



# The GVDS Gazette

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## 2009 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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**April 3, 7:00 pm**

Rebecca Finneran  
Study Trip to Longwood Gardens  
Meijer Gardens

**May 14, 7:00 pm**

GVDS Annual Spring Auction  
Michigan State University Extension Office  
**Please note: Location change and  
One week later for growing time**

**June 4, 6:30 pm**

Open Garden Tour  
Kay Hannah  
5939 S. Parkway SE Kentwood

**July 2, 6:30 pm**

Open Garden Tour  
Ellen Hizer  
7520 Division Ave. N, Comstock Park

Millie Rathbun

3111 Brockwood Dr., Grand Rapids

**July 18, 9:00 am — 5:00 pm**

Annual Daylily Show at Meijer Gardens

**July 30, 6:30 pm**

Annual Summer Picnic & Garden Tour  
MI Veterans Home/Grotto Park  
**Note: One week early due to club vote**

**September 10, 7:00 pm**

GVDS Annual Fall Auction  
Michigan State University Extension Office  
**Note: Location change**

**September 12, 8:00am-2:00pm**

Annual Daylily Sale  
Rockford Farmers' Market

**October 1, 7:00 pm**

Joel Polston  
Pleasant Valley Gardens Dayton, OH  
Meijer Gardens

**November 5, 7:00 pm**

Meeting at Meijer Gardens

**December 3**

Christmas Dinner Party

### 2009 AHS Calendar of Events

**May 20-24**

AHS National Convention  
Lake Mary, Florida

**July 10-12**

Region 2 Summer Meeting  
Chicago, Illinois

### STUDY TRIP TO LONGWOOD GARDENS AND SO MUCH MORE

Join us on April, 2 at 7:00 PM at Meijer Gardens when we will "travel" with Rebecca Finneran, the Kent/MSUE Horticultural Educator. She conducted a study trip to Pennsylvania in September, 2008. Rebecca led her band of travelers to Longwood Gardens, known as America's premier garden. They also stopped at Phipps Conservatory in Pittsburgh, a Victorian glasshouse resembling Kew in England and Chanticleer, a 35 acre garden which blends new age design with an historical rolling countryside estate. Rebecca's beautiful photography combined with her wonderful teaching abilities will be a great way to end our winter season.

### OUR SPRING AUCTION IS THE PLACE TO BE

You will not want to miss this event! Our annual Spring auction and plant sale is on May 14 at 7:00 PM at the Kent MSU Extension Office (775 Ball Ave. at the corner of Ball and Bradford). From Miniature Mime with her 2" bloom to Thin Man with his 12" bloom, there is sure to be something for everyone! Invite your gardening friends. This is our first fundraiser for the Ronald McDonald garden makeover so please bring your plants to donate, your Eureka's, cash or checkbook and bid generously!! Remember the public is welcome, so invite all your friends!

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-Carol DeVries  
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## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

We Michiganders are a hardy lot. I don't mean only that we are able to survive and thrive in the cold. We also manage to keep our spirits up and our love of gardening alive during the long sunless days. We turn our attention to our catalogs and computers and finally have the time to get those dust bunnies out from under the bed. I am grateful for those times, but I have to say I'm just so excited to see the spring this year. I'm so ready to get outside, watch for daffodil sprouts and just smell that rich soil. I am also getting really eager to see what wonderful plants the auction brings in. To get us all started on that, we have included a list of our auction plants in this newsletter. So turn to that area, get out those highlighters, and make your own color in these gray days!

—Carol DeVries

## GARDEN TOUR SEASON IS HERE!!

5939 S. Parkway SE, Kentwood 49508 281-4840

After more than fifteen years of living across from other club members and seeing their beautiful garden, Kay Hannah purchased this garden, complete with a home, four years ago, and has tended it since. Kay's garden will be open for you to tour on June 4 at 6:30 pm! The garden is predominately a compact shade garden and home to a wide variety of Hostas, including an area of mini Hostas along the front brick walk. One of the back gardens is devoted to Daylilies. Perennials for variety and annuals for constant color round out this wonderful garden. Please join us!

**Directions from downtown GR**— Take US-131 South 7.9 miles to the M-6 exit (exit 77) toward Lansing and merge onto M-6 (1.6 miles). Take the Kalamazoo Ave. exit (exit 11), follow a slight left on Kalamazoo Ave SE (.5 mi). Turn left on 60th St, SE (.8 mi) then a right on S. Parkway, down 6 homes to 5939 S. Parkway SE (yellow house with white trim).

## RONALD McDONALD HOUSE

We started the ball rolling at Ronald McDonald House! Our offer to build a new retaining wall for the bed we maintain there has led them to really look at how they utilize their backyard. As a result we have an exciting opportunity to be a major part of the revitalization they are now committing to making. Their donation team is swinging into action to raise funds for some ambitious and exciting plans. Our bed will move to a prime backyard area and will provide a lovely place for families to sit while their children enjoy the playground as well as be viewed from the main sitting area inside. At the January meeting the GVDS membership voted to support this project, but I wanted to advise you that the retaining wall plan is now on hold. Instead we have an opportunity to be a part of a much greater plan. I have assured them that our societies' focus is to be of service and that we are thrilled to step back and be a small part of a greater whole. This offer was never about us, but to support a very worthy organization. I will be sharing the updates as they occur at the monthly meetings, but I did want you to know how very much RMH appreciates what our society has done in the past and is offering to do in the future.

## MAY AUCTION PICTURES

Our auctions have been much enriched by the addition of the projected daylily photos. We'd like to build on this for May's auction by also including pictures of any higher end donated plants. We can only accomplish this with your help. Please provide Carol DeVries with the name of any daylily you are planning to donate that has a Eureka value of \$30 or higher. Donor names will remain anonymous upon request. While it would be wonderful to be able to show pictures of all daylilies, we realize that it often is a last minute decision to donate. Prior notification while nice is certainly not necessary, all donations are appreciated.

