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Cover Photo: *It is with pleasure that I have chosen a photo of Hemerocallis 'Entwined in the Vine' (Emmerich 2007) to grace this cover of The Dixie Daylily. Photographed during the 2018 Region 14 Spring Meeting in the Billingslea Garden, it was announced as the winner of the 2018 Stout Silver Medal at the AHS Board Meeting in October.*

(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)

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The editor invites submissions on the following:

Articles on Daylilies
Articles on Daylily Culture
Profiles of Region 14
Hybridizers
Garden Write-ups
Features of Historical Interest
Articles on Photography
Scientific Studies Involving
Daylilies
Club News and Events

If possible, please send material by e-mail. Digital images are preferred over photographs and slides.

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REGIONAL PRESIDENT'S REPORT TERESE GOODSON

My last two months as your Region 14 president are quickly coming to a close. Thank you for giving me this opportunity to serve as your liaison with AHS/ADS. I have already visited all the Display Gardens in Region 14, including the third new one I've certified this summer. Debbie and Kenny Hatten's garden, Chisel Ridge, in Perkinston, MS, is just a short drive from Hattiesburg. It would be worth a visit next year if you are attending the Region 14 meeting.

I am also making the last couple of visits to clubs in Region 14 before Henry Little assumes the role of president on January 1, 2019. It has been a pleasure to meet with so many of you. Thanks for your Southern hospitality!

I can't leave office without thanking the officers of Region 14 for their support and assistance. Oliver Billingslea has officially resigned as Region 14 Director and as your Newsletter Editor. His Summer/Fall edition of *The Dixie Daylily* may be his best effort to date! Oliver has been such a resource to me personally and to all national and regional daylily enthusiasts. His expertise will be missed. Remember, the Winter issue of the magazine will be online only. Don't miss it!

Debbie Smith, Regional Publicity Director, now has two hats to wear. Besides being RPD, she has assumed the responsibility of Director for AL/MS. I am pleased that she was willing to serve in both capacities. I can't think of anyone more qualified. She will continue to be an outstanding daylily advocate for all of us.

Jim Chappell has served with me as treasurer for the past two years. His financial records are meticulous and the audit reviews each year have come out clean. He has been an asset to this region.

Janet Green and Beverly Odom have both served as secretary during my tenure and both of these ladies have kept an accurate record of business meetings and have shared the minutes through the Region 14 newsletter. Beverly will continue to serve in this capacity.

You will soon be receiving information about the Facebook auction for AHS/ADS. Take a minute to look at the many items available and make your bid. What fun!

Have you already renewed your membership in AHS/ADS? I recently visited the Northeast Alabama Hosta, Iris, and Daylily Society and was thrilled to have three new membership forms in my hands by the end of the meeting. The covered dish dinner was a bonus, the plant swap was fun, and I learned about some new edible plants from Larry Chandler, the guest speaker.

If you are not receiving *The Daylily Journal* and *The Dixie Daylily*, you are not a current member of the American Daylily Society. The magazines are worth the cost of membership—such a wealth of information! The daylily photography makes me want to plant more and more daylilies in the garden.

Meridian Daylily Club hosted a very smooth fall meeting in October. Thank you! This may be a small club,

but everyone pitched in to make the effort of sponsoring the meeting look easy. Bill Waldrop of Kennesaw Mountain Daylilies was an enjoyable speaker. (I recently revised Nancy Falck's guide for hosting a spring meeting to make it reflect the guidelines for hosting a fall meeting. I'd be happy to share this with you.)

It's mid-October, but I'm going outside now to plant some new daylilies. Do we ever have enough for our gardens?

Terese Goodson

RPD'S REPORT, FALL 2018 DEBBIE D. SMITH

As I sit writing this, we have had our first dose of cool weather and our daylily season is over for the year except for the Christmas parties. I have my stacks of catalogues and magazines put aside for inclement weather and planning for next year. The Fall Regional Meeting in Meridian, Mississippi, hosted by the Meridian Club, was a great success. The convention center was a great site and had room for everything. Bill and Diana Waldrop were the guest speakers. When Bill gets excited it is easy to see why he was such a great courtroom advisory. We are all looking forward to seeing his flower in the movie "The Mule" which will be out by the time you read this.

We have already had several planning meetings for the 2019 Spring Regional in Hattiesburg, Mississippi. The speakers are planned, the timing laid out, the chairs appointed; all that remains is fleshing out the details and dealing with the last-minute emergencies that will occur. It will be a great meeting. The registration form is on the Region 14 and HADS Club websites and in this issue of *The Dixie Daylily*. I am looking forward to seeing you there.

Henry Little will be our Regional President next year and he has been working hard to get everything organized. There will be some changes: namely Paul Aucoin, our Webmaster, is retiring after many years of faithful service to allow him to travel without restrictions. I would like to thank him for all his help and guidance over the years. Chuck Holcomb will be taking his place. His email is chuck.holcomb@comcast.net. As always, when you have changes that need to be made to the website, please send them to me and I will inform the appropriate people. We do not have a new Editor for *The Dixie Daylily* as of now, but Henry Little is searching. If you have any ideas, please let him know.

I was very pleased with the results of the Popularity Poll this year. Out of 310 ADS/AHS members in Region 14 we had 141 votes. That was enough to give us 1st place nationwide!

Our top winners are:

1	Suburban Nancy Gayle	52
2	Banana Smoothie	37
3	Emma's Curls	33
4	Look Here Mary	30

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5	Sebastian the Crab	29
5	Webster's Pink Wonder	29
6	Lillian's Legends and Lies	26
7	Dorothy and Toto	25
7	Double Blue Blood	25
7	South Sea Enchantment	25
8	Lava Flow	23
9	Coffee to Go	22
9	King Kahuna	22
10	God Save the Queen	21

I would like to thank everyone who took the time to vote. If you would like the entire results, please let me know and I will mail you one.

Thank you for taking the time to read this and I hope to see you soon.

Debbie D. Smith

MINUTES, FALL MEETING 2018

BEVERLY ODOM, SECRETARY

The AHS Region 14 fall business meeting was held at the Northeast Conference Center in Meridian, MS, on Saturday, October 6, 2018.

Lois Smith, President of the Meridian Daylily Club, welcomed members to the meeting.

Region 14 President, Terese Goodson, called the meeting to order and thanked the Meridian Daylily Club for hosting the fall meeting. President Goodson announced the certification of three new display gardens in the region this year: Daylily Hollow, Philip and Beverly Odom, Collinsville, MS; Chisel Ridge, Kenny and Debbie Hatten, Perkinston, MS; and Whetstone Garden On The Lake, Mabrey and Charlotte Whetstone, Titus, AL. She encouraged members to visit them during bloom season. President Goodson then took a moment to acknowledge members who are ill.

Regional Secretary, Beverly Odom, was asked to stand and read the minutes from the 2018 Spring meeting. President Goodson asked if there were any corrections to the minutes. Nancy Chain called for a correction to state that 3 people attended the Garden Judges I clinic, not that "3 people attended the 2 clinics." The correction was made and the minutes were approved as corrected.

Regional Treasurer, Jim Chappell, read the Treasurer's report. The ending balance was \$18,765.53. President Goodson asked for any corrections to the report. There was a motion to accept the report as stated and the report was approved.

Reports were given as follows:

Regional Publicity Director, Debbie Smith, reported that out of 310 Region 14 members, 141 voted in the Region 14 Popularity Poll, giving us 46% and winning the ADS contest. The next closest region had 43%. She then announced the top 10 winners of the Popularity poll. *Hemerocallis* 'Suburban Nancy Gayle' took 1st place with

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52 votes. *H.* 'Banana Smoothie' took 2nd place with 37 votes. 'Emma's Curls' took 3rd place with 33 votes.

The Dixie Daylily Editor and Region 14 Director, Oliver Billingslea, thanked everyone for their support and encouraged members to send articles and club news for the Winter edition of *The Dixie Daylily*. The deadline is December 15, 2018; it will be an online only edition. The deadline for the new ADS Logo submission is October 18, 2018. Meg Ryan will be retiring as the Editor of *The Daylily Journal*, December 31, 2018.

Garden Judges Liaison, Nancy Chain, encouraged more members to become garden judges. There are 38 Garden Judges at the present time. She encouraged members to read the article in *The Daylily Journal* about being a garden judge.

Exhibition Judges Liaison, John Falck, encouraged more members to become exhibition judges to ensure there are enough judges to judge shows. He also reported that Clinic I can be taken online, and Clinic III can now be taken online as a webinar.

Historian, Sarah Lunsford – No report

Membership, Glenda Woods, reported that she would continue to contact new members to encourage participation in daylily clubs, display gardens, and to make them aware of the publications.

Webmaster, Paul Aucoin – No report

Protocol, Jack Harrison – No report

Youth, Tricia Folks – No report

Scientific Studies, Jason Fleishman – No report

Unfinished Business:

President Goodson thanked the Montgomery Area Daylily Society for hosting the Spring Meeting in Montgomery. She reported that due to cost savings from the venue, etc., they were able to return \$1000 to the Region 14 treasury from that event. Henry Little made a motion that the money be returned to the treasury.

Henry Little was nominated to become Regional President at the spring meeting. The membership voted and the nomination was approved. He will begin as Regional President, January 1, 2019.

A nominating committee was named to select a Regional Director for the 2020-2022 term. Members are B.J. Yance, Phyllis Riddle, and Pat Wentz. Their report will be given at the spring meeting in Hattiesburg, MS.

New Business:

Oliver Billingslea resigned as the Region 14 Director. As appointed by the ADS President, Debbie Smith was named the new Director to begin October 26, 2018. (If a director retires before the end of his/her term, the national President appoints the replacement director.) Oliver Billingslea offered to return \$150 to the treasury to be used by the new director for expenses for the remainder of the term. Jason Fleishman made a motion to return the funds; Gary Campbell seconded the motion. A vote was called and the motion carried.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT, FALL 2018

DEBBIE D. SMITH

After serving as the Newsletter Editor from 2004-2018, Oliver's last issue as editor will be the Winter 2018 issue. To save the Region money, it will be an online only issue. The deadline for submissions is December 15, 2018. Incoming Region 14 President, Henry Little, will appoint the next editor.

A funding request to set aside up to \$500 for equipment/materials for the new editor of *The Dixie Daylily* was discussed. Jeanie Kilpatrick made a motion to do so; John Falck seconded the motion. A vote was called and the motion carried.

In an effort to improve the Region's finances, it was suggested that the editor's stipend of \$1000 per year be changed to a per need basis of actual expenses to be reimbursed. Debbie Smith called for a motion. Bonnie Lingel seconded the motion. A vote was called and the motion carried.

Oliver Billingslea announced the winners of the Region 14 Photography awards: Single Bloom category - Hank Immler; Multi Bloom Category - Kay Cline; Landscape Category - Kay Cline; Daylilies With Companion Plants - Beverly Odom; Artistic Category - Mickey Immler.

The Photography Contest will be continued in 2019, submissions due by June 21, 2019.

The 2017 David Hall Memorial Award for the top cultivar in the popularity poll was awarded to Earl Watts for *H. 'Suburban Nancy Gayle'*.

Paul Aucoin will retire as Region 14 Webmaster December 31, 2018.

The North Alabama Daylily Society will sponsor the Sally Lake Award in the future, beginning with the Spring 2019 Regional Meeting in Hattiesburg, MS.

Henry Little made a motion to increase the amount given to the clubs hosting the spring and fall meetings by \$500 each to help with expenses which would allow other clubs to host that couldn't before. Gary Campbell seconded the motion. A vote was called and the motion carried.

President Goodson thanked The Meridian Daylily Club again for hosting the meeting.

Announcements:

The Marion County Daylily Society in MS was dissolved in December 2017, as affirmed by Roger Carr.

Region 14 hybridizers B.J. and Carolyn Yance were recognized in the Fall 2018 issue of *The Daylily Journal*, in an article written by Terese Goodson.

Donations were made to the AHS General Fund, the AHS "100 Giving \$100" fund, and the William E. Monroe Endowment Trust Fund by several Region 14 members.

The 2019 National AHS Convention will be held in Middleton, WI, July 10 - 13.

The Region 14 Spring Meeting will be held in Hattiesburg, MS on May 24-25, 2019. Registration forms are posted online and in *The Dixie Daylily*.

Respectfully submitted,

Beverly Odom

This is my first Director's Report, so here goes: the 2018 ADS/AHS Fall Board meeting was held in Savannah, Georgia, on October 27, 2018, at The DeSoto Hotel and hosted by the Ogeechee Daylily Society. They will be hosting the 2020 Spring National Convention. This is another small club that will show what they can do by pulling together, and it will be different than other conventions before it. The convention will be held during the week to take advantage of better pricing at an historic hotel and have a day of city tours on the tour buses that you can get on and off at each destination of your choice. The next day there will be two main daylily gardens, Maneki Neko of Scott and Dominique Elliott and the revamped Joiner Gardens. We will also visit the Savannah Botanical Garden. It should be very interesting.

When I think of daylilies, I think of plants and dirt, sunshine and blooms. The most formal part of daylilies for me has been a show, and even there I am working the entire time. So, a Board meeting was different, formal but still all about daylilies. Everyone was pleasant and very welcoming. I now have faces to go with several names. Everyone was encouraged to express his/her opinions and each was listened to attentively. I was named as Exhibition Judges Chair for 2019 and am on several committees.

After much deliberation, it was decided to continue to use the ADS/AHS form to allow enough time for everyone to assimilate the change before the AHS is dropped in the literature. The Website and the Portal will continue to be updated in blocks, and the new Webmaster is Jason Braun. The new editor of *The Daylily Journal* will be Adele Koehan from Region 4. She will work with Meg Ryan for the remainder of year and take over in January 2019.



H. 'Entwined in the Vine' (Emmerich 2007)
2018 Stout Silver Medal

We voted for the various awards: The Electronic Media Award, the various 2019 Regional Service Awards, The Steve Moldovan Mentoring Award, The Bertrand Farr Silver Medal, and The Helen Field Fischer Gold Medal

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for Service at the National level—all of which will be announced at the 2019 National Spring Meeting in Middleton, Wisconsin. The 2018 Lenington All American Award went to *Hemerocallis* ‘White Eyes Pink Dragon’ (Gossard, 2006), an unusual form crispate. As voted upon earlier by garden Judges, the 2018 Stout Silver Medal went to *H.* ‘Entwined in the Vine’ (Emmerich 2007).



H. ‘White Eyes Pink Dragon’ (Gossard 2006)
2018 Lenington All-American Award

The online Exhibitions Judges Refresher Clinics have been a huge success. I will be working to update the records process for Exhibition judges during the next year. *The Garden Judging Handbook* is being revised and will be available for electronic download on the ADS/AHS website and through Amazon at the first of the year. There are no other books in the pipeline currently.

The 3rd Annual Facebook Auction will be held January 20-26, 2019, with 100% of the proceeds going to the ADS/AHS General Fund. Once again, in support of this auction, we have a one-of-a-kind birdhouse from Arthur Woods made of reclaimed materials, a hand-crafted bowl from Dr. Wayne McLaurin, and a collection of daylilies from John & Nancy Falck. Thank you to all of them. Be sure and take the time to look at these items and support our Region’s contributions.

Please remember to send in your membership dues during the busy holiday season ahead. Thank you.

