something new and different from the last. And this year was no exception. In addition to all the seedlings blooming for the first time (and a couple actually didn't bark!), this year CJ and I were honored to serve as Jr. Exhibition Judges at the BADS and NFDS shows. Both

were very exciting and educational experiences which have changed the way we look at daylilies!

This year also marks our first as Garden Judges. What a wonderful feeling to be part of the process for determining some of the AHS' top awards. Did you know that the number of Exhibition and Garden Judges is a percent of a region's membership? Region 12 still has openings for

both, so if you are interested in getting involved in either capacity, please contact the regional liaisons listed inside the front cover of this newsletter.

Another way you can get involved is picking daylily winners is to vote the Popularity Poll. A ballot and details are located on the first page of the Summer issue of the *Daylily Journal*. You can use the ballot provided, scribble your ten choices on a scrap of paper or email me at [cvgregory@mpinet.net](mailto:cvgregory@mpinet.net) with your votes. Last year less than 17% of our members voted. Let's try to do better this year!

Thanks again to all of you who contributed articles and photographs for this issue of the Region 12 Newsletter! I'm sure that they will be enjoyed by all.

Warmest regards,  
Virginia



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## *Director's Message*

Reba Ridaught, Alachua, FL



The AHS Annual Convention and Board of Directors meeting were hosted by the Greater St. Louis Daylily Society in St. Louis, MO, July 1-3, 2004. The event was very successful. The gardens were at their peak bloom and beautiful! The Convention Planning Committee members, chaired by John Eiseman, are to be

commended for their excellent work.

Maurice Green, incoming AHS President, chaired his first meeting. Please read the minutes in the fall issue of the *Daylily Journal*. Of special note to Region 12 was the Exhibition Judge's Committee Report. Region 12 has 52 Exhibition Judges. This is down from 56 in May 2003. There are 18 available slots for Garden Judges in Region 12. Many judges are requesting honorary status. New judges are needed. For more information visit <http://www.daylilies.org>.

The Spring Regional meeting in Lake City was a great success. There were 110 daylily enthusiasts who participated. The homemade ice cream and boiled peanuts were delightful at the Friday night picnic at the Houston's pool house. All four tour gardens were beautifully groomed and eager to welcome Region 12 members. Eddy Scott

was the auctioneer at the slide-show/auction. The Region made some money and the members got great deals on the plants. A special thank you to those folks who donated plants for the auction.

I also want to thank the nine hybridizers who sent entries for the first Bill Munson Hybridizer's award. There were 26 entries. Our garden hosted the bed and we enjoyed the beautiful blooms over the entire bloom period. On the day of judging almost all of the entries were in bloom. John Kinnebrew's entry was the winner for this year. Next year Dan Hansen's garden will host the Bill Munson Hybridizer's Award bed.

At the Region 12 business meeting members voted to recommend making the Ophelia Taylor Horticulture Award available at any accredited AHS daylily show. This was taken to the AHS Board of Director and is now in committee pending action at the fall meeting.

The fall AHS Board Meeting will be my last service as your representative. I have enjoyed the three years and now welcome David Kirchhoff to the position.

Happy Gardening!  
Reba



## *Bill Munson Hybridizer's Award*

### NOTICE TO ALL REGION 12 HYBRIDIZERS

A special bed will be provided at each Spring Regional for the competition for the Bill Munson Hybridizer's Award. All Florida hybridizers are encouraged to send up to five unregistered or registered but not introduced daylilies for the competition. The following hosts will provide a bed at their homes for this event. Please contact the garden hosts prior to delivery of any plants for this purpose and plan to send plants early so they have an opportunity to clump up before the Regional Meeting.

The Spring Regional **2005** will be hosted by the Sunbelt Daylily Chapter  
Garden Host:

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**AHS Region 12 Fall Meeting**  
*Hosted by*  
**Central Florida Daylily Society**

**Schedule of Events**

Friday, September 24<sup>th</sup>

7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Welcome Social with Refreshments and a Silent Auction

Saturday, September 25<sup>th</sup>

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Continental Breakfast

8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Registration / Boutique / Silent Auction

12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Luncheon

1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Region 12 Business Meeting – Joe Agosts, RVP, presiding

**Guest Speaker:** Frank Smith of Frank Smith Daylilies will present “The New Face of Daylilies”

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Plant Auction – David Kirchhoff

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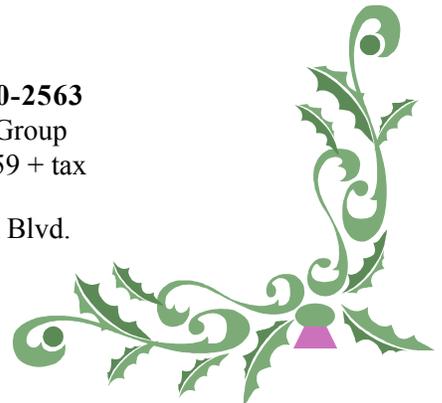
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# *My Days with Daylilies*

Tom Wilson, Gonzalez, FL and Friends

The first encounter I had with daylilies was when my dad's sister bought a few fans of some daylily seedlings as a gift for my grandmother. When they bloomed I was drawn to the vivid colors and unusual flowers. As a child growing up I lived next door to my grandparents and my grandfather was well known in the neighborhood for growing the most showy shrubs and flowers available at the time. I give my grandfather credit for teaching me about rooting, diving, soil preparation and the general love of growing plants.

I bought my home in 1978 and there was bed of daylilies in the front of the house. About a month after I had moved in the daylilies started to bloom. This was an eye opening event. Large flowers in colors of yellow, pink, purple and red. I liked them so well that I searched local garden shops for more plant to no avail.

Two years later I accidentally walked up on a daylily shown in one of our local malls. This is where I discovered that daylilies came in many sizes and shapes and they even had names. I met Jack Temple and Lena Chavers that day and made arrangements to visit Lena at her commercial garden in Pensacola. She had a printed list of what was for sale and as I walked her garden and saw a flower that I liked I would check the list to see the price. If it was in the \$2.00 to \$3.00 range I would usually tell her to dig that one. I went back week after week during the bloom season and before I knew it I had paid \$25.00 for a plant of LENA CHAVERS hybridized by Jack Temple. Lena suggested that I visit Jack and after that visit I was hooked on daylilies.

In 1983 I made a trip to Flomaton, Alabama to the garden of Dan and Codie Wedgeworth. Here I learned what hybridizing was all about and went back many times to purchase plants and just marvel at their seedlings. I became close friend with Dan and Codie and traveled with them to National in Orlando in 1984. The garden that sticks in my mind is Daylily World with all of it's double daylilies. The next year I went on a trip to Louisiana with Dan and Codie to the Crochet, Gates and Spalding gardens. From there my obsession with daylilies was unstoppable. Elsie Spalding took a liking to me and during one of my talks with her I received some of the best advice on hybridizing I can

remember. When I asked her how she came up with so many beautiful seedlings she just said "Honey, I just put pretty on pretty." I followed that advice for 20 years and it worked!



CODIE WEDGEWORTH

The next year Dan and Codie took me to visit Charlie Piece in Mobile, Alabama. He was very generous with his knowledge. He taught me such things as hybridizing with a rolled back form to make seedlings from a flat form open better. He told me that one of the best

places to look for names for your seedlings was at the cosmetic counter of the local department stores. He got the name for FAIRY TALE PINK from a tube of lipstick.

Another thing that Charlie taught me was substance and form. This bit of information I never forgot and I thought of it often while in the seedling patch evaluating my seedlings. Looking back I'm proud of my introductions for having good substance and form. Most of them are just as pretty at 6:00 PM as they were at 6:00 AM. Charlie gave me a plant of BEVERLY ANN, a daylily that he registered for introduction, but he never introduced it because it did not open consistently every day. This turned out to be important information and would be good advice for new hybridizers today.

Daylilies made my life better and over the years I have made some of the closest friends from daylily contacts and these friends have helped sustain me as my health has deteriorated the past few years to the point I can no longer hybridize. I have asked some of these friends to contribute to this article and their comments are expressed below.

**Tom Howard**  
Van Buren, Arkansas

On my first visit to Tom Wilson's in 1986 I marveled at the pristine beauty and flawless form of the ever lovely CODIE WEDGEWORTH – the first of his 51 introductions. Since that time a trip has been made to

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Pensacola nearly every year to see the results of his hybridizing efforts. The full form, depth and clarity of color, and the beautiful symmetry achieved in his seedlings was remarkable. It was clear to me he was adding new dimensions to the work of the late Charlie Pierce in whose footsteps he was to follow.

Fortunate to have been able to observe the unerring evaluation of his annual crop of seedlings I have been ever more fortunate that 32 of his introductions have graced my garden. Tow years after his initial introduction I purchased his second one – MAGIC LACE, a pastel creamy pink with a lacy edge. It was to become one of the four runners-up for the Stout Medal in 1997 and 1999. Certain of their merit, other of his cultivars were anxiously acquired each year afterward.



EMERALD SPLENDOR  
(tet conversion)

My garden is much too small to accommodate all Wilson daylilies collected but most admired of those that have gone and those that remain are: SABRA SALINA, an excellent performing full and ruffled medium pink; EMERALD SPLENDOR, distinguished, impeccably formed bright yellow with

greenish cast; THELMA ELAINE, the elegant and stunning pink self which Pauline Henry considered Tom's best; SOPHIA'S LIPS, an appealing creamy pink with rosy red eye with great form; the aptly named ULTIMATE PERFECTION, a striking ivory pink blend flawlessly formed; bold and beautiful ANGEL RODGERS, a lavish, very showy lavender with dark purple eye; exquisite LINDA AGIN, a very special cream flushed pink with porcelain-like substance; stunningly beautiful ROY O'DELL, a clear pink self, full and gracefully ruffled; LAVENDER SWIRL, a very stylish and charming lavender blend with flouncy ruffling and great form; and CONNIE BURTON, an extravagantly ruffled coral pink blend best described as dazzling.

Since for health reasons he has disposed of his main garden he only hybridized on a limited basis. Tom still

grows most of what he considers his best introductions and a few introductions from friends that he thinks are special. I, like many others, will miss Tom's wonderful contributions to the world of daylilies.

**Jack Carpenter**  
Center, Texas

With so many regions for hybridizer's to live in it seems that Region 12 has been blessed with more than their fair share. You could mention more hybridizers in Region 12 than the fingers on your hands very quickly and have only begun to mention all of them. All of these people have had a great influence on many of us throughout the U.S. and the world.

One of those fine hybridizers over these many years is Tom Wilson. Tom has had an influence on us not only by the outstanding work in bringing to us new and improved diploids, but by his kind and gentle spirited personality and eagerness to share his daylilies with everyone. He has influenced the daylily programs of so many over the years and his diploids provided the genetics that were eagerly sought after by those doing diploid hybridization. Tom's contributions; however, did not stop with the work in diploids, because many tetraploid hybridizers saw in Tom's diploids great potential for tetraploid improvement.



CONNIE BURTON

With the use of many of Tom's diploids came other new diploids of great merit. It did not take long before some of Tom's super dips became conversion material for moving those genetics into the tetraploid field. Some conversions of Tom's

things include: CONNIE BURTON, JAMES McCASKILL, LINGA AGIN, PAINTED ROSE and ULTIMATE PERFECTION.

Those of us who have known Tom over the span of these many years have felt the same changes that mother time makes upon all of us as we grow older. Things may be more difficult for use and our pace slower, but it does not change our love for the daylilies

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and that wonderful spirit of sharing the love we have for daylilies with others. Tom Wilson has always been this kind of person. Through his enthusiasm and sharing of his creations with all of us the world of daylilies has been blessed immeasurably. While Tom finds it no longer possible to continue the work in daylilies on the scale he once did, nevertheless, he hopes to continue his hybridizing on a limited scale. One thing is certain – all of us will continue to enjoy the beauty of Tom’s creations and the genetics of those creations in the flowers appearing in our gardens.