Debbie D. Smith

TREASURER’S REPORT

JIM CHAPPELL

10/05/18

October 5, 2018—November 29, 2018

Cash on Hand @ October 5, 2018 \$18,765.53

Total Funds: **\$18,765.53**

Receipts:

Date:

10/6/2018	Plant Auction, Meridian	\$3,605.00
10/6/2018	Plant Sale, Meridian	\$170.00
10/6/2018	Oliver Billingslea Return, Part Director’s Stipend	\$150.00
10/6/2018	Montgomery Regional Excess	\$1,066.64

Total Receipts: \$4,991.64
\$4,991.64

Expenditures:

Date: CK#

10/6/2018 #1108	Kay Kline, Photo Contest	(\$50.00)
10/6/2018 #1109	Beverly Odom, Photo Contest	(\$50.00)
10/6/2018 #1110	Mickey Immler, Photo Contest	(\$50.00)
10/6/2018 #1111	Hank Immler, Photo Contest	(\$50.00)
10/6/2018 #1112	Debbie Smith, Supplies, Meridian	(\$140.51)
10/6/2018 #1113	Phyllis Riddle, Printing, Meridian	(\$72.46)
10/6/2018 #1114	Debbie Smith, Director	(\$150.00)
10/6/2018 #1115	Bill Waldrop, Travel, Meridian	(\$168.00)
10/18/2018 #1116	Bill Waldrop, Hotel, Meridian	(\$113.88)

Total Expenditures: **-\$769.85**
-\$769.85

Cash on Hand @ November 29, 2018 \$22,987.32

Total Funds as of November 29, 2018 **\$22,987.32**

SPRING MEETING
2019 HATTIESBURG, MS

AHS Region 14 Spring Meeting

May 23, 24 & 25, 2019

Hosted by the Hattiesburg Area Daylily Society

Lake Terrace Convention Center

One Convention Center Plaza (I-59 & US 49)

Hattiesburg, MS 39402

Meeting Chair: Earl Watts

E-mail: bwatts54@gmail.com

Guest Speakers: Nikki Schmith (Friday) & Dan Hansen (Saturday)

Registration Fees:

Adult: \$110

Youth: \$50

Fees include: Buses, lunch Saturday, & dinner Friday & Saturday

Mail checks and registration form to:

Chuck & Linda Holcomb, Registrars

904 Adeline Street

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

(601) 434-0341

E-mail: linda.holcomb@comcast.net

Make checks payable to:

Hattiesburg Area Daylily Society

The first 75 to register will have name in drawing for Registration fee refund.

Plan to come early for Potluck Dinner (provided by HADS) and Plant Auction Thursday evening, May 23, 2019, 6:30 PM. On site registration table will be open at 6 PM.

Rooms Rates: When making reservations, refer to Hattiesburg Area Daylily Society.

Hampton Inn

120 Plaza Dr. (I-59 & Hwy. 98 West)

Hattiesburg, MS 39402 Phone: (601) 268-0606

Room Rate: \$119.00 + tax; Hot Breakfast included

Room Reservation Rate cut-off date: May 15, 2019

Registration Form:

Registration Deadline is Wednesday, May 15, 2019

1st Person _____

2nd Person _____

Youth #1 _____

Youth #2 _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip code: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Indicate Judges Clinics/Workshops you will attend Friday, May 24, 2019.
(Nonrefundable \$5.00 fee for each clinic must be sent with registration form.)

Exhibition Judges Refresher Clinic (10:00-12:00 Noon)

1st person _____ 2nd person _____

Garden Judges Workshop I (12:30-3:30)

1st person _____ 2nd person _____

Exhibition Judges Clinic I (12:30-3:30)

1st person _____ 2nd person _____

Garden Judges Workshop II (10:00-12:00 Noon)

1st person _____ 2nd person _____

Exhibition Judges Clinic II (12:30-4:30)

All participants must have latest copy of the Exhibition or Garden judging Handbook.

Do you need handicapped facilities? Yes ___ No ___ Do you have special dietary requirements? Yes ___ No ___

Please give details if you answer yes to either question. _____

Mail this registration form (or similar copy) with your check payable to **Hattiesburg Area Daylily Society**.

Digital Photography Awards Guidelines for 2019

Region 14 is again sponsoring Photography Awards for 2019.

Images will be accepted until June 21, 2019. Please e-mail as attachments to the Photography Liaison. Do not reduce the size of images. They need to be sent large enough, preferably 1MB to 6MB, for our editor to be able to print them in our regional newsletter. Images sent at less than 500 KB cannot be accepted.

Rules and guidelines:

Again this year, there are five categories.

- (1) Single bloom (the photograph may be of any registered cultivar)
- (2) Multi-bloom or cultivar clump (must be of a registered cultivar)
- (3) Daylilies with companion plants
- (4) Daylilies in the landscape
- (5) Artistic image

Photographers may submit up to five (5) entries in each category. Each attachment should be labeled as to category with additional information supplied in the e-mail.

In the category of single bloom, the photographer must identify the cultivar, its hybridizer, its year of registration, and the garden in which the photo was taken.

The same applies for the multi-bloom or cultivar clump, the latter of which should show the foliage, the scapes, and the flowers to give a total picture.

In the daylilies with companion plants category, the photographer must identify the most prominent daylilies in the picture, as well as the most prominent companion plants. The photographer must also identify the garden in which the photo was taken.

In the landscape category, the photographer may, if he or she wishes, identify some of the daylilies, but must identify the garden in which the photo was taken. No people should appear in the photo.

The artistic category should stress uniqueness in subject and composition.

The photographer must be an AHS Region 14 member.

A panel of three judges will evaluate all entries in respect to focus, color, and composition.

Region 14 will present a certificate plus a cash award of \$25 in each of the five categories, and the winning entries will be published in the 2019 Summer/Fall issue of *The Dixie Daylily*. An awards presentation will be held at the Region 14 Fall Meeting.

Please send your images by June 21, 2019, to:

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AHS Region 14 Popularity Poll Results for 2018

#	Cultivar	Votes			
			54	Moses' Fire	8
				Barbara Fuller	7
1	Suburban Nancy Gayle	52		Barbara Mitchell	7
2	Banana Smoothie	37		Barbara Watts	7
3	Emma's Curls	33		Big Red Wagon	7
4	Look Here Mary	30		Coach's Braided Angel	7
5	Sebastian the Crab	29		Planet Max	7
	Webster's Pink Wonder	29		Signature Truffle	7
7	Lillian's Legends and Lies	26		Wonder of It All	7
8	Dorothy and Toto	25		WYSISYG	7
	Double Blue Blood	25	63	All American Chief	6
	South Sea Enchantment	25		Hotlanta	6
11	Lava Flow	23		Loose Reins	6
12	Coffee to Go	22		Moonlit Masquerade	6
	King Kahuna	22		Nancy Billingslea	6
14	God Save the Queen	21		Nancy's Quilt	6
15	Beautiful Edgings	20		Rose Masterpiece	6
	Big Kiss	20		Shipwreck Cove	6
	How Beautiful Heaven Must Be	20	71	Fairhope Red Tailed Kite	5
	Pink Lemonade Party	20		Free Wheelin'	5
19	Tuscawilla Snowdrift	19		Get Jiggy	5
20	Crazy Ivan	18		Last Snowflake	5
21	Boundless Beauty	16		Persian Ruby	5
	Orange Velvet	16		Strawberry Candy	5
23	J. T. Davis	15		Tangerine Horses	5
	Lavender Blue Baby	15	78	Coach's Class Act	4
	Memphis	15		Coach's Laughing Eye	4
26	Talladega	14		Coach's Real Deal	4
27	Bela Lugosi	13		Evelyn Gates	4
	Coach's Hot lips	13		Jubilee Shrimp Boil	4
	Crazy Ivan	13		Just For Breakfast	4
	Lillian's Lying Eyes	13		Lillian's John Falck	4
	Lillian's Woman's Touch	13		Lillian's White Lies	4
	Lilly's Smile	13		Primal Scream	4
	Princess Diana	13		Seminole Wind	4
	Rose F. Kennedy	13		Spacecoast Gold Bonanza	4
	Savannah Debutante	13		Trahlyta	4
	Thin Man	13		Velvet Throne	4
	Wildman George	13		White Eyes Pink Dragon	4
38	Alabama Jubilee	12	92	Beyond Red	3
	Suburban Golden Eagle	12		Entwined in the Vine	3
40	Bali Watercolor	11		Light of the World	3
	Little Red Dumplings	11		Little Alabama	3
	Papa Goose	11	96	America's Most Wanted	2
	Point Clear Jubilee	11		Big Red Riding Hood	2
44	Mary's Gold	10		Clothed in Glory	2
	Mayor of Munchkinland	10		Debbie Daniels	2
	Red Volunteer	10		Lillian's Jack Temple	2
	Suburban Coach Burnham	10		Phyllis Riddle	2
	Suburban Wren	10		Rachel Billingslea	2
49	Double Screamer	9		Ruby Spider	2
	Linda Beck	9		Santa's Little Helper	2
51	Blazing Cannons	8		Song of the Sea	2
	Jessica Lynn Bell	8		Suburban Carey Roberts	2

*Photos of Top 10
2018 Region 14 Popularity Poll*



#1 H. **'Suburban Nancy Gayle'** (Watts 2004) (52)
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



#2 H. **'Banana Smoothie'** (George-T. 2006) (37)
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



#3 H. **'Emma's Curls'** (Falck-J. 2011) (33)
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



#4 H. **'Look Here Mary'** (Cranshaw 1986) (30)
(Photo by Nancy Falck)



#5 H. **'Sebastian the Crab'** (Joiner-J. 2003) (29)
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



#6 H. **'Webster's Pink Wonder'** (Webster-Cobb 3003) (29)
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



#7 H. **'Lillian's Legends and Lies'** (Manning 2015) (26)
(Photo by Nancy Falck)



#8 H. **'Dorothy and Toto'** (Herrington-K. 2003) (25)
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



#9 H. **'Double Blue Blood'** (George-T. 2003) (25)
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



#10 H. **'South Sea Enchantment'** (Billingslea 1996) (25)
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)

American Hemerocallis Society Region 14 2019 Popularity Poll Ballot

The Popularity Poll ballot is available in this issue of *The Dixie Daylily* and on the AHS Region 14 website. Mail or email your choices by September 1, 2019, or use the web-based ballot. Please submit your ballot in any form only once. Each member can vote for up to ten (10) registered cultivars. You have the option of writing in up to five (5) personal choices, should these choices not appear on the Regional ballot. Each AHS member is eligible to vote and is encouraged to do so. Thank you for your time.

Club Affiliation: _____, _____, _____

Please circle your choices:

Alabama Jubilee
All American Chief
Bali Watercolor
Banana Smoothie
Barbara Fuller
Barbara Mitchell
Barbara Watts
Beautiful Edgings
Bela Lugosi
Beyond Red
Big Kiss
Big Red Wagon
Blazing Cannons
Boundless Beauty
Clothed in Glory
Coach's Braided Angel
Coach's Class Act
Coach's Hot Lips
Coach's Laughing Eye
Coach's Real Deal
Coffee to Go
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Fairhope Red Tail Kite
Free Wheelin'
Get Jiggy
God Save the Queen
Hotlanta
How Beautiful Heaven Must Be
Jessica Lynn Bell
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Moses' Fire
Nancy Billingslea
Nancy's Quilt
Orange Velvet
Papa Goose
Persian Ruby
Phyllis Riddle
Pink Lemonade Party
Planet Max
Point Clear Jubilee
Primal Scream
Princess Diana
Red Volunteer
Rose F. Kennedy
Rose Masterpiece
Savannah Debutante
Sebastian the Crab
Scream and Shout
Seminole Wind
Sentinel Solar Burst
Shipwreck Cove
Signature Truffle
South Sea Enchantment
Spacecoast Gold Bonanza
Spider Man
Strawberry Candy
Suburban Coach Burnham
Suburban Golden Eagle
Suburban Nancy Gayle
Suburban Wren
Talladega
Tangerine Horses
Thin Man
Trahlyta
Tusawilla Snowdrift
Velvet Throne

Webster's Pink Wonder
White Eyes Pink Dragon
Wild Horses
Wildman George
Wonder of it All
WYSIWYG

Write in Choices:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Signature _____
Printed Name _____
Street _____
City _____
State _____ Zip _____

Mail to:

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Hemerocallis 'Suburban Nancy Gayle' (Watts 2004)
Winner of the Region 14 Popularity Poll:
2013, 2014, 2016, 2017, 2018
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)

Region 14 Popularity Poll

David Hall Memorial Award Winners

FRANCES FAY (Fay)	1961-66
CARTWHEELS (Fay-Russell)	1967
HORTENSIA (Branch)	1968, 1969
WINNING WAYS (Wild)	1970-75, 1976*
AMAZING GRACE (MacMillan)	1976*
GREEN GLITTER (Harrison)	1977
MY BELLE (Durio)	1978-81, 1983
MARTHA ADAMS (Spalding-W.)	1982
FAIRY TALE PINK (Pierce-C.)	1984-88, 1990
BECKY LYNN (Guidry)	1989
BARBARA MITCHELL (Pierce-C.)	1991-96
STRAWBERRY CANDY (Stamile)	1997-1999
MOONLIT MASQUERADE (Salter)	2000-02
ED BROWN (Salter)	2003
CLOTHED IN GLORY (Grace)	2004, 2006, 2007
LINDA BECK (Agin)	2008, 2009
DOUBLE BLUE BLOOD (George-T.)	2010, 2012, 2015
LINDA BECK (Agin)	2011
SUBURBAN NANCY GAYLE (Watts)	2013, 2014, 2016, 2017, 2018



H. 'Frances Fay' (Fay 1957)
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)

AHS Region 14

Regional Vice Presidents/Presidents

1957-1958	Ben Arthur Davis, Sr.	(MS)
1959-1961	Margaret Thompson	(AL)
1962-1964	Nancye Park	(MS)
1965-1967	Sally Lake	(AL)
1968-1970	Mynelle Hayward	(MS)
1971-1972	Tom Holman	(AL)
1973-1974	Ethel B. Smith	(MS)
1975-1976	Sarah Sikes	(AL)
1977-1978	Newell Howell	(MS)
1979-1980	Evelyn Buzbee	(AL)
1981-1982	Sallie Farley	(MS)
1983-1984	Joe Langdon	(AL)
1985-1986	Kelly Wall	(MS)
1987-1988	Jack Harrison	(AL)
1989-1990	Dr. Edward Warren	(MS)
1991-1992	Beverly Klamer	(AL)
1993-1994	Shelton Holliday	(MS)
1995-1996	Ruby Anderson	(AL)
1997-2000	Earl Watts	(MS)
2001-2002	Bill Robinson	(MS)
2003-2004	Oliver Billingslea	(AL)
2005-2008	John Falck	(AL)
2009-2010	Esker Harrison	(AL)
2011-2014	Jim Riddle	(AL)
2015-2016	C.P. Winters/Debbie Smith	(MS/AL)
2017-2018	Terese Goodson	(AL)
2019-	Henry Little	(MS)

AHS Region 14 Directors

1957-1959	None
1960-1961	Ethel B. Smith
1962	None
1963-1967	Dr. Walter Hava
1968-1969	Dr. Walter Hava
	Marion Broadnax
	Mrs. Angelo Primos
1970	Marion Broadnax
	Dr. Walter Hava (H)
1971-1972	Marion Broadnax
1973	Marion Broadnax
1974-1978	Olive Langdon
1979-1983	Sarah Sikes
1984	Sarah Sikes
	Joe Langdon
1985-1986	Joe Langdon
1987-1989	Mel Wallace
1990-1995	Jack Harrison
1996	Lorene Smith
	Oliver Billingslea
1996-2001	Oliver Billingslea
2002-2007	Barbara Watts
2008-2012	Nancy Falck
2013-2018	Oliver Billingslea
2018-	Debbie D. Smith

AHS Regional Service Awards

Region 14

In 1974, the AHS Board established this award for outstanding service to AHS at the regional level. Currently serving board members are not eligible. Only one AHS Regional Service Award may be awarded per region per year. A dual award for two members of the same family counts as one award. Nominations may come from any member of the nominees region. The AHS Board votes by secret ballot at the annual fall board meeting, and the award is presented at the following AHS National Convention.