### **Aaron B. Holliman**

Gordo, Alabama



Aaron Holliman with his seeding out of EMERALD D SPLENDOR

My name is Aaron Holliman and I am eleven years old. Six years ago my mother introduced me to Mr. Tom Wilson. I didn’t figure out that he was famous until nearly three years later. When I figured out that he was a famous daylily hybridizer, I was thinking “My stars! This man’s famous, and he’s talking to me!”

My original inspiration to hybridize a daylily was to name one

“Greensleeves.” (Unfortunately, that name has already been used.) Mr. Tom recommended some parents for my seedlings. I used the flowers he recommended and got a nice batch of seedlings.

Mr. Tom inspired me to hybridize daylilies by being who he is. I wanted to be like him ever since I knew him. Mr. Tom has continued to give me good advice and be a good friend. Some day I hope that my hybrids are as famous and as beautiful as his. I hope. That’s a pretty big hope.

### **Oliver Billingslea**

Montgomery, Alabama

During the past fourteen years, Tom Wilson has had

nineteen of his cultivars win an Honorable Mention (HM) from the American Hemerocallis Society, and three of these have gone on to win the prestigious Award of Merit (AM). This is remarkable, since Tom has always been a small back-yard hybridizer and has not enjoyed the large distribution typical of most Florida growers. Instead of producing 50,000 seedlings annually, he has produced a few hundred; instead of offering 200 plants of a cultivar for sale, he has offered a few dozen. This speaks well for the quality of the cultivars he has to offer.

In 1989 he won his first HM for the cultivar CODIE WEDGEWORTH, through which he continued the Charlie Pierce line of pink breeding. In 1992, he won an HM for MAGIC LACE, which further perfected the Pierce form in respect to pastels. A third cultivar notable for its sun-resistant, shell-like substance, the salmon pink SABRA SALINA, won Tom an HM in 1996. All three of these received enough distribution nationally to win an Award of Merit in ’92, ’95, and ’99 respectively, and all are widely grown today. Today, MAGIC LACE remains a worthy candidate for the Lenington All-American Award. Both MAGIC LACE and SABRA SALINA have been candidates for the Stout Medal.



LINDA AGIN

Although Tom is well known for his pinks and other pastels (when people speak of Wilson cultivars on the internet, it is generally the pinks they praise), the magnificent EMERALD SPLENDOR, which won Tom an HM in 1997, is still one of the finest yellow-green diploids in commerce.

Possessing a beautiful, full, flat form, it is wide-open at daylight, and is a strong grower. Twice it was a runner-up for the AM.

His full-formed eyed varieties, such as ANGEL RODGERS, EDNA SHAW, and SOPHIA’S LIPS, have also won HMs. But perhaps one of his most notable achievements, using the heavily ruffled breed-

## *My Days with Daylilies, continued*

ing developed by Ed Brown was Tom's introduction of ULTIMATE PERFECTION. In tet form, ULTIMATE PERFECTION was to become one of the most significant cultivars used by Larry Grace in his breeding program. It won a much deserved HM in 2001.

Several of Tom's diploids have been successfully converted to tets. Dan Trimmer has used EDNA SHAW and CONNIE BURTON in his program, and in addition to ULTIMATE PERFECTION, Larry Grace has used PAINTED ROSE and LINDA AGIN. Personally, one of the best tetraploids I had bloom in 2002 was from a cross of Stamile's TREASURE OF LOVE x Tom's PAINTED ROSE. Tet hybridizers owe much to the work of breeders like Tom Wilson in respect to the quantum leaps many of them have made in their own programs.

Among Tom's 19 winners of the Honorable Mention, three of his newest pinks, PAINTED ROSE, CONNIE BURTON, and LINDA AGIN, rank highly. In respect to tet hybridizing, what PAINTED ROSE does for color clarity, CONNIE BURTON does for ruffles, and LINDA AGIN does for sheer beauty of form. PAINTED ROSE won an HM in 2001, the other two in 2002.

### **Barbara Kirby**

Warner Robbins, Georgia

There's a quote used to describe the talents of one of my favorite singers that goes "he's a song's best friend." I view the talents of Tom Wilson as "a daylily's best friend." What began with letters asking Tom to play Santa to my Dad at Christmas with selected daylilies, evolved into a friendship filled with admiration and respect for a humble man with high ideals.

Tom is always willing to share his wealth of knowledge and expertise with anyone who asks. Now, you may not like the advice but it's given freely, frankly and without frills. His honesty as well as subtle humor is evident even when responding to the most mundane question such as "how can you get so many good things out of such a small space and few seedlings?" In that soft, slow, southern drawl he tells me: "You don't need to pollinate everything in your garden."

It has become the highlight of my TDY trips to stop by and see Tom, and check out his latest interests such as the many camellias and dwarf rabbits. Tom, I feel honored to be called your friend and join others in saying a special thank you for sharing the legacy of those beautiful and sinfully sultry diploids.

### **Larry and Cindy Grace**

Alabama



JAMES MCCASKILL

When I think of Tom Wilson's daylilies I think of substance such as the flower LINDA AGIN. LINDA AGIN looks like it has been carved out of marble. Many of my other favorites are PAINTED ROSE, CONNIE BURTON, ULTIMATE PERFEC-

TION, JAMES McCASKILL, GLORIOUS PINK MORNING just to name a few.

And to top it off for someone to grow such a small amount of seedlings and produce the quality of these lilies is unbelievable. Now some are being converted to tets and its changing the world of daylilies by leaps and bounds.

### **Nell Keown**

Mobile, Alabama

Fall and spring was always a special time of the year for me because it meant trips to Tom's to see his beautiful seedlings and lots of the latest lilies from all of the different hybridizers.

I don't think I would have the interest and love for daylilies that I have today had it not been for his generosity. From the many seedlings we grew over the years, from pollen he shared with us we registered one in 2000 that we're proud of named JOHNNY'S PRIDE from pollen from his CONNIE BURTON.

I've enjoyed many hours watching tapes that he let me have. Because of the beauty and popularity of his lilies I'm sure they'll be around for many years.



# Spring Regional Activities

Diana Culver, Tallahassee, FL

Region 12 activities began with a Friday afternoon picnic at the beautiful Countryside Gardens of Ottis and Mary Ann Houston.

A great turn-out enjoyed the beautiful gardens and then migrated to the pool area where the ‘real’ fun began – boiled peanuts and assorted flavors of home-made ice cream. Then there was a down-home barbeque with all the trimmings. The evening ended with a very successful silent auction and regular auction with Eddy Scott as auctioneer.

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Let the Tour Begin! Bright and early the next morning, we all boarded buses for a fabulous day of touring. First stop, the gardens of Eddy and Cindy Scott. The blooms were definitely at their peak and what an early morning treat. Tour visitors were also greeted with a delicious breakfast served by the hosts. We were further treated to the feeding of the koi in the two scenic ponds as the peacocks voiced their approval.



Photo: CJ Gregory

Windmill and pond at Eddy and Cindy Scott's garden



Photo: Joe Agosta

Stream and daylily beds at Reba and Jerome Ridaught's garden

Our second stop was at the equally beautiful gardens of the Ridaughts.

Although it was getting plenty warm, exquisite blooms awaited us in the beautiful landscaped gardens. Once we made our way back toward the house, we were greeted with cool drinks and fruit in a shady setting and enjoyed one of Jerome's beautiful award-winning floral arrangements. As we left we were able to cast a vote for the Munson Hybridizer's Award.

From the Ridaught's we were driven to lunch at the ‘Mulberry Landing’ restaurant in down-town Alachua. We all enjoyed a wonderful southern buffet with all the trimmings.

Our third stop was at the cool and quaint setting of Jerry and Madeline Nettle's garden. We enjoyed many beautiful blooms and interesting yard-art. There we also enjoyed refreshments of cold drinks and more boiled peanuts.

Our fourth and final stop was back at the Houston's gardens. We were treated to another ‘daylily wonderland’ of blooms and companion plants.



Photo: Henry Matutino

Elaine Alito is welcomed by Ottis Houston to his garden

From here a tired but enthusiastic group retired to the hotel for another silent auction and to prepare for the banquet.

The Crochet's of Louisiana were our featured speakers with a very entertaining program. A brief business meeting was held, followed by a very successful auction held by our chief auctioneer – Eddy Scott.

A lot of ‘good-byes and seeing you at the Fall Regional’ were heard as the crowd of daylilies and members dispersed into the night.



Photo: Henry Matutino

Jerry Nettles talks with Rose Mary Dixon in his garden



## *New Youth Members are Winners!*

You might remember seeing Savannah and Sydney's names in the Welcome New Members section of the Spring issue. We decided to see what they have been up to and found they have been taking home purple ribbons!

Hi,

My sister Savannah France won the Best Youth award in 2004 with DAGGY (Joiner 1993, yellow with a dark red eye, flower is 3.5"). We both entered the Tallahassee daylily show.



Photo: Scott France

Savannah France with DAGGY

We both have flower beds at our grandma's house (Opal Howell). It's the first of July and she has lots of reblooms in her garden. Savannah's favorite flower is CARIBBEAN LITTLE JESSIE. It is lavender and it has great branching and bud count. Some more of the reblooms are MISTER LUCKY, ROOSTER, and DAGGY.



Photo: Scott France

Savannah and Heather France

Savannah is 5 and is going to kindergarten at Gilchirst Elementry School. We both are members of AHS and the Tallahassee club. We both share our flowers and plants with our teachers.

By Heather  
8 years

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My name is Sydney Harrison. I live in Winter Garden Florida. I just started third grade. I am a member of the Central Florida Daylily Society and the A.H.S.

In the 2004 Central Florida Daylily Society Spring Show I won two purple ribbons. I won the Regional Popularity Poll with PEARL HARBOR, and the Youth Registered Cultivar Division with FIN & FEATHERS.



Photo: Henry Matutino

Sydney Harrison shows off her Best Youth and Best Popularity Poll ribbons

My Dad got me started in collecting and taking care of daylilies. Now I have my own flower bed. I love growing and showing my daylilies.



FIN AND FEATHERS



PEARL HARBOR

Photos: CJ Gregory

## 2004 Bertrand Farr Silver Medal: Ed Brown

David Kirchhoff, Sanford, FL

One of the highlights at the 2004 AHS National Convention in St Louis, MO, was the awarding of the Bertrand Farr Silver Medal. This is the most prestigious award a hybridizer can win. It recognizes a lifetime of excellence in hybridizing. When AHS Awards and Honors Chairman, Rich Rosen announced the name of the winner, Ed Brown, more than six hundred conventioners gave him a prolonged standing ovation.



Photo: Joe Agosta

Ed and Janice Brown at the 2004 National Convention with a clump of JANICE BROWN

Camellias were possibly the first plant Ed grew hybridized. In the early 1970's, he wandered into a local mall where the Jacksonville Hemerocallis Society was holding one of its very first accredited daylily shows. Ed was amazed at the beautiful array of colors and mesmerized by the flower. Ed began asking questions and seeking answers. He made contact with Merle Kent and Ed Kirchhoff in central Florida and the three of them made the first of many trips to south Louisiana where they ob-

served the work of Elsie Spalding, Lucille Guidry and other Louisiana hybridizers.

As a breeder of homing pigeons and camellias, Ed has keen interest in genetics. Soon, Ed studied daylily genetics and breeding techniques. He planned his crosses. His primary focus in bloom characteristic is form and substance. Additionally, Ed focuses on strong, vigorous plants with branching and bud-count. Ed's thought was that if he could develop the best of these characteristics, God would provide beautiful colors.