Year	Recipient	State
1977	Sarah Sikes	Alabama
1978	James W. Terry	Mississippi
1979	Newell Howell	Mississippi
1981	Ethel Smith	Mississippi
1982	Nancye Park	Mississippi
1984	Sallie Farley	Mississippi
1997	Jack Harrison	Alabama
1998	Beverly Klamer	Alabama
2000	Kelly Wall	Mississippi
2002	Earl Watts	Mississippi
2005	Allen & Carolyn McLain	Mississippi
2007	Olive & Joe Langdon	Alabama
2008	Oliver Billingslea	Alabama
2009	Sarah Hegwood	Mississippi
2010	Barbara Watts	Mississippi
2011	John Falck	Alabama
2012	Shelton Holliday	Mississippi
2014	Fred Manning	Alabama
2015	Nancy Falck	Alabama
2016	Jim & Phyllis Riddle	Alabama
2017	Jim Chappell	Alabama
2018	Debbie D. Smith	Alabama



Debbie D. Smith receives the 2018 AHS Region 14 Regional Service Award from Claude Carpenter, Chair of Awards and Honors, at the National Convention. (Photo by Oliver Billingslea)

AHS Newsletter Awards

Best Regional Newsletter (1976-2018)

A plaque is given annually to the editor of the best regional newsletter. A committee is formed, typically including 3 past AHS Presidents, to select the winner. An award is also given to an editor for the best use of pictures and graphic art (see page 51).

Year	Editor	Region
1976	Sarah Sikes	14
1977	Elizabeth Anne Hudson	12
1978	John M. Allgood	15
1979	Kenneth Durio	13
1980	B. F. Ater	6
1981	Peggy Estes	11
1982	Gene Crocker	15
1983	Frances Gatlin	11
1984	Joyce Lewis	6
1985	Dorothea Boldt	13
1986	Kenneth D. Cobb, III	15
1987	Patricia Steinborn	11
1988	Nell Crandall	6
1989	Edith Butler	12
1990	Eleanor Warren	14
1991	Eugene Orgeron	6
1991	Jean Swann	5
1992	Earlene Garber	13
1993	Earlene Garber	13
1994	Jo-An Finke	11
1995	Betts Daume	8
1996	Richard K. Dixon	11
1997	Keith Kinney	6
1998	Tom Rood	4
1999	Barbara Dean	11
2000	Lee Pickles	10
2001	Allen McLain	14
2002	Muriel Walker	13
2003	Brenda Macy	10
2004	Brenda Macy	10
2005	Kaye Arnold	15
2006	Pat Loveland	8
2006	Oliver Billingslea	14
2007	Narda Jones	2
2008	Oliver Billingslea	14
2009	Narda Jones	2
2010	Kyle Billadeau	1
2011	Linda Sue Barnes	15
2012	Linda Sue Barnes	15
2013	Kyle Billadeau	1
2014	Adele Keohan	4
2015	Winnie Garabis	2
2016	Oliver Billingslea	14
2017	Kathy Tinius	15
2018	Claude Carpenter	5

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Region 14 Fall Regional Meeting Meridian, Mississippi



Diana and Bill Waldrop of Kennesaw Mountain Daylily Gardens in Marietta, Georgia were featured speakers at the Fall Regional Meeting in Meridian, Mississippi.

(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



Regional President, Terese Goodson, presided, accompanied here by Lois Smith, President of the Meridian Daylily Club, which hosted the Fall Meeting.

(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



Among those attending were several previous officers of the Region, including (counter-clockwise) Jim & Phyllis Riddle, Nancy & John Falck, Debbie D. Smith, and Jim & Kay Chappell.

(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)

AHS PHOTOGRAPHY AWARDS

The Mildred Schlumpf Photography Award

Given annually for the best color photograph in each of two categories: single bloom and landscape. Winners are chosen by committee.

Single Bloom (1998-2018)

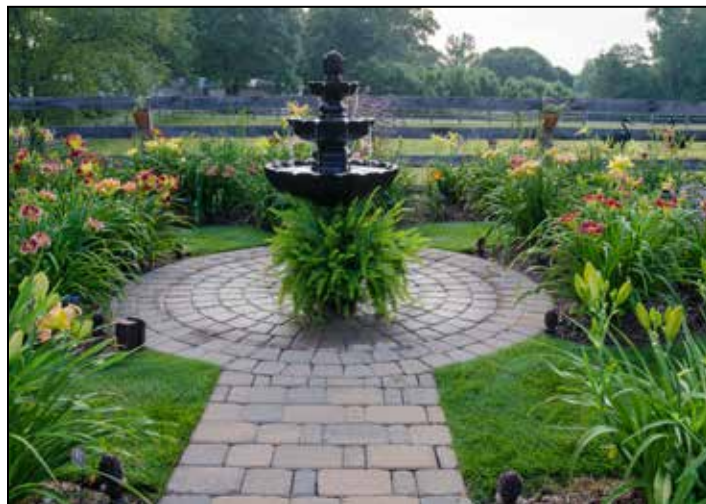
Year	Photographer
1998	Gene Koonce (Texas)
1999	Gene Koonce (Texas)
2000	Clint Barnes (Oklahoma)
2001	Oliver Billingslea (Alabama)
2002	Mary Gage (Texas)
2003	Kay Day (Missouri)
2004	Earl Watts (Mississippi)
2005	Duane Hurlbert (Ohio)
2006	Duane Hurlbert (Ohio)
2007	Duane Hurlbert (Ohio)
2008	Terri Money (Alabama)
2009	Oliver Billingslea (Alabama)
2010	Patrick Stamile (Florida)
2011	Chris Petersen (New York)
2012	John Stahl ((New York)
2013	Debi Kral (New York)
2014	Claude Carpenter (Georgia)
2015	Louise Taylor (Michigan)
2016	John Stahl (New York)
2017	John Stahl (New York)
2018	Deborah Sheckel (Illinois)



Winner in the 2016 Single Bloom Category
H. 'Purple Tarantula' (Gossard 2011)
(Photo by John Stahl)

Landscape (1998-2018)

Year	Photographer
1998	Jerry Benser (Wisconsin)
1999	Geraldine Couturier (Tennessee)
2001	Oliver Billingslea (Alabama)
2002	Barbara Watts (Mississippi)
2003	Debbie Hurlbert (Ohio)
2004	Kelly Riggs (Missouri)
2005	Kyle Billadeau (Minnesota)
2006	Duane Hurlbert (Ohio)
2007	Christine Petersen (New York)
2008	Kim Walters (New Hampshire)
2009	Susan Okrasinski (Tennessee)
2010	Oliver Billingslea (Alabama)
2011	Bobbie Brooks (Massachusetts)
2012	Christine Petersen (New York)
2013	Christine Petersen (New York)
2014	Paul Owen (North Carolina)
2015	Claude Carpenter (Georgia)
2016	Debbie Monbeck (Kentucky)
2017	Susan Okrasinski (Tennessee)
2018	Claude Carpenter (Georgia)



Winner in the 2015 Landscape Category
Carpenter Garden, Cumming, Georgia
(Photo by Claude Carpenter)

Multi-bloom (2011-2018)

Established in 2010 and first awarded in 2011, this award is for images of two blooms (minimum) up to an entire clump. Flower color and form must be true to cultivar.

Year	Photographer
2011	Debra Zimmerman (Tennessee)
2012	Claude Carpenter (Georgia)
2013	Susan Okrasinski (Tennessee)
2014	Charlie Harper (Ohio)
2015	Claude Carpenter (Georgia)
2016	Susan Okrasinski (Tennessee)

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Janice Kennedy (Virginia)
Claude Carpenter (Georgia)

2015
2016
2017
2018

Debra Scott (Minnesota)
Ginny Pearce (Michigan)
Vickie Goedde (Indiana)
Nicole Bull (Tennessee)



*Winner in the 2017 Multi-bloom Category
H. 'Axl Rose' (Cochenour 2009)
(Photo by Janice Kennedy)*

Other Great Photographs



*A finalist in the 2013 Artistic Category
A daylily scape reaches for the light
(Photo by Debi Kral)*

Artistic (2011-2018)

Established in 2010 and first awarded in 2011, images in this category should include all or part of a daylily bloom. This category may include, but is not limited to, images of bloom segments or parts of a bloom, profile shots of a bloom or blooms, garden art, garden critters, and images taken around the garden.

Year	Photographer
2011	Holly Wilson (South Carolina)
2012	Debbie Monbeck (Kentucky)
2013	Marianne Joordens (New Brunswick, Canada)
2014	John Stahl (New York)



*Winner in the 2014 Artistic Category
A syrphid fly pauses on the bud of H. 'Orangutan' (Reed 1991)
(Photo by John Stahl)*



*An outstanding portrait in the 2014 Single Bloom Category
H. 'Creature of the Night' (Reed 1999)
(Photo by Debi Kral)*



*Winner in the 2016 Multi-bloom Category
H. 'Neon Flamingo' (Gossard 2006)
(Photo by Susan Okrasinski)*



*Winner in the 2013 Single Bloom Category
H. 'Samadhi' (Clover 2002)
(Photo by Debi Kral)*



*Winner in the 2014 Single Bloom Category
H. 'Green Inferno' (Gossard 2006)
(Photo by Claude Carpenter)*



*Winner in the 2013 Artistic Category
H. 'Lucky Streak' (Murphy-J.P. 2007)
(Photo by Marianne Joordens)*



*Winner in the 2016 Landscape Category
Avon Garden, Indiana
(Photo by Debbie Monbeck)*

BERTRAND FARR SILVER MEDAL

(1950-2018)

Established in 1950 and named for an early daylily nurseryman, this medal is a distinguished honor for members who have attained outstanding results in the field of daylily hybridizing. In general this award should honor only one person annually, but two awards have been given on occasion. The award can only be given to a single individual. Nominations may be submitted by any AHS member to the AHS Awards & Honors Chairman by mail or email. A complete review of accomplishments should be made, including all awards, appearances on the Popularity Poll, and unusual accomplishments. Nominations are due by September 1st for the upcoming year. The AHS Board votes by secret ballot at the annual fall board meeting, and the award is presented at the following AHS National Convention.

Bertrand Farr Silver Medal winners are as follows:

1950	Arlow Burdette Stout	New York
1951	Carl Milliken	California
1952	Mary Lester	Georgia
1953	Elizabeth Nesmith	Massachusetts
1954	Ezra J. Kraus	Oregon
1955	Ophelia Taylor	Florida
1956	David F. Hall	Illinois
1957	Ralph W. Wheeler	Florida
1958	Hugh M. Russell	Texas
1959	Elmer A. Claar	Illinois
1960	LeMoine J. Bechtold	Colorado
1961	Hooper J. Connell	Louisiana
1962	Orville W. Fay	Illinois
1963	Frank W. Childs	Georgia
1964	Hamilton P. Traub	California
1965	Edna Spalding	Louisiana
1966	W.B. MacMillan	Louisiana
1967	R. William Munson, Jr.	Florida
1968	Hubert A. Fischer	Illinois
1969	Wilmer B. Flory	Indiana
1970	Robert A. Griesbach	Illinois
1970	George E. Lenington	Missouri
1971	Sally Lake	Alabama
1972	Virginia Peck	Tennessee
1973	Charles Reckamp	Illinois
1974	James E. Marsh	Illinois
1975	Allen J. Wild	Missouri
1976	John R. Lambert, Jr.	North Carolina
1977	Clara Mae Pittard	Louisiana
1978	Lucille Williamson	Texas
1979	R.M. Kennedy, III	South Carolina
1980	Elsie Spalding	Louisiana
1981	Edward F. Grovatt	New Jersey
1982	Clarke M. Yancey	Georgia
1983	Ury G. Winniford	Texas
1984	Oscie B. Whatley, Jr.	Missouri
1985	Pauline Henry	Arkansas
1986	David Kirchhoff	Florida

1987	Van Sellers	North Carolina
1988	Kenneth G. Durio, Jr.	Louisiana
1989	Charlie Pierce	Alabama
1990	Lucille Guidry	Louisiana
1991	Bryant Millikan	Indiana
1992	Steve Moldovan	Ohio
1993	Enman R. Joiner	Georgia
1994	Kate Carpenter	North Carolina
1995	Lee E. Gates	Louisiana
1996	Sarah Sikes	Alabama
1997	Patrick Stamile	Florida
1998	Clarence J. Crochet	Louisiana
1999	Ra Hansen	Florida
2000	Morton L. Morss	Florida
2001	Elizabeth Hudson Salter	Florida
2002	Curt Hanson	Ohio
2002	David Talbott	Florida
2003	Jeff Salter	Florida
2004	Edwin C. Brown	Florida
2005	Dr. Charles E. Branch	Illinois
2006	Dr. Darrel Apps	New Jersey
2007	Ned Roberts	Colorado
2008	Jack Carpenter	Texas
2009	Jan Joiner	Georgia
2010	Dan Trimmer	Florida
2011	Clayton Burkey	Pennsylvania
2012	Grace Stamile	California
2013	Margo Reed	Virginia
2014	Tim Herrington	Georgia
2015	Jack Temple	Florida
2016	John Kinnebrew, Jr.	Florida
2017	Dottie Warrell	Ohio
2018	Jim Murphy	Virginia



HELEN FIELD FISCHER GOLD MEDAL

1950-2018

Established in 1950, this is the Society's highest honor and is the official recognition for distinguished and meritorious service rendered the AHS by a member on the national level. It is named for the founder of the American Hemerocallis Society. In general this award should honor only one person annually, but two awards have been given on occasion. A dual award to two members of the same family will count as one. Nominations may be submitted by any AHS member to the AHS Awards & Honors Chairman by mail or email. Nominations are due by September 1st for the upcoming year. The AHS Board votes by secret ballot at the annual fall board meeting, and the award is presented at the following AHS National Convention.