Photo: Joe Agosta

JANICE BROWN

Ed's careful planning has resulted in many prestigious AHS Awards, including Honorable Mention, Award of Merit, and the most coveted award of all, the Stout Medal for JANICE BROWN, in 1994. Other hybridizers have converted a number of his fine diploid

cultivars for extensive use in their tetraploid hybridizing programs.

The unforgettable, beautiful Corner Oaks Garden in Jacksonville, Florida, was opened in 1983 where Ed shared his extensive knowledge of daylilies both with friends and strangers. Although Corner Oaks is no longer open, Ed is hybridizing, planning and dreaming.



## Region 12 has Five More Exhibition Judges

Donna Warlick, Tallahassee, FL

Region 12 is fortunate to add five new judges to the list of Accredited Exhibition Judges. Congratulations to Elaine Alito, Kenneth City; Jill Mercer, Havana; Robert Massel, Barefoot Bay; C. J. Gregory, Orlando; and Virginia Gregory, Orlando. They are looking forward to judging in our shows next spring.

At the Spring Regional in Lake City this past May, we

had two people participate (for credit) in the Exhibition Judges Clinics. We always seem to need more judges for our shows and members are encouraged to attend the clinics. A clinic may be audited if a member wants to learn more about the clinics. A person must have been a member of AHS for two years before taking Clinic I for credit.

# *Minutes of the Region 12 Spring Business Meeting*

Linda Sample, Tampa, FL

The spring meeting of AHS Region 12 was called to order at the Holiday Inn in Lake City, FL by RVP Joe Agosta. Thanks were extended to our hosts, the Suwannee Valley Hemerocallis Society and Ottis Houston for a well planned and very well attended meeting. Registrants from most of the Florida clubs plus some from outside Region 12 numbered more than 100. Past RVPs, AHS Directors, and the present Region 12 Director Reba Ridaught were recognized. Also, Garden Judges Liaison, David Kirchhoff and Region 8 Director, Ottis Houston were recognized along with the current Region 12 Officers.

Treasurer Opal Howell then reported a combined balance of \$13,461.48 in the treasury. She also noted that \$1,177.00 was received from the Silent Auction for the benefit of the Collier Brown Youth Award.

Joe Agosta urged all regional clubs that haven't yet to initiate their own website. This is especially important with the recent knowledge that our regional membership of 416 is down by 74 members.

The Anderson-Alford Daylily Garden of Dennis Anderson and Joe Alford in New Smyrna Beach, FL was welcomed as the newest AHS Display Garden in our state.

Hybridizers were reminded to submit entries for the Bill Munson Hybridizer's bed to the Sunbelt club for the 2005 Spring Regional. Other regional meeting dates are:

Sept. 25, 2004 Fall Regional in Orlando hosted by the Central Florida Daylily Society

May 12, 13, 14, 2006 Spring Regional in the Tampa area hosted by BADS

Region 12 nominating committee chair Margaret Tucker announced the unanimous election by mailed ballots of David Kirchhoff as our new Regional Director.

Dan Stateler, Youth Liaison, reported the absence of applications for this year's Collier Brown Youth Award.

He reminded any interested that young people may win more than once as long as they meet the age requirement.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the new Region 12 By-Laws recently published in the newsletter. The motion was passed unanimously. Thanks were extended to Bill and Jean Norris for their help with formation of the By-Laws.

Results of the vote for the best seedling clump in the Bill Munson Hybridizer's bed were announced. The winner, John Kinnebrew, received a check for \$125.

A motion to approve the proposed 2004 budget as submitted and discussed in the meeting was approved by unanimous vote.

Members were reminded by RVP Agosta of the background of the AHS Ophelia Taylor Award. Slides were shown of Mrs. Bright Taylor who was AHS member #6, our first Regional Supervisor and Regional Director for two terms. Highlights of her interest in and contributions to daylilies and the region were reviewed including the establishment of the award offered in Region 12 shows and also shows in conjunction with national or regional meetings. A motion, as amended, was made and passed unanimously to recommend that the AHS Board of Directors allow the Ophelia Taylor Horticultural Award to be offered at any accredited AHS flower show. Region 12 will continue to fund the award. Reba Ridaught, our present Director, will present the proposal to the board at the next AHS meeting. The Ophelia Taylor Horticultural Award is given to an entry of five scapes of registered cultivars or seedlings, each scoring at least 95 points.

Ottis Houston then introduced our speaker Clarence Crochet who presented a lovely slide show and program in true Cajun style. It was enjoyed by all.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Linda Sample, Secretary



# *Photography and Video Awards: Call for Entries*

Ottis Houston, Lake City, FL

Many people are unaware of the various photography and video awards presented by AHS and in recent years there have been too few entries. All photographers/videographers are encouraged to participate. The AHS Slide and Video Librarian administers the Photography and Video Awards program. The awards are presented each year at the AHS National Convention. Rules applying to all awards are as follows:

- ◆ All entrants must be AHS members.
- ◆ An entrant may submit as many entries as desired.
- ◆ All entries are to be sent to the AHS Slide and Video Librarian and become the property of the AHS Slide and Video Library.
- ◆ The display of a time and/or date on the film is discouraged.
- ◆ The deadline for submission is April 1, and it is determined by the postmark on the mailing container.
- ◆ No entrant may win the award in any contest more than three times within a five-year period.
- ◆ The winning entrant may keep all awards.
- ◆ A panel of three judges evaluates all entries. Of these, at least two must be members of AHS. Any nonmember who serves as a judge shall have an extensive knowledge of photography or cinematography. Judges are selected by the AHS Slide and Video Librarian and may not be entrants in the competition.

The following is a brief synopsis of the photography and video awards:

## **Mildred Schlumpf Awards**

There are two awards of silver trays for slides of 35-mm format. One award is given for a landscape slide (predominantly featuring daylilies and with no more than one person included) and the other is for an individual daylily bloom (subject daylilies must have been registered during the past six years).