Previous honorees:

1950	Helen Field Fischer	Iowa
1951	M. Frederick Stuntz	New York
1952	Viola Richards	Indiana
1953	Gretchen Harshbarger	Iowa
1954	Bess Ross	Iowa
1955	George E. Lenington	Missouri
1956	F. Edgar Rice	Oklahoma
1957	Hugh M. Russell	Texas
1958	Elmer A. Claar	Illinois
1959	Wilmer B. Flory	Indiana
1960	Mrs. Carl Marcue	Iowa
1961	D. R. McKeithan	Oklahoma
1962	Frances Lamb	Kentucky
1963	Ophelia Taylor	Florida
1964	Hubert A. Fischer	Illinois
1965	Olive Hindman	Florida
1966	Lula Mae Purnell	Texas
1967	Ben Parry	Tennessee
1968	William E. Monroe	Louisiana
1969	George M. Darrow	Maryland
1970	Bertie Ferris	Texas
1970	Hyta Mederer	Georgia
1971	Walter C. Hava	Mississippi
1972	Molly Wheeler	Illinois
1973	Ethel Smith	Mississippi
1974	George T. Pettus	Missouri
1975	Willard Gardner	North Carolina
1975	Louise Simon	Louisiana
1976	Edna Lankart	Texas
1977	Ruth Mannoni	Kansas
1978	Betty Barnes	Mississippi
1979	Luther J. Cooper, Jr.	North Carolina
1980	Martha B. Hadley	Missouri
1980	Shirley Gene Wild	Missouri
1981	Daisy L. Ferrick	Kansas
1982	Olive Langdon	Alabama
1983	Mildred Schlumpf	Texas
1984	Lucia Bjorkman	Texas

1985	Luke Senior, Jr.	Arkansas
1986	Sarah Sikes	Alabama
1987	Ida Munson	Florida
1988	Betty Woods	Georgia
1989	Mavis G. Smith	Missouri
1990	Virginia Peck	Tennessee
1991	Selma Timmons	Georgia
1991	R. W. Munson, Jr.	Florida
1992	Clarence J. Crochet	Louisiana
1993	Elly Launius	Mississippi
1993	Frances Gatlin	Missouri
1994	Dorothea Boldt	Louisiana
1995	Bob Brooks	California
1996	Bill & Mary Anne Ater	Texas
1997	Annie Weinreich	Texas
1998	Jack Harrison	Alabama
1999	William C. Monroe	Louisiana
2000	Peggy Estes	Oklahoma
2000	Earlene Garber	Louisiana
2001	David Kirchhoff	Florida
2002	Nell Jessup	Georgia
2003	Virginia Henson	Texas
2004	Hal Rice	Michigan
2005	Ken Cobb	North Carolina
2006	Wayne Johnson	Florida
2007	Kay Day Pricola	California
2008	Pat Mercer	Georgia
2009	Roswitha Waterman	New York
2009	Lee Pickles	Tennessee
2010	Bill and Jean Norris	Florida
2011	Jim and Peggy Jeffcoat	South Carolina
2012	Kevin P. Walek	Virginia
2013	Timothy J. Fehr	Wisconsin
2014	Joanne Larson	Illinois
2015	Earl and Barbara Watts	Mississippi
2016	Gisela Meckstroth	Ohio
2017	Dan and Jackie Bachman	Ohio
2018	Julie Covington	Virginia



The Stout Silver Medal

1950-2018

One of the most satisfying historical collections a gardener can undertake is the establishment of a Stout Medal Bed, complete with all the winners, 1950-2018. For the past 68 years, only one cultivar each year has been honored with the Stout Silver Medal. The winner is selected each year by American Hemerocallis Society (AHS) accredited Garden Judges.



1950 H. **'Hesperus'** (Sass-H.P. 1940)



1953 H. **'Revolute'** (Sass-H.P. 1944)



1951 H. **'Painted Lady'** (Russell 1942)



1954 H. **'Dauntless'** (Stout-A.B. 1944)



1952 H. **'Potentate'** (Nesmith 1943)



1955 H. **'Prima Donna'** (Taylor 1946)



1956 H. **'Naranja'** (Wheeler 1947)



1960 H. **'Fairy Wings'** (Lester 1953)



1957 H. **'Ruffled Pinafore'** (Milliken 1948)



1961 H. **'Playboy'** (Wheeler 1954)



1958 H. **'High Noon'** (Milliken 1948)



1962 H. **'Bess Ross'** (Claar 1951)



1959 H. **'Salmon Sheen'** (Taylor 1950)



1963 H. **'Multnomah'** (Kraus 1954)



1964 H. **'Frances Fay'** (Fay 1957)



1968 H. **'Satin Glass'** (Fay-Hardy 1960)



1965 H. **'Luxury Lace'** (Spalding 1959)



1969 H. **'May Hall'** (Hall-D.F. 1957)



1966 H. **'Cartwheels'** (Fay 1956)



1970 H. **'Ava Michelle'** (Flory 1960)



1967 H. **'Full Reward'** (McVicker-Murphey 1960)



1971 H. **'Renee'** (Dill 1962)



1972 H. **'Hortensia'** (Branch 1964)



1976 H. **'Green Flutter'** (Williamson 1964)



1973 H. **'Lavender Flight'** (Spalding 1963)



1977 H. **'Green Glitter'** (Harrison 1964)



1974 H. **'Winning Ways'** (Wild 1963)



1978 H. **'Mary Todd'** (Fay 1967)



1975 H. **'Clarence Simon'** (MacMillan 1966)



1979 H. **'Moment of Truth'** (MacMillan 1969)



1980 H. **'Bertie Ferris'** (Winniford 1969)



1984 H. **'My Belle'** (Durio 1973)



1981 H. **'Ed Murray'** (Grovatt 1971)



1985 H. **'Stella de Oro'** (Jablonski 1976)



1982 H. **'Ruffled Apricot'** (Baker 1972)



1986 H. **'Janet Gayle'** (Guidry 1976)



1983 H. **'Sabie'** (MacMillan 1974)



1987 H. **'Becky Lynn'** (Guidry 1977)



1988 H. **'Martha Adams'** (Spalding-W. 1979)



1992 H. **'Barbara Mitchell'** (Pierce-C. 1984)



1989 H. **'Brocaded Gown'** (Millikan 1979)



1993 H. **'Siloam Double Classic'** (Henry-P. 1985)



1990 H. **'Fairy Tale Pink'** (Pierce-C. 1980)



1994 H. **'Janice Brown'** (Brown-E.C. 1986)



1991 H. **'Betty Woods'** (Kirchhoff-D. 1980)



1995 H. **'Neal Berrey'** (Sikes 1985)



1996 H. **'Wedding Band'** (Stamile 1987)



2000 H. **'Elizabeth Salter'** (Salter 1990)



1997 H. **'Always Afternoon'** (Morss 1987)



2001 H. **'Ida's Magic'** (Munson-I. 1988)



1998 H. **'Strawberry Candy'** (Stamile 1989)



2002 H. **'Bill Norris'** (Kirchhoff-D. 1993)



1999 H. **'Custard Candy'** (Stamile 1989)



2003 H. **'Primal Scream'** (Hanson-C. 1994)



2004 H. **'Moonlit Masquerade'** (Salter 1992)



2008 H. **'All American Chief'** (Sellers 1994)



2005 H. **'Fooled Me'** (Reilly 1994)



2009 H. **'Skinwalker'** (Roberts-N. 1997)



2006 H. **'Ed Brown'** (Salter 1994)



2007 H. **'Lavender Blue Baby'** (Carpenter-J. 1996)



2010 H. **'J.T. Davis'** (Grace-L. 1999)



2011 H. **'North Wind Dancer'** (Schaben 2001)
(Photo by Kathleen Nordstrom)



2014 H. **'Webster's Pink Wonder'** (Webster-Cobb 2003)



2012 H. **'Carnival in Mexico'** (Santa Lucia 2000)
(Photo by Lynn Thor)



2015 H. **'Dorothy and Toto'** (Herrington-K. 2003)



2013 H. **'Heavenly Angel Ice'** (Gossard 2003)
(Photo by Tim Fehr)



2016 H. **'Rose F. Kennedy'** (Doorakian 2007)
(Photo by Patsy Cunningham)



2017 H. **'Heavenly United We Stand'** (Gossard 2009)



2018 H. **'Entwined in the Vine'** (Emmerich 2007)

The Lenington All-American Award *1970-2018*

The Lenington All-American Award is given to cultivars that are adaptable over a wide geographic area. Its method of selection is different from that of the Stout Silver Medal. Whereas the Stout award is voted annually by AHS Garden Judges, the Lenington award is selected by the AHS Board of Directors from a slate prepared by the Awards & Honors Chair. In 1970, to encourage the development of daylilies that would perform in most parts of the country, George E. Lenington, of Kansas City, Missouri, originated the Lenington All-American Award. In 1955, in recognition of his service to the Society, George Lenington was honored with the Helen Field Fisher Award, the Society's highest honor. In 1970, he received the Bertrand Farr Award, for outstanding accomplishments in the field of hybridizing. There have been 48 recipients.



1970 H. 'Frances Fay' (Fay 1957)



1970 H. 'Luxury Lace' (Spalding 1959)



1971 H. 'Satin Glass' (Fay-Hardy 1960)



1972 H. **'Skiatook Cardinal'** (Hancock 1960)



1976 H. **'Clarence Simon'** (MacMillan 1966)



1973 H. **'Green Valley'** (Fischer-H. A. 1955)



1977 H. **'White Formal'** (Lenington-G. 1965)
(Photo by Louise James)



1974 H. **'Winsome Lady'** (Gates-W.R. 1964)



1975 H. **'Jest'** (Searles 1963)
(Photo by Bryce Farnsworth)



1978 H. **'Hope Diamond'** (MacMillan 1968)
(Photo by Janice Wood)



1979 H. **'Oriental Ruby'** (Fischer-H.A. 1968)
(Photo by Christine Petersen)



1983 H. **'Ed Murray'** (Grovvatt 1971)



1980 H. **'Green Flutter'** (Williamson 1964)



1984 H. **'Red Rum'** (Pittard 1974)
(Photo by Rich Rosen)



1981 H. **'Prester John'** (Allgood 1972)
(Photo by Debbie Monbeck)



1985 H. **'Olive Bailey Langdon'** (Munson-R. W. 1974)
(Photo by Jacki Kropf)



1982 H. **'Raindrop'** (Kennedy 1982)



1986 H. **'Yesterday Memories'** (Spalding-W. 1976)
(Photo by Dave Winter)



1987 H. **'Golden Prize'** (Peck 1968)
(Photo by Christine Petersen)



1991 H. **'Condilla'** (Grooms 1977)
(Photo by Christine Petersen)



1988 H. **'Lullaby Baby'** (Spalding-W. 1975)
(Photo by Marifran Hiltz)



1993 H. **'Beauty to Behold'** (Sellers 1978)
(Photo by Francois Verhaert)



1989 H. **'Russian Rhapsody'** (Munson-R. W. 1973)
(Photo by Kirsten Hatfield)



1990 H. **'Joan Senior'** (Durio 1977)
(Photo by Lea Ann Williams)



1994 H. **'Chorus Line'** (Kirchhoff-D. 1981)
(Photo by Marifran Hiltz)



1995 H. **'Designer Jeans'** (Sikes 1983)



1998 H. **'Paper Butterfly'** (Morss 1983)
(Photo by Chuck Hubbell)



1996 H. **'Kate Carpenter'** (Munson-R. W. 1980)
(Photo by Debbie Monbeck)



1999 H. **'Orange Velvet'** (Joiner 1988)
(Photo by Beth Creveling)



1997 H. **'Smoky Mountain Autumn'** (Guidry 1986)
(Photo by Christine Petersen)



2000 H. **'Jason Salter'** (Salter-E. H. 1987)
(Photo by Debbie Monbeck)



2001 H. **'Ming Porcelain'** (Kirchhoff-D. 1981)
(Photo by David Kirchhoff)



2004 H. **'Red Volunteer'** (Oakes 1984)



2002 H. **'Midnight Magic'** (Kinnebrew 1979)
(Photo by Christine Petersen)



2005 H. **'Mary's Gold'** (McDonnell-H. 1984)



2003 H. **'Jan's Twister'** (Joiner-J. 1991)
(Photo by Rich Rosen)



2006 H. **'Beautiful Edgings'** (Copenhaver 1989)



2007 H. **'Bela Lugosi'** (Hanson-C. 1995)
(Photo by Christine Petersen)



2010 H. **'Peggy Jeffcoat'** (Joiner-J. 1995)
(Photo by Cecil Broady)



2008 H. **'King Kahuna'** (Crochet 1994)



2011 H. **'Ruby Spider'** (Stamile 1991)
(Photo by Karen Newman)



2009 H. **'Trahlyta'** (Childs-F. 1982)
(Photo by Tim Fehr)



2012 H. **'Spacecoast Tiny Perfection'** (Kinnebrew-J. 1998)
(Photo by Tim Fehr)



2015 H. **'Her Best Bloomers'** (Herr-D. 2001)
(Photo by Julie Covington)



2013 H. **'Thin Man'** (Trimmer 2002)
(Photo by Julie Covington)



2016 H. **'God Save The Queen'** (Morss 2005)



2014 H. **'Victorian Lace'** (Stamile 1999)



2017 H. **'Margo Reed Indeed'** (Murphy-J.P. 2004)
(Photo by Marianne Joordans)



2018 *H.* 'White Eyes Pink Dragon' (Gossard 2006)

SIRI Is Out, But My GPS Is In!!

Region 14 Display Gardens in a Nutshell

by Terese Goodson

I looked up “Siri” on the Internet and was a bit surprised to read that she is a personal digital assistant who understands relationships and context and can do things for you. She is supposed to keep you connected and informed. Yeah, right! Siri and I have been together for years and we STILL have not bonded. I can’t count on her for help, so I usually don’t even bother to try. On the other hand, I have fallen in love with my GPS. He has guided me through all the back roads and rural hideaways in Alabama and Mississippi where Region 14’s Display Gardens are located. It may have taken me two years, but we have been a successful team as we visited 20 different gardens together.

The Hattens’ *Chisel Ridge Garden* in Perkinston, MS, is the newest Display Garden in the region. It began as an old inherited farm site and has since become home to over 500 daylilies in a variety of large, sweeping beds. A long, rectangular bed lines the driveway and separates the mowed pastures from the garden areas. Birdhouses, a bottle tree, yard art, numerous trees, and unusual plants add to the appeal of this garden. I’m grateful that I just get to enjoy the natural beauty here rather than keep that property mowed! Kenny and Debbie are enjoying retirement and their lovely flowers. Their sweet little grandson should grow up planting daylilies, too!

Suburban Daylilies in Hattiesburg, MS, is familiar to most daylily lovers throughout Alabama and Mississippi. Barbara and Earl Watts have shared their beautiful garden overlooking the waters of Lake Serene for many years with numerous visitors. When Hattiesburg was named the first “Daylily City” in the United States, it was because this couple spent years behind the scenes promoting daylilies and serving as mentors to the Hattiesburg Area Daylily Society. Earl’s *Hemerocallis ‘Suburban Nancy Gayle’* (2004) can be seen at rest stops all over MS since it was named the 2015 Mississippi Medallion Award Winner. A large clump of this lovely cultivar greets visitors at the front driveway entrance to the garden. An array of birdhouses tucked around the property brings a smile to everyone’s face. Besides having a huge collection of daylilies, this garden is host to Asiatic lilies, trellising vines, blueberry and blackberry bushes, and a host of other plants and foliage. Suburban hosted the Sally Lake Bed for the 2017 spring meeting. Daylilies for sale are in pots and arranged on a plastic tarp for easy selection, but you have to get to the garden early. The pots disappear quickly when daylily enthusiasts arrive.



Chisel Ridge Garden
(Photo by Terese Goodson)



Suburban Daylilies
(Photo by Terese Goodson)

A hidden gem in the Vestavia-Birmingham, AL, area is *Tabby Tails Garden*, hosted by Edna Alderman. A tiny guest house beckons you to stop for a while and enjoy the many views of this terraced garden. Daylilies are tucked away under evergreens, near Japanese maples, and next to the cannas. A huge variety of colorful plants draws the eye and ample garden art keeps visitors smiling at the whimsy.

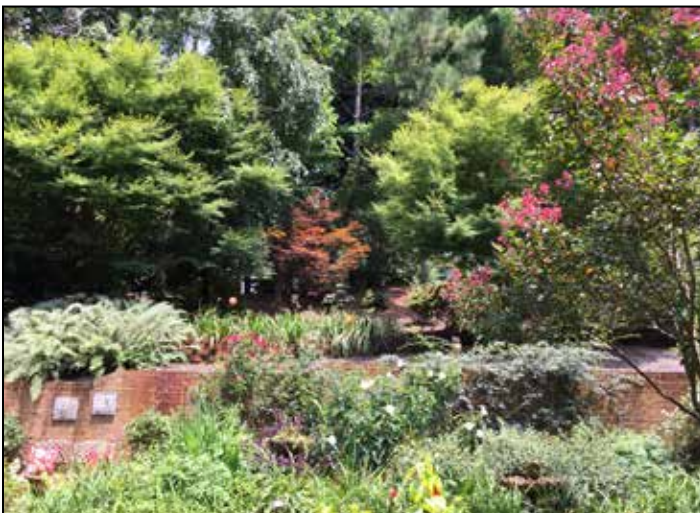
The Dixie Daylily



Welcome sign at Tabby Tails Garden
(Photo by Terese Goodson)



Daylily Hollow in Collinsville, MS
(Photo by Terese Goodson)



Tabby Tails Garden
(Photo by Terese Goodson)



"Delightful Doubles" Bed at Daylily Hollow
(Photo by Terese Goodson)

A bench next to a shrimp plant tree gives you a chance to admire this unusual specimen. No one would guess what is hidden in this back yard. Don't miss this garden! Plan to stay for a while.

Daylily Hollow may be new for the region, but it has many areas of interest to enjoy for any daylily enthusiast. Philip Odom prepared this garden site as a gift for his wife, Beverly. Beds are listed with captivating names—Marvelous Miniatures, Delightful Doubles, Unique Unusual Form, etc.—who wouldn't want to explore? An AHS Historic Bed boasts over 285 cultivars hybridized before 1980. Bird baths, statues, trellises, and other details add to the charm at the Hollow. Cars often line the street just to admire the sweeping beauty visible from the road. Garden clubs and Master Gardeners can't wait to visit and photograph the many flowers happily blooming. Come see for yourself! Beverly posts lovely flower photos on Facebook. She also has won Region 14 photography awards for her work. Oh, this would also be a great time to say "thanks" to Beverly for continuing to serve as the Region 14 secretary.

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If you are looking for a peaceful hideaway on Lake Jordan in Titus, AL, then you must stop to visit the **Whetstone Garden by the Lake**. Charlotte and Mabrey Whetstone will greet you with iced tea and then let you travel around the lakefront property and see mounds of daylilies waving at the passing boats on the water. Clumps of red, orange, and yellow daylilies waving in the breeze have many boaters pulling up near the dock just to admire the scenery. What a great way to promote our favorite flower! Pots of hostas line the driveway, followed by birdhouses galore, and other whimsical yard art. A wall of Asiatic lilies in a variety of colors is breathtaking. These former teachers/school administrators have found peace in the garden as they enjoy a well-deserved retirement.

My GPS got me close to **Dunn's Daylily Garden** in Hayden, AL, but this time my good friend failed me. This garden was truly a rural treasure! I knew I had arrived to the right place when I saw an entire front fence covered in zinnias! DeLois Dunn was sorting the peaches she had picked



*H. 'Beautiful Edgings' (Copenhaver 1989) in Whetstone Garden
(Photo by Terese Goodson)*



*H. 'Big Kiss' (Joiner 1991) in Whetstone Garden
(Photo by Terese Goodson)*

that morning and was a welcome sight to this weary traveler. Besides being a daylily garden, this is a working farm for cattle and seasonal vegetables – the work may never end, but the joy and beauty of this location stay in your heart. DeLois has built a huge following in the community for her fried pies filled with fruit from the garden, but you would have to get to the local farmers market and festivals quite early to ever grab one for yourself. This Display Garden boasts many lovely plants that complement daylilies and the beds extend across the property. It is a destination in itself.



*Dunn's Daylily Garden
(Photo by Terese Goodson)*

The long, straight driveway in Fairhope leads directly to **Hem Haven**, the delightful garden of Nancy and John Falck. You can't miss the historic daylily section, or the miniatures, the Stout collection, the doubles, a UFO bed, plus many other lovely cultivars. Both of these daylily enthusiasts are hybridizers. It is a joy to see Nancy's newest doubles. John's *H. 'Emma's Curls'* (2011) is one of my personal favorites. The latest seeds have already been planted and rows of new daylilies are already beginning to appear in the soil mixture. Sale daylilies are available in pots, alphabetically arranged. Stay awhile. This garden has plenty of beds and garden areas to keep your attention.

The **Huntsville Botanical Garden** has hosted numerous daylily meetings and activities. The daylily gardens are always a joy to visit and photograph. Rosa Belle Van

The Dixie Daylily



*H. 'Mary Lois Burgess' (Kirchhoff-D. 2000) at Hem Haven
(Photo by Terese Goodson)*



*Shakespeare Bust at Huntsville Botanical Garden
(Photo by Terese Goodson)*



*Hem Haven
(Photo by Terese Godson)*



*Stout Medal Bed at Huntsville Botanical Garden
(Photo by Terese Goodson)*

Valkenburgh, the local liaison for the garden, was honored by having the daylily section in the garden named after her. Luckily, a group of volunteers maintains this section of approximately 800 cultivars for all to enjoy. Beds of colorful spring flowers are everywhere, as are raised vegetable gardens, unusual trees, wonderful artwork, and beauty everywhere. The North Alabama Daylily Society is so fortunate to have their meetings conducted in this location.

Nancy and Edd Chain's *FigLily Acres*, Sumrall, MS, has been one of the gardens on display for the Spring Region 14 meeting when Hattiesburg hosts. So many treasures are in view, from garden art to companion plants to clumps of daylilies. Unexpected finds include a wagon filled with colorful annuals, a wheelbarrow mounding with creeping jenny, another with caladiums, and pots covered in elephant ears and coleus—how fun! Color combinations in the beds are delightful. One perfect example of this was the *H. 'Suburban Virginia Kirkpatrick'* (Watts 2008) display. The yellow daylily and pink verbena complemented each other very well. This garden was also home to the largest shrimp plant I have ever seen—simply lovely!

Another garden on tour for the spring regional meeting was Connie and Don Montgomery's *Montgomery Gar-*



FigLily Acres
(Photo by Terese Goodson)



H. 'Suburban Virginia Kirkpatrick' at FigLily Acres
(Photo by Terese Goodson)



Rustic wheelbarrow at FigLily
(Photo by Terese Goodson)

dens in Hattiesburg. When they first hosted in the garden, Connie was as nervous as she could be. Fast forward to now and the gardens boast a Stout Medal Collection, a Lenington Awards garden, miniatures, and other sections. New beds have been added to accommodate additional cultivars, each with wide pathways for easy viewing. There is so much added whimsy here that you don't want to miss any of it. Potted plants, succulents, Peruvian lilies, caladiums, etc., all add to the interest. The double Rose of Sharon bushes are colorful and add a nice background.



Stout Medal sign in Montgomery Garden
(Photo by Terese Goodson)



Potted Plants at Montgomery Garden
(Photo by Terese Goodson)

I have visited *Lilies of the Field* in Midland City, AL, several times over the past few years and my GPS has faithfully led me there each time. Carolyn and B. J. Yance were tour hosts when Dothan hosted the spring meeting for Region 14 and they graciously opened their garden to a busload of daylily lovers from the Montgomery Area Daylily Society as part of a three day trek. When I was asked to submit an article to *The Daylily Journal* about one of the region's hybridizers, I made another visit this spring to collect more background information on the garden. How nice it was to discover not one, but two hybridizers! The cackling chickens will announce your arrival and B. J. will hop on a golf cart and drive you all over the acreage. You will be glad you are riding in the cart because this garden extends forever. Huge greenhouses allow both the Yances ample space for hybridizing and evaluating new seedlings. Numerous seating areas are scattered throughout the garden so visitors can sit and enjoy the statuary, wishing well, lovely companion plants, and just the garden's sweeping beauty. Take a trip down to the Wiregrass area of Alabama. You won't regret it.

Look carefully for his unique birdhouses. Arthur has donated several of these one of a kind creations to Region 14 for auctions and his work has caused a stir during the AHS/ADS Facebook online auctions. This particular visit came right after a Sunday afternoon rain, but it didn't dampen anyone's enthusiasm for daylilies. I noticed many changes to this garden from my prior visit. New beds and walkways and many new cultivars have been added. A large variety of stunning irises in an array of color were in bloom. Companion plants and annuals join the garden art and trellises. Large rocks add an interesting border to several of the beds. The Woods family sells daylilies and irises from their garden. They are one of the few Display Gardens that do, so be sure to bring your checkbook! You are unlikely to leave empty handed.



Windmill and H. 'Pappy Gates' (Gates-W.R. 1959) at *Lilies of the Field*
(Photo by Terese Goodson)



Kahatchee Gardens
(Photo by Terese Goodson)

If you are close to Childersburg, AL, be sure to stop by *Kahatchee Gardens*, home to Arthur and Glenda Woods. If you are especially lucky, Glenda may fix a batch of her homemade banana pudding for you to enjoy after the visit. Arthur's woodworking skills will be in evidence as you meander paths to the daylilies, irises, and a host of other plants.

When my GPS directed me to travel into Louisiana to head to *Rolling Oaks Daylilies* in Picayune, MS, I knew I was in big trouble. Region 14 only supports gardens in AL/MS, so how could this be? I pulled over and looked at a map of Mississippi, and there it was—you head into LA for just a short while to connect to I-59. What a relief! My wonderful GPS still hadn't failed me. I was just being a "doubting Thomas" for a few nervous moments. Back on the road again in minutes, it didn't take long to spot Kay and Gerard Cline's flower filled garden. Hanging ferns adorn the porch bordered by colorful coleus. The butterflies and hummingbirds must love the angelonias, zinnias, and salvias tucked in throughout the beds. A banana plant and a tall morning glory vine are unexpected finds. Garden statues make happy additions to the yard art. Live oaks cool the house and give visitors a respite from the heat. Head out to the back and your eye is drawn to acres of daylilies with easy to walk

paths. This garden is what flower lovers dream about as they plan their own designs. No wonder Kay has won many Region 14 photography awards!



Rolling Oaks Daylilies
(Photo by Terese Goodson)

Your eye is drawn to the blue bottle tree and the iris in full bloom. The cooler temperatures in this area must make the iris very happy and healthy. Garden art, statuary, a soothing fountain, and colorful containers filled with flowers and hostas all add to the visual picture. A “Pottin’ Shed” looks like a very useful building. How Kay and Jim have managed to be such resources to Region 14 and STILL maintain this beautiful garden is beyond me! Thanks, Jim, for your continued service as treasurer for AL/MS.



Chappell Gardens
(Photo by Terese Goodson)



H. ‘Creative Legacy’ (Joiner-J. 2008) at Rolling Oaks Daylilies
(Photo by Terese Goodson)



H. ‘Ten Gallon Hat’ (Trimmer 2006) at Chappell Gardens
(Photo by Terese Goodson)

Because Warrior, AL, is a bedroom community to Birmingham, I expected **Chappell Gardens** to be a small, rural home site. It was quite a nice surprise to head out to the back yard and notice that it looked like it spread out for miles. Kay and Jim Chappell have a lovely property and daylilies are in abundance. The various elevations of the land make the views even more spectacular. A fluffy red kitty watches my every move as I admire the huge garden area. Brick lined paths head towards a lovely rose arbor and you’ll pass bed after bed of daylilies, each carefully marked with locations. I should have done that in my garden years ago!

Diamond Valley Garden in Guntersville, AL, is home to two more Region 14 hybridizers, Martha and Jim Brazelton. You’ll be close to lovely Guntersville Lake as you head to the outskirts of town to discover this garden treasure. Newly erected beds, long seedling beds, rectangular beds lined with a decorative brick border, beds near

a lake that Jim developed—all of these add to the sense of quiet and serenity in this garden. The trickling sound of water stems from a rock waterfall; again, another of Jim’s creations. Coneflowers, containers filled with flowers, a large blue bottle tree, and a “rogue” BAMA sign lead you to the shaded carport and beckon you to have a seat and rest a bit. Martha and Jim acted like proud parents as they commented on their newest seedlings in the front of the house. It must be fun to awaken and visit your “babies” first thing every morning during bloom season!

The *Osher Lifelong Learning Institute* in Hattiesburg, MS, was a Region 14 Display Garden for many years as part of the campus of the University of Southern Mississippi. Sadly, as budgets were cut for building and grounds maintenance at USM, the daylily garden at this site could no longer be supported and maintained and the Display Garden sign was removed. One sign remains though, honoring Jon Tibbetts, a longtime Director for the program, “for dedication and work to beautify the OLLI garden”.

The GPS led me to *Shantih Daylily Garden* in Bluff Park, AL, only to find the street was closed for road repairs. A few wrong turns around several neighborhood streets, then I was back in business for a visit with Judi and Paul Aucoin. If the last name sounds familiar, it is because Paul has served as webmaster for Region 14 for more years than I can remember. Since retirement and travel opportunities are



Diamond Valley Garden
(Photo by Terese Goodson)



Lilium at Shantih Daylily Gardens
(Photo by Terese Goodson)



H. ‘Little Big Red Riding Hood’ (Brazelton-J. 2015) at Diamond Valley
(Photo by Terese Goodson)



Passionflower vine at Shantih Daylily Gardens
(Photo by Terese Goodson)

loudly calling, Paul has resigned his position, effective at the end of 2018. Thanks, Paul, for all of your service to AL/MS. The Shantih Garden was a delight to visit. Daylilies line the driveway and are also arranged as a partial border in the front yard. A Japanese maple at the entrance is a burgundy marvel. The garden has several terraced levels behind the house overlooking a small or large stream, depending on the weather. (Lawn furniture, plants, and other items were swept downstream a few years back during a raging storm.) Repurposed garden art, spectacular concrete and metal benches, and large wind sculptures keep the eyes focused on each foliage filled level. A passionflower vine was unexpected, as was a huge spotted lily adorning the walkway. It's sad that this garden will not be a Display Garden in 2019. The travel bug is just too strong for these two active retirees to stay home!

I visited two additional Region 14 Display Gardens in 2017 but, unfortunately, they are no longer on the current roster. Terah and Jesse George of *JTM Gardens* are both well-known daylily hybridizers and many of you still enjoy *H. 'Banana Smoothie'* (George-T. 2006), the 2017 Ned Roberts Spider/Unusual Form Award Winner; *'Double Blueblood'* (George-T. 2005); and the Coach's series of daylilies. My son and I enjoyed hopping on the golf carts and getting a short history of the garden from either Jessie's or Terah's perspective. While the Georges may have downsized, their green peppers and tomatoes were still plentiful and we went home with bags of garden treasures. The Bleeding Heart Vine cutting they shared is blooming as I write this article. Thanks go to the Georges for being daylily pioneers and avid supporters of this region.



Bleeding Heart Vine from JTM Gardens
(Photo by Terese Goodson)



Lunsford Garden
(Photo by Terese Goodson)



H. 'Banana Smoothie' (George-T. 2010) at JTM Gardens
(Photo by Terese Goodson)

Sarah Lunsford's Garden in Brent, AL, was another of those hidden jewels just begging to be found. My GPS was up for the task and I spent time visiting with Sarah, a former teacher colleague from my days at Seth Johnson School in Montgomery, AL. Fast forward many years and I had a delightful garden visit and a chance to catch up with Sarah over lunch. Beautiful roses, garden art, an assortment of hostas and ferns, and a grapevine trellis all add to the old fashioned charm in this quiet setting. Large clumps of daylilies fill the beds and the show stopping Japanese maple adds color to the front entrance. While the garden may no longer be on display, Sarah continues to serve Region 14 as historian. Thanks, Sarah, for your willingness to keep us on target!