## **A.D. Roquemore Memorial Award**

The award, a pewter plate, is presented for the best slide of a cultivar clump showing the foliage, the scapes, and the flowers to give a total picture. Subject daylilies must have been registered during the past seven years and slides must be of 35-mm format.

## **Region 14 Slide Sequence Award**

The award, a silver tray, is presented for the best entry of slides in a sequence of events that gives information relating to daylilies. A sequence may be as few as two slides and a maximum of twenty slides of 35-mm format.

## **Lazarus Memorial Award**

An award of artwork is given for the best video recording of a presentation (educational, artistic, or entertainment) relating to daylilies. Preferences include: VHS format, 15 minute to an hour running time, and a narrated sound track.

Anyone interested in entering the Slide and Video contest for 2005 is requested to review the rules for the contest in *Judging Daylilies*, Chapter A2. Send your entries by April 1, 2005 to:



Ottis Houston  
AHS Slide and Video Librarian  
2147 SW State Rd 47  
Lake City, FL 32025-9180



## *Region 12 Club Reports*

### **Bay Area Daylily Society**

The BADS show this spring was held on Mother's Day, May 9, a change from our usual last Saturday in April due to a scheduling snafu at the Florida Botanical Garden. Fortunately, many excited gardeners were there for us when we opened the doors at 9. The show was a great success with 112 on-scape judged entries and a number of new members joining our ranks.

Results were:

- Large Flower    **SO MANY STARS**  
                         exhibited by Elaine Alito
- Small Flower    **SWEET PEPPER**  
                         exhibited by Dan Stateler
- Mini Flower    Not awarded
- Double            **MICRO BURST**  
                         exhibited by Linda Sample
- Spider/Sp Var    **LONG STOCKING**  
                         exhibited by Linda Sample
- Unusual Form    **FRILLY BLISS**  
                         exhibited by Kay Smith
- Youth             Not awarded
- Popularity Poll   Not awarded
- Seedling          Not awarded
- R. W. Munson    **BARN OWL**  
                         exhibited by Linda Sample
- Best in Show     **SO MANY STARS**  
                         exhibited by Elaine Alito
- Sweepstakes     Dan Stateler



Photo: Roger Hopper

Judges Sandy Campbell and Pat Weber ponder the merits of an entry

Our annual picnic at Geoff and Linda Johnson's in June featured Jean and Bill Norris as our speakers and guests. The spoke about the do's and don't's of holding a Spring Regional which we will host in 2006. It was very informative for us and we'll try our best to have a great regional for all to enjoy.



Kay Smith, Elaine Alito, Jean Norris, and Bill Norris enjoying the BADS picnic at the Johnson's



Elaine Alito with **SO MANY STARS**



Kay Smith with **FRILLY BLISS**

Photos: Roger Hopper

Our club participated in a new sales venue this year at the University of Tampa's GreenFest in March. The weather was great and we enjoyed talking to a new group of people about our favorite flower. Pictures did a pretty good job with sales since the March date was well before bloom. We generated interest and sold a fair number of potted daylilies for our efforts. This is a well established event in Tampa and will likely prove more beneficial as word gets out that folks can find an exclusive daylily booth among the other 150 or so.

— Linda Sample and Dawn Mason

## *Region 12 Club Reports*

### **Central Florida Daylily Society**

It has been another eventful year for the Central Florida Daylily Society! On the evening of May 7 CFDS hosted a potluck dinner and auction for our members and judges. A big thanks to all members who contributed plants and wonder things to eat that made the night wonderful. Everyone seemed to have a great time. Our annual show was held on May 8<sup>th</sup> at beautiful Leu Gardens. We had more on-scape entries than we have seen in several years, including some wonderful entries from several first time showers and youth members. Another thanks to the members for pitching to make the show successful and to the judges for giving their time and expertise.



Kathy Massa puts the final touches on the awards table

Photo: CJ Gregory

On Saturday, May 29<sup>th</sup>, CFDS took a road trip! The club chartered a bus and traveled to the garden of Pat and Grace Stamile who showed us many beautiful seedlings that we can look forward to coming out in the years to come. After filling the bus with pots the bus next hopped a couple of houses down to Phil & Pina Reilly. Phil shared some of his future introductions that were truly stunning! VIA VENETO really wowed the group. After we stopped drooling we went down another house or two to the garden of Dan and Jane Trimmer who have recently redone portions of their garden and built a green house. It was spectacular! Jane is getting some really beautiful and unique things in her UF program some of the kids from SPEEDO were breathtaking. We were all amazed at the variety and richness of color Dan is getting from his conversion crosses. Amazingly we managed to put still more

plants into the bus and drove across the street to a really nice park and enjoyed a picnic lunch to finish off the day.



Photo: CJ Gregory

Jo Ann Little and Shirley Massey admire Phil Reilly's daylilies

#### Show Winners:

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|-----------------------|---|
| Large Flower          | SPANISH SNOWBIRD<br>exhibited by David Kirchhoff              |
| Small Flower          | SPACECOAST PERFECT ANGEL<br>exhibited by Marjorie Kinnebrew   |
| Mini Flower           | SPACECOAST TINY PERFECTION<br>exhibited by Marjorie Kinnebrew |
| Double Flower         | LISA'S CABERNET<br>exhibited by Dan Hansen                    |
| Spider/Sp Var         | MARKED BY LYDIA<br>exhibited by Wayne Johnson                 |
| Unusual Form          | PEACOCK MAIDEN<br>exhibited by Richard Page                   |
| Youth                 | FIN AND FEATHERS<br>exhibited by Sydney Harrison              |
| Popularity Poll       | PEARL HARBOR<br>exhibited by Sydney Harrison                  |
| Seedling              | exhibited by David Kirchhoff                                  |
| R. W. Munson          | CATCHER IN THE EYE<br>exhibited by Marjorie Kinnebrew         |
| Best in Show          | SPACECOAST TINY PERFECTION<br>exhibited by Marjorie Kinnebrew |
| Sweepstakes           | Dan Stateler  |
| AHS Achievement Medal | exhibited by Marjorie Kinnebrew                               |

— C.J. Gregory

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### **North Florida Daylily Society**

The North Florida Daylily Society held it's annual Show on May 15, 2004 at the Orange Park Mall. Nineteen of our members entered 197 on-scape daylilies and approximately 100 off scape daylilies into the Show. Of these 19 members, three of them were youth, who brought some very well grown flowers.