*Sarah Lunsford at Lunsford Garden
(Photo by Terese Goodson)*

As you follow my many travels adventures, I hope that I have tweaked your interest and you will consider visiting many of these gardens as you travel across Region 14. Call first and schedule a time with garden owners. Take a group of friends or daylily club members and visit several gardens in a day. Find a great place to stop for lunch. Trust me, all of this can be arranged as a day trip, but I would also recommend that your trusty GPS or cell phone be along for the ride. Enjoy those gorgeous blooms!

Terese Goodson

Editor's Note:

It was mid-August after we had published our Summer/Fall issue of The Dixie Daylily that I decided we could do one more on-line only issue for the year without cost to the Region. I knew that our AHS Region 14 President, Terese Goodson, had visited every Region 14 Display Garden during her tenure, so I asked her if she would write an article about her visits for our final issue. Although she had not always been able to visit the gardens during peak bloom season, she cheerfully agreed to write the article and supply photos for each garden. The result is this beautifully crafted article with its many lovely images.

AHS Newsletter Awards

Best Use of Pictures and Graphic Art

(1990-2018)

A certificate is given annually to the editor of a regional newsletter for the best use of pictures and graphic art. A committee, typically consisting of 3 AHS past Presidents, makes the selection.

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1990	Eleanor Warren	14
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2001	Muriel Walker	13
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2003	Brenda Macy	10
2004	Jim Petty	6
2005	Oliver Billingslea	14
2006	Oliver Billingslea	14
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2012	Linda Sue Barnes	15
2013	Pam Erickson	8
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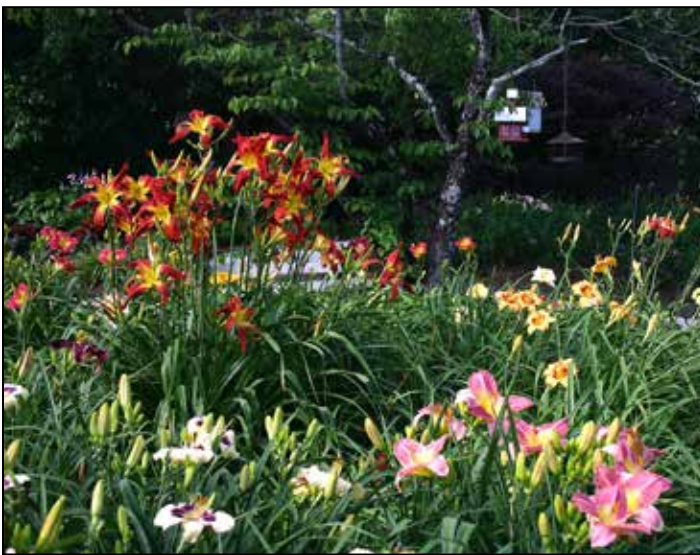
*Cover Photo for The Dixie Daylily, Summer/Fall 2018
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)*

Travels with My Camera: Highlights of Myrtle Beach

by Oliver Billingslea

In June of this year, I had the pleasure of traveling to Myrtle Beach, SC, to attend the AHS National Convention. As Director for Region 14, it was my duty to participate in the always interesting Board Meeting, but visiting each of the six gardens on tour made the trip especially fun. I got to renew many acquaintances, and for the first time I got to meet the young man, Edvinas Misiukevičius, from Lithuania. He turned out to be my bus companion both days, and we had the opportunity to share a lot of information about daylilies. He has been an active participant in the Daylily Robin for several years and is the artist who did the silk screen painting of *Hemerocallis* ‘**Heavenly United We Stand**’ for the Myrtle Beach auction. I also got to meet Professor Zhiguo Zhang of the Shanghai Institute of Technology in China. He was pleased to purchase several of my books and have me sign them. He was most gracious and presented me with a lovely framed copy of a silk screen painting of *H. ‘Kwanso’*. John Baker, whom I had met before, was there from Linford, England, and purchased six copies of *The Open Form Daylily* book for British friends.

The first garden we toured was Canterbury Gardens, the garden of Johnny and Odessa Bourne, located in Andrews, SC. Hundreds of plants by numerous hybridizers graced this well-landscaped suburban lot.



A large clump of *H. ‘Catawampus’* (Jeffcoat 2004) created quite a display in the Bourne Garden. (Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



H. ‘Charles Can’t Have It’ (Douglas-H. 2013) illustrates the friendly competition between husband and wife. (Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



While it is sometimes difficult to photograph daylilies in close proximity, there is often the respite of a partially shaded area filled with hostas and coleus. (Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



A well-grown clump of *H. ‘Orchid Elegance’* (Carpenter-J. 2004) proved to be very photogenic at Canterbury Gardens. (Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



H. 'Expect the Unexpected' (Jeffcoat-P. 2012) shows what can happen when one crosses two fine diploids, 'Lavender Blue Baby' x 'Evelyn Gates'.
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)

A lovely planting of hostas, coleus, and colorful impatiens in the Bourne Garden is granted access by a curving brick walkway. Two iron benches painted red provide ample seating.
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)

The second garden we visited was Browns Ferry Garden, located in Georgetown, SC. A large commercial daylily nursery and AHS Display Garden, owned and operated by Charles and Heidi Douglas, it features the introductions of Heidi and Charles plus those of Gene Tanner, together with selected favorites used in their hybridizing program. Presently, more than 10,000 seedlings are being evaluated, several of which were outstanding.



A large display bed, flanked by a wood fence decorated with garden art, runs the length of the front garden. Orange cannas and Knockout roses provide additional interest.
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



In front of a large air-conditioned sales building complete with kitchen and meeting area, the Douglasses have planted a second display area.
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



One of the most beautiful daylilies in this display area was H. ‘Cynthia Lucius’ (Douglas-C. 2015). Cynthia and Charles Lucius’ garden was on tour during the 2012 National Convention.
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



Another beautiful daylily in the display area was H. ‘Boys of Summer’ (Douglas-C. 2016). Perhaps it was the name, or perhaps because I like purple, it was one of my favorites.
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



In the main display area, H. ‘Muddy Creek Magic’ (Tanner-G. 2015) was particularly elegant. This pink with a lemon to cream to green throat is a diploid.
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



It is rare that I feature seedlings in our newsletter, but I found both of these interesting in their own right: the first, #H 14-24, because it sports blooms that are actually opening a day in advance of fully opening; and the second, #H 14-13, also from Heidi Douglas, because it is distinctive, featuring a halo that compliments its petal edges and sepals.



(Photos by Oliver Billingslea)

Perhaps the most unexpected garden on the Myrtle Beach tour was the one called “I Can’t Believe It’s a Dip,” owned and operated by Ed Zahler and his friend Duane Thierren. Both fellows were seated at our dinner table, so we struck up a pleasant conversation about their hybridizing programs. Since their garden is located in Conway, SC, less than a mile off Hwy 501, I was able to stop by on Sunday morning a second time on my way back to Montgomery, AL.

Ed Zahler began his hybridizing career developing miniatures, the most famous of which are *H.* ‘**Dash Dash**’ (Zahler 1989) and ‘**Dot Dot**’ (Zahler 1989). Both were still growing in large clumps at the garden. But in the past several years, he and his friend Duane have begun developing diploids with large flowers that look and perform a lot like tetraploids.



*A koi pool and waterfall in an Asian setting
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)*



*H. ‘Splendiporous in Pink’ (Zahler 2018)
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)*



*Lotus
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)*



*H. ‘Nettie Amanda’ (Zahler 2018)
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)*



*H. ‘Heck of a Dip’ (Zahler 2016)
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)*



*Elephant Ears with Black and Blue Salvia
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)*

A fourth gorgeous garden, also located in Conway, SC, was Southern Charm Gardens, which are actually two gardens in one. Ann and Marion Howell and Lloyd and Jeanette Howell have created a lovely setting in adjoining yards for their more than 700 cultivars. Jeanette's garden art highlighted the ambiance of the total garden.

In respect to flowers, the highlight of Southern Charm Gardens on the day we visited was Heidi Douglas' diploid, *Hemerocallis* 'Breathing in Snowflakes'. This cultivar was beautiful in several gardens, but especially here. It went on to capture the President's Cup.



H. 'Breathing in Snowflakes' (Douglas-H. 2016)
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



H. 'Jelly Dancer' (Herr-D. 2010)
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



H. 'Butterfly Moon' (Bell-T. 2010)
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



*A beautiful display with garden art
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)*



*H. 'Bonibrae the Freak' (Matthie 2011)
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)*

Our fifth stop was the Don Albers Garden, located in Murrells Inlet, SC. The property was once a hog farm, a throwback to the days when this part of South Carolina was largely rural. What was most impressive to me in the garden were the Albers seedlings, many of them dark, nearly black. I picked out one that I thought had good branching and good form, and Don agreed in that he had given it a number. What was especially intriguing is that it had a deep burgundy midrib enhancing the black purple flower.



*Albers Garden landscape
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)*



*# T-07-197 (Albers Seedling)
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)*

Brookgreen Gardens

This amazing garden, founded by Archer and Anna Hyatt Huntington, is a jewel amidst the Lowcountry region in South Carolina. Created “to provide a backdrop for Anna’s larger than life sculptures,” the garden also contains an area devoted to native plants and animals, a butterfly house, and the impressive Live Oak Allée, comprised of 250 year-old live oak trees that were planted in the early 1700s when the

area consisted largely of rice plantations. The total property consists of 9,127 acres, including waterways and woods. According to one source, the collection of sculptures is one of the largest and most comprehensive in the country. Of special interest to Convention attendees was the Daylily Walk, containing a number of plants hybridized by members of the Georgetown Area Daylily Club.



It boggles the mind to think that these trees in Live Oak Allée were planted before the colonies achieved their independence from the British, at a time when the area consisted of four thriving rice plantations.

(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



Innumerable smaller sculptures are placed throughout the garden, enhanced by beautiful settings.



(Photos by Oliver Billingslea)



Daylilies were in full bloom along the Daylily Walk, including this lovely display of *Hemerocallis* 'Breathing in Snowflakes', which was beautiful in several tour gardens. (Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



Blue hydrangeas were in full bloom, such as this planting of *Hydrangea* 'Endless Summer'. Elsewhere there were numerous lace-caps in bloom as well. (Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



Sculptures featuring Greek motifs were much in evidence throughout the Brookgreen Gardens. Diana, Goddess of the Hunt, was a frequent subject, as in the case of these two companion pieces. On the right the youthful Acteon is being turned into a stag and is being torn by his hounds after having looked upon Diana in the nude (Paul Howard Manship, 1885-1966). (Photos by Oliver Billingslea)



Indeed, there was much nudity displayed throughout the Gardens, but all of it tastefully executed. The gold-clad centerpiece of Dionysus and the panther was beautiful. The Diana Pool featuring the Goddess of the Chase with drawn bow was elegant. The sculpture of Pegasus being tamed by Bellerophon was the largest in size.

In total, there are over 2,000 works in the Gardens by 425 artists. Many of the smaller works are featured in extensive statuary galleries. On the following pages, I have chosen several works which I found exemplary, including the sculpture of Dionysus. They are powerful depictions of the human condition, reflective in Greek, Roman, Hebrew, and Native American mythology.

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Nathaniel Choate (1899-1965) was one of the artists prominently featured at Brookgreen Gardens. Born in Southboro, MA, he attended Harvard University, and as a prominent sculptor later worked with various materials, including aluminum, bronze, marble, and onyx. His “Alligator Bender Sculpture” was executed in 1937 and depicts a young man of Native American descent powerfully in control of the primitive beast in nature and in himself.
 (Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



Man Carving His Own Destiny (Albin Polasek, 1879-1965)
 (Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



Samson and the Lion (Gleb Derujinsky, 1888-1975)
 (Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



Dionysus with Panther (Edward McCartan, 1879-1947)
(Photo courtesy of Brookgreen Gardens)



Riders of the Dawn (Adolph Alexander Weinman, 1870-1952), "The Archer Huntsman Astride his Stallion"

(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



Diana of the Chase (Anna Hyatt Huntington, 1876-1973)
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



Palmetto Garden
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



*Anna Hyatt Huntington's "Fighting Stallions" at the entrance to Brookgreen Gardens
(Photo Courtesy of Brookgreen Gardens)*

Anna Hyatt Huntington (1876-1973) was one of the great American sculptors of horses and animals. Her most famous sculptures include the equestrian statue of "Joan of Arc" (1910), located on Riverside Drive at 93rd Street, New York; "Fighting Stallions" (1950), located at Brookgreen Gardens, SC; and "The Torch Bearers" (1955) at Ciudad Universitaria, Madrid.

Along with her husband, Archer Milton Huntington (1870-1955), she was responsible for founding America's first sculptural garden, the Brookgreen Gardens in South Carolina. Archer, reportedly one of the twelve richest men in America, was very proud of his wife's works, and he wanted to procure a place to display them, along with other works of the Art Deco period. In 1930 they acquired the property needed. Brookgreen Gardens, near Murrells Inlet, South Carolina, contains one of the best collections of late 19th and early 20th century sculptures anywhere. It was the first garden in America to be devoted exclusively to statuary.

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Club News: ALABAMA

Birmingham Daylily Society

Kay Chappell, Reporter

3rd Sunday—2:00 P.M.
January, February, March
4th Sunday—2:00 P.M.
September
1st Saturday—11:30 A.M.
December
Birmingham Botanical Gardens, Birmingham, AL

President:	David Allison
Vice President:	Jim Riddle
Treasurer:	Jim Chappell
Recording Secretary:	Kay Chappell
Corresponding Secretary:	Phyllis Riddle

At our September meeting the nominees for officers for 2019-2020 were announced.

President:	Jim Riddle
Vice-President:	Phyllis Riddle
Treasurer:	Jim Chappell
Recording Secretary:	Kay Chappell
Corresponding Secretary:	David Allison

In October many of our members attended the Region 14 meeting held in Meridian, MS. Our speaker was Bill Waldrop from Kennesaw Mountain Daylilies in Marietta, Georgia. We really enjoyed his presentation of new introductions as well as his hybridizing efforts and stories.

The Meridian Daylily club had provided us with easy access to everything. The hotel and meeting place were great with close restaurants nearby. The members of the club worked hard to make it a great experience for all. We enjoyed seeing old friends and making new friends.

In December we will have our Christmas social which will be at the Red Lobster.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at our meetings.



Blount Iris and Daylily Society

Sandra Little, Reporter

4th Tuesday—10 A.M.
Each Month
Frank Green Building
415 5th Ave. E
Oneonta, AL

President:	Sandra Little
Vice President:	Delois Dunn
Secretary:	Ellen Hallman
Treasurer:	Hazel Jones

In July we visited the garden of one of our members, Letha Hazelrig. Letha not only has large beautiful daylilies, but many companion plants as well. There were sweet smelling ginger plants, banana trees, cockscomb, amaryllis, creeping jenny, hibiscus, and many more. There were benches and swings positioned in just the right places to sit and take a break from the hot July heat.

Our annual Ice Cream Social at Delois Dunn's in August was great.

We all got a little wet as some stray showers moved through. But the rain didn't stop the fun. We enjoyed some good food and fellowship followed by delicious homemade ice cream.

At our October meeting we auctioned plants donated by members to pay dues. Everyone's dues got paid, and we all left with a plant. There was even a little money left over to donate to the club.

Since we don't meet in December, we have our Christmas dinner in November. Our club members met at Charlie B's restaurant in Oneonta, AL. We enjoyed a really good meal and desserts. We talked about the past year's achievements and failures, and made plans for the upcoming year of 2019.

We won't meet in January, but will resume our meetings on the 4th Tuesday of February at 10 a.m. Eric Sanders from the Blount County Co-op will be our speaker for the February meeting.

Check out our Facebook page for upcoming events and meetings: Blount Iris and Daylily Society.



Letha Hazelrig on one of the lovely benches in her garden
(Photo courtesy of Blount Iris and Daylily Society)



Scenes from Letha Hazelrig's garden
(Photos courtesy of Blount Iris and Daylily Society)



Montgomery Area Daylily Society

Oliver Billingslea, Reporter

2nd Sunday—2 P.M.

Memorial Presbyterian Church, 2130 Bell Road, Montgomery, AL
February, April; August (3rd Saturday at Noon); October; December (1st Saturday at Noon)—Christmas Party

Club Website: www.montgomeryareadaylilysociety.com

Facebook: Montgomery Area Daylily Society

President:	Linda Carleton
First Vice President:	Donna Curington
Second Vice President:	Rhonda Miles
Treasurer:	Glenda Woods
Recording Secretary:	Marie Updike
Corresponding Secretary:	Martha Barber
Parliamentarian:	Jack Harrison

In the absence of President Linda Carleton, Donna Curington presided over both our August and October meetings. The August meeting, in the absence of a speaker, was largely a joyous get together with last minute attention given to voting in the Popularity Poll for those who had not already done so. We all expressed our concern for George Carleton who had undergone surgery, but was slowly recovering.

In October our program was presented by Dr. Wayne McLaurin, retired research professor. Entitled “Oldies But Goodies,” his PowerPoint presentation featured older daylilies which he found vigorous. He also shared his appreciation for brown-colored flowers, including the older *Hemerocallis* ‘Milk Chocolate’ (Carney 1967) and the newer *H.* ‘Coffee to Go’ (Anderson-H. 2003). We were greeted with good news regarding George Carleton’s recovery.

On December 8, we gathered for our Christmas party and elected officers for the coming year. A few days prior we were saddened to learn that long-time member of the club, Jack Harrison, had passed away. We arranged to meet earlier in the morning, so that we could attend his funeral service in the afternoon. Jack was a dear soul to all of us. He served as VP for Region 14 (1987-1988) and as Director for Region 14 (1990-1995), doing which term he was elected Vice President of AHS. In 1997 he received the AHS Regional Service Award, and in 1998 was named the recipient of the Helen Field Fischer Gold Medal, the highest honor the AHS bestows upon an individual.



North Alabama Daylily Society

Madolyn Whitt, Corresponding Secretary

2nd Saturday or Sunday—2:00 P.M. (February, March, April, August, September, October)

Huntsville Botanical Garden, Anderson Nature Center Classroom

Check our Facebook page to confirm location and date:

Facebook.com/NADaylilySociety.

President:	Roger Hooper
Vice President:	Jim Beecher
Secretary:	Samantha Downs
Treasurer:	Fritz Owens
Publicity:	Cherry Hooper
Scheduling:	Randy Whitt
Corresponding Secretary:	Madolyn Whitt
Plant Sales Coordinators:	Randy Whitt, Jim Brazelton

Winter 2018

Wow! What a fantastic plant sale (to quote Roger Hooper)! We made over \$3,000.00, thanks to all the hard work of our members and the fact that the temperature was not too hot and the sun hid behind the clouds. We had to have two check out lines! Each customer received a rack card and an invitation to our club meetings with a number of people expressing interest. Finally the plants were all sold, and we were able to pick up before the rain moved in.

In July our club enjoyed an outing to the Lewis Garden in Blossomwood, SE Huntsville. Herb Lewis has optimized land purchased behind his house to attract song birds. It was a joy to see the variety of plants he has added and the unique water features of his property. If you visit the Huntsville Botanical Garden, be sure to see the wall of bird photos that Herb has donated. They are in the Table Restaurant.

Rich Howard of Wallingford, Connecticut, got up from a hospital bed to bring our program in August. Most of his daylilies are grown in pots and are of course cold hardy. He has been hybridizing for over 10 years, and has quite a few of his own varieties. He grows over 1700 named varieties as well as other perennials and some unusual annuals. An interesting presentation!

September brought Stephen Smith of Brandywine Daylily Garden to our club. Stephen is the Seed Collection Manager working under internationally known author and seedsman William Woys Weaver. His heirloom seed passion has allowed him to hold the largest collection of heirloom/heritage corn in North America, at 1900 varieties. Stephen has registered 22 cultivars in his career. He has made good progress in his short years of hybridizing, but then both of his parents are hybridizers, too.

Our October meeting had Nikki Schmith of “A Girl and Her Garden.Com” scheduled to speak, but due to her mother’s heart attack, and her role as caregiver, she was unable to speak to us. We hope and pray that her mother’s condition improves.

Roger has worked hard to line up outstanding speakers for 2019, and we are looking forward to hearing what they have to say and seeing their beautiful flowers. Included are Mark Carpenter, Phyllis and Jim Riddle, David Kirchhoff and Mort Morss, Lucas Holman, Bruce Kovach, Margo Reed and Jim Murphy.



The Wiregrass Daylily Society

Pat Wentte, Reporter

2nd Saturday—12:00 Noon

December, January, February, March

2nd Monday—6 P.M.

September, October, November

Grace Church, 1401 Cherokee Avenue, Dothan, AL

President:	Rita Moore
Vice President:	B. J. Yance
Secretary:	Bill Wentte
Treasurer:	Sue Ballard
Parliamentarian and Reporter:	Pat Wentte

After a lazy summer, our fall was a busy time. September was devoted to the daylily gardens at the Dothan Area Botanical Gardens (DABG). We dug and divided all 350 daylilies. Soil was amended and tilled and a double fan of each daylily replanted.

October was auction time. We sold 150 double fans gleaned from the gardens at DABG. It was a successful fund raiser and our members went home with some nice daylilies.

We are hoping we will have lots of blooms for our show in 2019. We are now looking forward to a fun gift exchange at our November/December meeting.



Club News: MISSISSIPPI

Hattiesburg Area Daylily Society

Nancy Chain, Reporter

3rd Sunday—2:00 P.M.
Multipurpose Center, Extension Service Conference Room
952 Sullivan Drive, Highway 49 South, Hattiesburg, MS

September, October, January through May

President:	Vonda Martin
Vice President:	Chuck Holcomb
Secretary:	Janet Green
Treasurer:	Don Montgomery
Publicity Director:	Nancy Chain

The 2018-2019 year for HADS began even before our first meeting this fall. Members met in early September to work on the public beds at Lake Terrace Convention Center, the Hattiesburg Zoo, and the Petal Public Library.

The first HADS meeting, September 16, was a bit chaotic since we were moved from our usual meeting place at the Extension Service Conference Room to the “Shelter” next door because of a booking error. Being a resilient bunch, we adapted to the limited furnishings, poor acoustics, etc., and went about business as usual. The meeting featured incoming Region 14 President/HADS member, Henry Little. Henry discussed his ideas concerning Region 14, and emphasized the importance of HADS members being members of AHS/ADS.

Quite a number of HADS members traveled to Meridian for the Region 14 Fall Meeting. The Meridian Daylily Society had worked hard, and the result was a wonderful meeting. When everyone works together, a small club can achieve great things. Thank You, Meridian! Of course, we were proud of Earl Watts when RP Terese Goodson presented him the 2017 David Hall Regional Award. We cheered again when *Hemerocallis* ‘Suburban Nancy Gayle’ was announced as the winner of the 2018 Region 14 Popularity Poll.

In October, Bill and Diana Waldrop of Kennesaw Mountain Daylilies in Marietta, GA, visited HADS. We always enjoy Bill, his advice on growing daylilies, the plants he brings, and the evident pride in granddaughter Lily. This time, he and Diana regaled us with their experiences providing daylilies for the upcoming movie, MULE. It was fun listening to them. Now, we all can't wait to see the movie—isn't it interesting that Clint Eastwood's last movie (supposedly) is about a daylily hybridizer?

We are looking forward to our Christmas luncheon. HADS members love to “meet, greet, and eat.” We also enjoy playing Christmas bingo—especially when the prizes are daylilies!! The holidays are a time of rest and relaxation for HADS members. We need the lull before the storm of activity that will begin in January.

January will bring Scott Elliott from Georgia; February, the Salters from Florida; and March, the Franklins from Alpharetta, GA. All the while, HADS will be continue to prepare for the Region 14 Spring Meeting in May, and the 24th annual show in June!

We hope everyone in Region 14 is making plans to join us May 23-25 for the Spring Meeting in Hattiesburg, MS—A DAYLILY CITY! If you are not currently a garden judge or exhibition judge, please consider taking the workshops and clinics that will be available. If you are already a garden judge or exhibition judge, check your status and take a refresher, if needed. We will be looking for YOU in May!!

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY, HEALTHY NEW YEAR!! HOPE YOUR BLOOMS ARE BIGGER AND BETTER THAN EVER!!



President Elect Henry Little discusses his ideas for Region 14, stressing the importance of HADS members being members of AHS/ADS.
(Photo courtesy of HADS)



At the October meeting of HADS, Earl Watts and Mary Lois Burgess join guest speaker Bill Waldrop for a photo.
(Photo courtesy of HADS)



Meridian Daylily Club

Reporter, Beverly Odom

3rd Saturday—11:00 A.M.
Western Sizzlin’ Steakhouse, Meridian, MS
January, March, July, September, and November
May/June Garden Tours

President:	Lois Smith
Vice President:	Mark Flynn
Treasurer:	Jeanie Kilpatrick
Secretary:	Toni Thompson
Reporter:	Beverly Odom

Our annual club barbecue potluck was held in July and was hosted by our Vice President, Mark Flynn. We enjoyed lots of great food and fellowship, followed by a short business meeting.

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Our September meeting was a planning session for the Fall Regional Meeting to be hosted by our club. Plans were finalized and details ironed out for the event.

On October 6th, our club hosted the Region 14 Regional Meeting at the Northeast Conference Center in Meridian, MS. Bill Waldrop of Kennesaw Mountain Daylilies in Marietta, GA, was the guest speaker for the event.

Hybridizer Tim Bell of Bell's Daylily Garden in Sycamore, GA, gave an awesome presentation and plant auction at our November meeting. Guests from Hattiesburg, Brookhaven, and Columbus along with members and local guests were entertained with Tim's wonderful wit while receiving excellent advice on growing daylilies and companion plants.

Our annual club Christmas party was held December 1st and hosted at the home of our president, Lois Smith. After a wonderful pot-luck meal, we held a short planning meeting for next year.



*Members of the Meridian Daylily Club gather for their Christmas luncheon.
(Photo courtesy of Meridian Daylily Club)*



MS Gulf Coast Daylily Society

Sydney M. Dyche, President

2nd Saturday—1:30 P.M. (unless otherwise noted in Club booklet)
Vancleave Public Library, Highway 57, Vancleave, MS

January, February, March, April, September, and October; Christmas Party in December; Spring Picnic and Club Show in May
Club website: mgcds.web.com

President:	Sydney Dyche
Vice President:	Debbie D. Smith
Secretary:	Barbara Register
Treasurer:	Judy Harris
Publicity Director:	Bonnie Lingel

In September Eric Simpson came to speak with our club, showed us his beautiful introductions and answered countless questions. Holding our first plant auction of the year, bids were fast and furious. Only the hardy survived.

On September 15 we participated in the Harrison County Master Gardener 2018 Garden Expo. Judy Harrison, Bonnie Lingel, Barbara Register, and I manned a booth from which we handed out information

sheets on daylily care and planting, our society's schedule, and a free daylily seedling. We gave out over 125 seedlings and had 28 people sign up for additional society information.



*Dig Day at Fred Manning's garden for the benefit of MSGCDS
Pictured left to right: Fred Manning, Debbie D. Smith, Judy Harris, and Jane Ziplies
(Photo by Sydney Dyche)*



*Dig Day at John Falck's garden to benefit MSGCDS
Pictured: John Falck on tractor bearing plants in early morning fog
(Photo by Debbie D. Smith)*



*Jane Ziplies down on her knees laying landscape fabric at Debbie's house to store the pots for spring sale
(Photo by Debbie D. Smith)*

Several of our members attended the Region 14's Fall Regional in Meridian, MS. A great time was had by all, especially during an auction that kept everyone's hand on their paddles and their paddles in the air trying to get one of the beautiful plants available for auction. One of our members enjoyed the Regional meeting so much that she was the first person to sign up for the 2019 Spring Regional to be held in Hattiesburg, MS.

At our October meeting Bill & Diane Waldrop from Kennesaw Mountain Daylilies did a wonderful presentation of his latest introductions and his part in supplying daylilies for the upcoming movie "The Mule." Wow! He met Clint Eastwood!

Everyone is looking forward to having our Christmas meeting at Salvetti's Italian Grill in Ocean Springs, MS. After lunch, we will have our annual daylily bingo for a chance to win one of the awesome prizes.

After the holidays we have a full schedule of speakers, dig days, our show, and the Region 14's Spring Regional to attend. Here is a sneak preview for 2019:

- January 19, 2019, Scott Elliott, Maneki Neko Gardens
- February 16, 2019, Jeff and Elizabeth Salter
- March 9, 2019, Charles Plaisance, Smokey's Garden
- March 2019, Dig Days for upcoming daylily sale later in month
- March 30-31, 2019, Herb and Art Festival, Ocean Springs, MS
- April 13, 2019, Rust & Antifungals – CEA
- May 11, 2019, Spring Picnic at Jimmy Smelley's in Agricola, MS
- May 15, 2019, Dig Day for Show
- May 18, 2019, Spring Show – Edgewater Mall, Biloxi, MS. Looking forward to see everyone there!

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H. 'Tidewater Elf' (Holmes-S. 2012), 2018 Region 14 President's Cup
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)

North MS/AL Daylily Society

Martha Stancil, Reporter

2nd Tuesday—5:30 P.M.

Meeting Place (TBA)

March, April, September, December

President:	Linda Beck
Secretary:	Martha Stancil
Treasurer:	Juanice Hayes
Auditor/Parliamentarian:	Troy Beck

We want to express our appreciation to Mr. Oliver Billingslea for an excellent job in publishing *The Dixie Daylily*. Not only the beautiful photography of daylilies, gardens and articles, but sharing the history of Brookgreen Gardens in South Carolina in our Summer/Fall edition.

Over the past five years, we have lost several members to sickness, moving out-of-state, and living in areas too far to drive to meetings. So, retaining membership has been a struggle for our club.

Juanice Hayes, along with Sarah Lunsford, made a daylily excursion to Blue Ridge Daylilies in Alexander, near Asheville, NC, the second week in July. Bob Selman and Eric Simpson have made this garden a beautiful, magical place. All daylilies were outstanding.

The Regional meeting in Meridian, Saturday, October 6, was attended by Juanice Hayes. Terese Goodson, Region 14 President, conducted Regional business. Ms. Goodson announced that Henry Little will be the new President in January 2019. The guest speaker, Bill Waldrop, from Kennesaw Mountain Daylily Gardens located in Marietta, GA, presented a very interesting report about his daylily program. We had a delicious box lunch from McAlisters. The meeting closed with the Plant Auction with donations from Bill & Diana Waldrop, Henry & Lisa Little, John & Nancy Falck, Tim Bell, Jim & Phyllis Riddle, Charles Plaisance, Eric Simpson, B.J. Yance, and Jesse & Terah George.

Happy Gardening in 2019!

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Contributions Made to AHS

Kathleen Schloeder, Endowment Chair for the American Hemerocallis Society, reports the following contributions made to AHS by Region 14 clubs:

* A contribution at the Silver level has been made to the William E. Monroe Endowment Fund Trust by:

Hattiesburg Area Daylily Society
c/o Connie Montgomery, Treasurer
8 Melissa Hills Rd.
Hattiesburg, MS 39401

The donation is in memory of Bud Kirkpatrick, Tom Breshears, Buck Rogers and Currie Fontenot.