The incoming President of NFDS, Ray Wensell, won the award for the very best Large Daylily, BAYOU DANCER.



Dale O'Bar discusses placement with his daughter, Melanie



Ray and Terry Wensell with their winning Large Flower, BAYOU DANCER

Photos: Robert Reed

Scott Smith, who continues growing winning daylilies in his garden at Jacksonville Beach, won the Small On-Scape award for GOLDIE FRITZ, the Miniature On-Scape award for GAIL REESE and the Double On-Scape award for DOUBLY DELICIOUS DANDY.

Ottis Houston won the On-Scape Spider award for LONG STOCKING.

Chris Arsenault took the top honors for the best Unusual Form Daylily, OSTERIZED, the best Youth On-Scape award for CURIOUS GEORGE, and the R. W. Munson, Jr. Award for the best patterned daylily, WIZARD'S PUZZLE.

The Best in Show Award went to Chris's OSTERIZED.

Bob Reese entered the winning Popularity Poll daylily, MARY ETHEL ANDERSON.

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Jack May entered many blue ribbon daylilies for the first time in many years. His growing efforts were rewarded with the Sweepstakes Award.



Donald Schnepal, one of our newer member, entering flowers for the first time in the show

Photo: Robert Reed

Thanks to the donations of seedlings and daylilies by Bob and Margaret Tucker, Bob Reese, Bob Ruff, and Evelyn Olschner, we had a very successful daylily sale.



Tom Olivant hard at work at the Sales Table



Our Tabulator, Evelyn Olschner

Photos: Robert Reed

Under the leadership of our Show Chairman, Greg Stephan, we had many members of our club help with the many jobs that needed to be carried out for a successful show.

Thanks to all who helped!!

— Mary Frances Ruff

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### Pensacola Hemerocallis Society

Pensacola's fifty-first show was also the smallest in memory, because the early date was compounded by cool weather for the two weeks preceding the show. There were only 62 blooms entered.

Obtaining judges was also a problem, since several regions had buses going to Mecca the same weekend as our show. The club decided to pay each carload of judges ten cents a mile to help defray the high cost of gasoline. The Region 12 judges were: Viola Steadham, Pensacola; Opal Howell and Betty Winkler, Tallahassee; and Jill Mercer, Havana. We were happy to have Janice Connelly, Collins, MS; Sarah Hegwood and Kemberly Roberts, Petal, MS, all Region 14. We were fortunate to have Jane and Ralph Carson make the long drive from Eatonton, GA, Region 5, and complete our judging panels.



Photo: Carl Brady

Judges Kemberly Roberts, Viola Steadham, and Jane Carson, judge large flower entries

Show winners:

- Large Flower    **SPRING CHORUS**  
                         exhibited by James and Laura Hall
- Small Flower    **CUPID'S HEART**  
                         exhibited by Carl Brady
- Mini Flower    **SPACECOAST TINY PERFECTION**  
                         exhibited by Thomas Dickson
- Double Flower    Not awarded

- Spider/Sp Var    **STRING BIKINI**  
                         exhibited by James and Laura Hall
- Jack Temple    **STRING BIKINI**  
Spider Award    exhibited by James and Laura Hall
- Unusual Form    Not awarded
- Seedling        exhibited by Carl Brady
- R.W. Munson    **BLACK PEPPER**  
                         exhibited by Carl Brady
- Best in Show    **CUPID'S HEART**  
                         exhibited by Carl Brady
- Sweepstakes    Carl Brady

We have vowed to never have an early show again!

— Carl Brady



Best Seedling exhibited by Carl Brady



**SPACECOAST TINY PERFECTION** exhibited by Thomas Dickson

Photos: Carl Brady



**STRING BIKINI** exhibited by James/Laura Hall

Photo: Carl Brady

## Region 12 Club Reports

### Sunbelt Daylily Chapter

The 2004 Sunbelt Daylily Annual Show weekend started on April 30 with our traditional Friday Night Social. This year, the reception and social was held at the Deltona Community Center, and Bubbalou's Bodacious Barbeque of Orlando successfully catered the event. After the delicious dinner, Sunbelt members, friends and guests participated in a spirited auction of acquisition program return plants and donated plants. Following the auction, Grace Stamile presented a slide program that highlighted new and recent daylily introductions by prominent Sunbelt hybridizers.



Photo: Arlene Wierschem

Phillip and Trudy Marth admire Division I entries

After drought conditions and cool weather in March and April, rain posed a serious threat to the Sunbelt Annual Daylily Show. Raindrops fell through the early hours of May 1<sup>st</sup>, but telephone lines hummed as Chapter members urged each other to ignore the moisture. The Sunbelt day long show was presented May 1 at the Seminole Town Center Mall in Sanford, Florida. Professional and amateur daylily growers provided a wealth of beautiful exhibition scapes! Sunbelt's colorful daylily exhibition was perfectly highlighted by an atrium skylight three stories above the exhibition floor. Adjacent to the exhibition were tables displaying on-scape and off-scape blossoms supplied by several members of the Chapter. These display tables enhanced the show's appeal to the public. Sunbelt's huge cooperative effort created spectacular, colorful results!

Because of our mall location and the length of the day, numerous visitors stopped by the education tables to learn more about daylilies. They also purchased plants

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that had been donated for the annual daylily sale.

The Sunbelt show highlighted locally bred and grown daylilies. Invited judges included: David Bowman, Kevin Walek, Gwen Denny, Dixie Ayers, Luther and Elaine Beck, Jay and Peggy Turman, Mark Carpenter, Elaine Alito and Bridey Greeson.



Photo: Arlene Wierschem

Veteran Sunbelt member, Emelina Harvey, makes a distinction among the lovely exhibits

The on-scape award winners included:

Large Flower	PAHOKEE PRINCESS exhibited by Mort Morss
Small Flower	SPACECOAST GOLDEN THIMBLE exhibited by John L. Kinnebrew
Mini Flower	LITTLE PRINT exhibited by Wayne and Fern Johnson
Double Flower	LITTLE LIZA JANE exhibited by Wayne and Fern Johnson
Spider/Sp Var	Not awarded
Unusual Form	SIDEWINDER OH SEVEN exhibited by Dan Hansen
Youth	Not awarded
Popularity Poll	BILL NORRIS exhibited by Pat Weber
Seedling	exhibited by John L. Kinnebrew
Achievement Medal	exhibited by John L. Kinnebrew
Best in Show	LITTLE PRINT exhibited by Wayne and Fern Johnson
Sweepstakes	Mort Morss

— Arlene Wierschem

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## *Region 12 Club Reports*

### **Tallahassee Hemerocallis Society**

The Tallahassee Hemerocallis Show was held on Sunday, May 16, 2004 at the Tallahassee Mall. Diane Culver was Show Chairperson & Jill Mercer, Co Chair.

The show was well attended and a good representation of the wide variety of modern daylilies was on display.



Photo: Donna Warlick

Dot Ryan and Pam Brown at the education table

Those attending showed an interest in the splendor presented and many new varieties were added to their gardens from the plant sale. An added attraction was a raffle of ten choice daylilies.

Our appreciation goes to the judges who contributed their time and talents to the show. Our judges were Bill and Jean Norris, Sanford, FL; Linda Sample, Tampa, FL; Elaine Alito, Kenneth City, FL; Jack Joiner, Dublin, GA; Pat Mercer, Dexter, GA; Fred Fallman, Clermont, FL; Ottis Houston, Lake City, FL; and Lee Hicks, Eatonton, GA.



Photo: Donna Warlick

Judges Ottis Houston and Jack Joiner at work

The show this year was dedicated to the memory of Jack Turner and Jack VanKleunen.

Show Results:

Number of Scapes: 356

- Large Flower    LAUREN LEAH  
                         exhibited by Opal Howell
- Small Flower    LITTLE ORANGE TEX  
                         exhibited by Claudette Collins
- Mini Flower     JASON SALTER  
                         exhibited by Richard Graves
- Double Flower   RACHAEL MY LOVE  
                         exhibited by Claudette Collins
- Spider/Sp Var    MARKED BY LYDIA  
                         exhibited by Claudette Collins



MARKED BY LYDIA  
Best Spider/In Show



LITTLE ORANGE TEX  
Best Small Flower

Photos: Donna Warlick

- Unusual Form    PURPLE PEOPLE EATER  
                         exhibited by Emily Hawthorne
- Popularity Poll   Not awarded
- Youth             DAGGY  
                         exhibited by Savannah France
- Seedling           exhibited by Ted Collins
- Polytepal         Seedling (Ted Collins)  
                         exhibited by Ted Collins
- R. W. Munson    FACES OF A CLOWN  
                         exhibited by Claudette Collins
- Best in Show     MARKED BY LYDIA  
                         exhibited by Claudette Collins
- Sweepstakes     Claudette Collins
- Dot Ryan

## *Daylily Clubs in Region 12*

### **Bay Area Daylily Society**

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**Note:** Meets at 1:30 p.m. on the third Sunday of each month September-May at locations in Pinellas or Hillsborough Co., to be announced.

### **Central Florida Daylily Society**

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**Note:** Meets at 2:00 p.m. on the third Sunday of each month September-April at the Garden House at Leu Gardens, Orlando.

### **Choctawhatchee Hemerocallis Society**

Jeannie Green, President  
468 College Avenue  
DeFuniak Springs, FL 32433  
(850) 892-5597

**Note:** Meets at 2:00 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month January-June at the Council on Aging, DeFuniak Springs.

### **Daylily Society of the Palm Beaches**

Frances Hunter  
201 Potter Road  
West Palm Beach, FL 33405  
(561) 585-1109

**Note:** Club is inactive now, wishes to be revived. Contact Frances about membership.

### **North Florida Daylily Society**

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Middleburg, FL 32068  
(904) 215-9457

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**Note:** Meets at 2:15 p.m. on the second Sunday of each month September-June at the Orange Park Library, Orange Park.

### **Pensacola Hemerocallis Society**

Thomas Dickson, President  
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Molino, FL 32577  
(850) 587-3029

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**Note:** Meets at 2:30 p.m. one Sunday a month at the Main Library, Pensacola. Dates vary so contact Tom for more information.

### **Sunbelt Daylily Chapter**

Jay Charba, President  
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Winter Park, FL 32792-2026  
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**Note:** Meets at 2:00 p.m. on the first Sunday of each month September-April at the Seminole Agriculture Center, Sanford.

### **Suwannee Valley Hemerocallis Society**

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2147 SW State Rd. 47  
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**Note:** Meets at 2:00 p.m. on the third Sunday of each month September-June at the Columbia County Public Library, Lake City.

### **Tallahassee Hemerocallis Society**

Sharon Agosta, President  
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**Note:** Meets at 2:00 p.m. on the fourth Sunday of each month Sept.-April (except Dec.) at the Leon County Cooperative Extension Center, Tallahassee.



## *Winners from the Region 12 Spring Regional*

The winners of the Munson Hybridizer's Award and the Best Clump Award were voted on by Regional attendees



Munson Hybridizer's Bed and winning seedling (#24) from John Kinnebrew

Photos: Henry Matutino



HUMDINGER in the Ridaught Garden

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