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Montgomery Area Daylily Society
c/o Glenda Woods, Treasurer
190 Kahatchee Loop
Childersburg, AL 35044

The donation is in memory of W.J. 'Jack' Harrison.

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A Tribute to William J. (Jack) Harrison

by Ken Cobb, AHS Archivist/Historian

AHS E-Mail Robin, December 6, 2018

Jack Harrison was the senior member, and most experienced, of the Board members when as AHS President I appointed him to be AHS VP for 1994-95. I created a committee, which existed for two years, called Administrative Services just for him due to the broad scope of his expertise. He worked closely with the General Counsel on many issues. Basically, it was to implement effective internal controls on our financial affairs. He dealt with all the AHS insurance issues. He got non-current publications converted to a paid position. He was an expert on parliamentary procedures, insurance, and was involved in the study of using an outside auditor—something we were a bit late in implementing, sadly. I was fortunate to have him and the late Earlene Garber, who both knew Robert's Rules, to help me keep long disjointed discussions in check—somewhat. I still recall, after some long-winded discussions with more than one person talking at once, one or both of them saying something like, "I don't believe we have a motion on the floor, Ken!" Maybe that is why board meetings ran until after 5 p.m. at summer conventions and 1 1/2 days in the fall. I needed two parliamentarians to keep things in check.

Jack's board reports typically asked penetrating questions for the board to solve. Some dealt with the ability of Special Chairs, as ex officio members of the Board, being able to present motions—they cannot to this day. He proposed bylaws changes related to the election of RVPs (now RP). With his recommendation, we were able to move Hawaii from Region 8 to 7 and include British Columbia in Region 8. It was only years later that I discovered that the Board in 1948 or 49 said all Canadian provinces should be assigned to the adjacent US region. He also brought up the touchy subject of reapportionment of the large regions 2, 3, and 4, which he proposed could be split, adding 3 new directors "to bring important committee assignments back to the Board." That never happened!

That latter statement was one of several on which we disagreed. (Jack was not a "yes" man. He spoke what he believed from experience in both his vocation and daylily avocation. He was one of the most, if not the most, influential VPs I have known over the years, and I valued his advice.) Today I must laugh at the 1994/95 Board for feeling that my having about 9 Special Chairs was taking too many key jobs off-board. We also had 5 staff members. Today we have approximately 7 staff and 17 Special Chairs with a far smaller membership than the 90s.

At the time, I frequently felt we were not accomplishing as much as we should. I still recall Nell Jessup's comment to me, "You have to play the hand you are dealt!" In retrospect, especially due to the diligence of directors like Jack, we at least set the foundation for many things that eventually transpired. His wisdom was appreciated and listened to by the others.

Jack deservedly received the Helen Field Fischer Gold Medal for service. Until today, I had not thought of those two years as being "golden" years, yet eventually 4 of the 5 staff, and 6 other directors of those years would also receive the HFF Gold Medal.

Jack's active service, not just to AHS but also to Region 14 for many decades, will be remembered as we honor his memory.

Ken Cobb
AHS Archivist/Historian

Ken Cobb

In Memoriam: W.J. “Jack” Harrison

by Oliver Billingslea

When Claude Monet painted his garden at Giverny, he was rendering on canvas the interrelationship between his garden and his personal temperament. As an impressionist, he sought to render his perceptions in vibrant, sensory colors that express a certain joie de vivre. Few gardens in Region 14 better express this joy of life than that of Jack and Amalia Harrison in Montgomery, Alabama. In its layout and palette of exquisite color, the Harrison garden is Montgomery's own Giverny. Instead of water lilies and the abundance of grainstacks, Jack and Amalia have devoted their labor to painting with daylilies. —from The Dixie Daylily, Summer/Fall 2004.

And so it was, as editor, I began an article on the Harrison garden in my first issue of *The Dixie Daylily*. If I was a bit effusive in praising their temperament and spirit, everything I said was true. The Harrisons did all the work themselves in creating this little piece of heaven to share with others.

How we miss them!

I had known W.J. “Jack” Harrison almost from the time we moved to Montgomery in 1970. Over the years, I learned of Jack’s service to Region 14 and to AHS; so when I discovered that our Region had not nominated anyone for regional service for several years, I wrote a letter nominating him for the AHS Regional Service Award for 1997, and the next year I wrote to the AHS, nominating him for the Helen Field Fischer Gold Medal.

In doing research for this tribute, I came across an excellent write-up in the the 1998 Winter issue of *The Daylily Journal*, co-authored by Lorene Smith of Cottondale, Alabama, and Barbara Watts of Hattiesburg, Mississippi. It is a beautifully written acknowledgement of Jack’s distinguished and meritorious service, and very much worth re-printing here:

“A trip to the blue waters and sugar-like sands of the Gulf Coast, a favorite destination of residents of central Alabama who are looking for rest and relaxation, was the excursion that resulted in a passion that would span three decades, touch the lives of thousands, and bring the highest personal award of the American Hemerocallis Society to W.J. “Jack” Harrison of Montgomery, Alabama. Jack and his wife, Amalia, happened to see an ad for daylilies while visiting the Gulf shores and, needing a break in activities, they drove by to take a look. These two were not unlike people then, and even today, who thought daylilies only came in the sunny colors of yellow and orange. To their amazement, they were treated to a sight that covered the entire spectrum of the color wheel. They could not contain their excitement, and Amalia began choosing an assortment of colors of cultivars to take back to Montgomery. With their backgrounds in education and the library system, it is not surprising that they delved into all the material they could find on these beautiful flowers. The local club that the Harrisons joined had very little knowledge of the national organization, and this also became a part of Jack’s research. Believing that you should not just be ‘attached to,’ but should be a ‘part of,’ Jack became involved in the AHS and encouraged other club members to join and to become active participants. In 1987-

1988, Jack served as Regional Vice President of Region 14. During his term, the newsletter, which he edited, was given the name *The Dixie Daylily*. He was also instrumental in the establishment of a Region 14 fall meeting. In 1990, he was elected to represent Region 14 on the AHS Board of Directors. During this time, he served in many capacities, including Vice President, and acquired knowledge concerning every aspect of the organization. This knowledge has served him well, and his attention to detail resulted in his being asked to serve as Protocol Chair. He also later served as tabulator for Awards and Honors. Jack retired as State Commissioner of Insurance of Alabama. His expertise in this field was of great assistance in drawing up a liability plan that provides protection to the AHS members during official club, regional and national activities. He monitors this program and works with the carrier to be sure it is responsive to the needs of the Society. It is important to Jack that the regions be in accord with the national; consequently, he strives to keep the Region 14 guidelines and by-laws updated to conform with those of AHS, by bringing these matters to the attention of the members at business meetings. Jack sets an example for the membership by his activities as an Exhibition Judge, Garden Judge and Instructor. He is probably one of the most generous people in giving daylilies to encourage new enthusiasts, providing daylilies for the auctions at all levels of the organization, and keeping his garden as an incentive to anyone who might aspire to become involved in growing daylilies. His sister Betty remembers the early stages of the Montgomery garden when Jack convinced her that you should enhance the daylily garden with companion plants and areas of interest, such as a water garden, painstakingly dug—inch by inch, foot by foot—that would add to the aesthetic quality of his garden, long before the time when water gardens were the ‘in’ thing. Though not large of stature, he stands tall among the leaders of the AHS, though he speaks softly. His is a voice to be heard concerning Society matters, because always foremost in his mind is what is best for the organization in supporting our purpose ‘to promote, encourage and foster the development and improvement of the genus *Hemerocallis* and public interest therein’ by all suitable and appropriate means.”

In memorium, Jack’s generous soul sought to serve others, rather than himself. At last he is reunited with his daughter Vivian and his beloved Amalia.

Oliver Billingslea

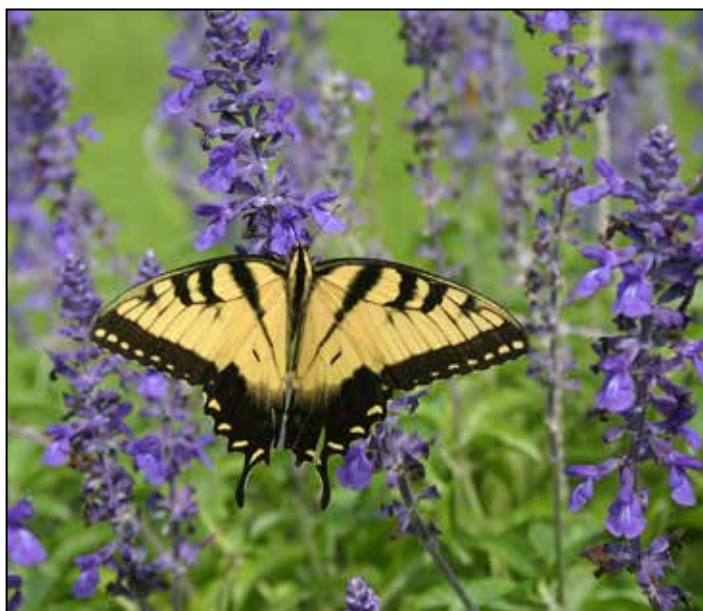
Garden of the Week: National Feature



*Billingslea Garden: Banner Photo for Charlotte Chamitoff's Garden of the Week, December 8, 2018
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)*



*Rudbeckia hirta 'Black Eyed Susan' fills the woodlands
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)*



*An Eastern Tiger Swallowtail lights on Salvia 'Mystic Spires Blue'
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)*

About Your Editor

A member of the Board of Directors for the American Hemerocallis Society (1996-2001; 2014-2018), Oliver Billingslea grew up on a farm in Madison County, Mississippi, where his family raised cows and cotton. After graduating from Canton High School, he attended the University of Mississippi, where he majored in English. He spent a year as an exchange student at the University of Mainz in Germany, completed his Master's degree at Johns Hopkins University, and his Ph.D. at the University of Wisconsin.

In 1970 he joined the faculty at Auburn University Montgomery, teaching in its English department until his retirement in 2011. He has authored articles on the American writers, William Faulkner and Stephen Crane. In 1980, he wrote and directed a version of Herman Melville's *Billy Budd, Sailor* for Theatre AUM. In 1995, he was honored with the Distinguished Teaching Award at AUM.

His other interests over the years have included photography, coaching soccer, singing with the Montgomery Chorale, and gardening. The Billingslea garden has been open on four occasions for spring tours. Most recently, it has been selected as a Garden of the Week, and will launch the national website's thirteenth season, December 8, 2018.

A member of the American Hemerocallis Society since 1971, he has written numerous articles for its national publication, *The Daylily Journal*, and is also a well-known hybridizer, from among his 62 registrations, having won 18 Honorable Mention Awards, an Award of Merit, and the President's Cup. He has been a Garden Judge since 1974. One of his earliest contributions was to assist a number of hybridizers in placing their best cultivars on the A & H ballot. Between 1996 and 2001, he served as Awards & Honors Chair for the AHS. While chairing that committee, he instituted the policy of placing 10 "overlooked" cultivars on the HM portion of the ballot. These were cultivars less well-known in their own day, but which over the years had developed a popular following. For almost a decade, on behalf of AHS he edited the 76 page *Cumulative Awards & Honors: Of People and Daylilies* booklet.

For two years, 2003-2004, he served as Regional Vice President for Alabama and Mississippi, having previously served a term as President of his local club, the Montgomery Area Daylily Society. In 2004, he became editor of *The Dixie Daylily*, the regional journal for Alabama and Mississippi. In 2005, he wrote a paper, "How to Publish a High Quality, Cost Effective, Full Color Regional Newsletter," which he delivered to the Editor's Forum at the National Convention. One of his achievements as early as 2005 was to institute a Youth Digital Photography Contest, which was successful for a number of years. The Photography Contest was later opened to adults and youth alike.

In 2008, he received the AHS Regional Service Award, as well as his second "Best Newsletter Award," the first having been granted during his first year of eligibility. Three times in succession, 2005-2007, and twice since, *The Dixie Daylily* has been accorded the "Best Use of Pictures and Graphic Art."

Because editors serve at the discretion of RPs, a search was begun for a new editor of *The Dixie Daylily*. Initially, this resulted in no issues being printed for almost a year, although at the RP's request Oliver mailed out an informational brochure in the Spring of 2009 and agreed to edit the Summer/Fall issue for that year, until an editor could be found. Fortunately, the 2010-2011 issues were blessed with capable editors before a new, incoming RP asked Oliver to resume editorship in the summer of 2012.

In 2009, during his hiatus from *The Dixie Daylily*, at the request of AHS, he began work *pro bono* on a major publication. The result was *Landscaping with Daylilies*, a 336 page, full color, coffee table book with 720 color photos depicting gardening in the various regions of the United States, as well as from around the globe. The book contains information on how to grow daylilies, as well as chapters on garden art and how to combine daylilies with other perennials. Published in May 2012, the book has become very popular.

Oliver's second project was to edit a revision of AHS' most popular handbook. Completed in the fall of 2014, under the title *The Illustrated Guide to Daylilies*, the new 128 page, full color softbound book with 280 illustrations became an immediate success. In 2017, Oliver edited a revised and updated version.

In 1917, his third publication on behalf of AHS was a book entitled *The Open Form Daylily: Spiders, Unusual Forms, and Other "Exotics."* This 232 page, full color softbound book, containing 616 illustrations and 10 sketches, has also been well-received.

During his most recent tenure on the AHS Board of Directors, Oliver served as Ombudsman, as chair of Policy and Procedures, and as a member of the Publications Committee. He has also served on the AHS Photography Committee (2014-2017) to help select annually the best photos in each of several categories. In addition, as chair of Special Projects, he helped establish the Lenington All-American bed at North Dakota State University, while publishing his two most recent books.

In 2016, *The Dixie Daylily* received the two most prestigious awards, as well as three writing awards.



Oliver Billingslea
(Photo by Nancy Billingslea)

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H. 'Blue Eyes and Big Smiles' (Falck 2016)
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)

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Editor's Column:

We are pleased to present our twenty-seventh issue of *The Dixie Daylily*, and as always, I want to thank my wife, Nancy Billingslea, who has done a commendable job of proofreading. Without her help over the years, I could not have put together this newsletter. In fact, it was she who showed me how to put together my very first issue in the summer of 2004.

As my tenure as editor is now at a close, I again want to thank those Regional Presidents who had confidence in me to serve in this capacity: principally John Falck (2005-2008), Jim Riddle (2011-2014), C.P. Winters and Debbie Smith (2015-2016), and Terese Goodson (2017-2018). It has been a great pleasure to serve as Region 14's editor under their strong leadership.

Of course, I could not have put together our newsletter without the many contributions by the members of Region 14, as well as several other writers and photographers outside our Region. On several occasions I have shared my

experience in attending our National Conventions. These articles were always a highlight of my writing experience as your editor, and I thank you for allowing me the privilege.

In this final online issue, I have retained my most recent photographic essay, "Travels with My Camera: Highlights of Myrtle Beach," for the reason that a lot of folks might not have had an opportunity to see it back in the summer.

I am honored to have served as your editor during the past several years, and I hope our newsletters have brought you much joy. Although the AHS has embraced a new initialism, ADS, replete with a new logo, I hope that we in Region 14 will maintain the word "Dixie" in our newsletter, even if it is a vestige of the Old South. It grants us a distinction that a more contemporaneous title, such as the *Region 14 Newsletter*, can not.

Best wishes for a continued tradition,
Oliver Billingslea

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*H. 'White Eyes Pink Dragon' (Gossard 2006), winner of 2018 Lenington All-American Award
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