## CONGRATULATIONS HELEN BURKHARDT

Helen Burkhardt was the lucky winner of a \$100 gift certificate for a round of golf generously donated by the Cedar Chase Golf Course. Helen played that generosity forward by donating this wonderful prize to the club to be auctioned at the May Club Auction. Please be sure to thank Helen for her generosity. Also remember life is not all digging holes, the highest bid will get to play a few holes instead. It could also make a great Fathers Day gift!

## NEW ROSTERS AVAILABLE

I have e-mailed the electronic version of the club roster, so if you haven't received it I might not have a correct e-mail address for you. A quick e-mail to

[DDVOTTAWA@JUNO.COM](mailto:DDVOTTAWA@JUNO.COM)

letting me know will correct that and get you a roster, reminders of meetings and occasional member news items. If you prefer to receive a paper copy of the roster they will be available at the April meeting. Keep in Touch! - Carol

## CHRISTMAS IN MAY

For those of us who had the pleasure to attend the Christmas party, we came away with more than great memories. We also came away with a card that entitled us to a free daylily from a generous but anonymous donor. That donor will be bringing the daylilies to the May auction for distribution. So please remember to dig out that gift card and bring it to the auction. If you've lost your card, please notify us prior to the auction to keep the exchange running smoothly.

## SEEKING CLUB PLANT GROWERS

You joined GVDS because you love to grow daylilies. Club plants are your chance to grow something new and support the club while doing it. Carol Kerr will be bringing the sign-up sheet to grow club plants to the March and April meetings. Want to know more about what this involves? See last quarter's newsletter available on the website for a complete description.



**Note:** Our member growers will provide as many of these daylilies as possible. Some may not be available for the May Auction

### Award Winners for 2009

**Adorable Tiger** (RASMUSSEN, 1998) height 26", bloom 5", season M, Dormant, Tetraploid, Fragrant, 18 buds, 4 branches, Gold with red eye and yellow green throat. From Marietta Gardens Eureka Price \$50.00 **2008 Don C. Stevens Award**, Best Eyed Cultivar

**Awesome Candy** (Stamile, 2000) height 25", bloom 3.5", season EM, Rebloom, Evergreen, Tetraploid, Fragrant, 25 buds, 4 branches, Yellow with cherry red eye and picottee above green throat. From Goldcoast Daylilies. Eureka Price \$12.44 **2008 Annie T. Giles Award**, Best Small Flower

**Betty Ford** (Kirchhoff-D., 2002) height 30", bloom 5.5", season EE, Rebloom, Semi-Evergreen, Tetraploid, 26 buds, 4 branches, Garnet red with Chinese red watermark halo above yellow to green throat. From Goldcoast Daylilies. Eureka Price \$32.85 **2008 Early Season Bloom Award**

**Catcher in the Eye** (Kinnebrew-J., 2001) height 30", bloom 5.25", season EM, Rebloom, Evergreen, Tetraploid, 30 buds, 4 branches, Lavender purple with purple eye and picottee edge above yellow throat. From Goldcoast Daylilies Eureka Price \$18.80 **2008 R. W. Munson, Jr. Award**, Best Patterned Cultivar

**King Kahuna** (Crochet, 1994) height 22", bloom 6.5", season EM, Rebloom, Semi-Evergreen, Diploid, Double, Medium yellow self. From Marietta Gardens Eureka Price \$15.54 **2008 Lenington All-American Award**

**Sergeant Major** (Trimmer, 2003) height 44", bloom 11", season EM, Rebloom, Semi-Evergreen, Tetraploid, 18 buds, 2 branches, Spider Ratio 4.00:1, Red self above green throat. From Goldcoast Daylilies Eureka Price \$49.37 **2008 Harris Olson Spider Award - Tie**, Best Spider or Variant

**Thin Man** (Trimmer, 2002) height 42", bloom 12", season M, Rebloom, Evergreen, Tetraploid, 24 buds, 2 branches, UFO Cascade, Bright red self above yellow green throat. From Marietta Gardens Eureka Price \$27.37 **2008 Lambert/ Webster Award**, Best Unusual Form

#### Donated by Nikki Schmith

**Debbie's Vows** (Schaben, 2001) height 28", bloom 5", season EM, Rebloom, Dormant, Tetraploid, Pink polychrome with gold edge above green throat. Catalog Price \$25.00

**Matchless Fire** (SCHINDLER, 2004) height 29", bloom 6.25", season M, Semi-Evergreen, Tetraploid, Fragrant, 14 buds, 2 branches, Red with orange eye above gold throat. Eureka Price \$27.00

**Possum Pogo** (Reed, 2001) height 30", bloom 6", season M, Dormant, Diploid, 15 buds, 2 branches, UFO Cascade, Cream pink with dark rose eye above light yellow throat. Eureka Price \$35.00

**Web of Intrigue** (Stamile, 1999) height 30", bloom 6", season EE, Rebloom, Evergreen, Tetraploid, Fragrant, 35 buds, 5 branches, Pale orange with etched pattern of lavender and purple above green throat. Donated by Nikki Schmith Eureka Price \$8.87

### Auction Plants

**Art Gallery Quilling** (Lambertson, 1998) height 30", bloom 7.5", season M, Semi-Evergreen, Tetraploid, 25 buds, 3 branches, UFO Crispate, Red with light red watermark and green throat. From Art Gallery Garden. Grown by Hagy and McMahon Eureka Price \$12

**Best Behavior** (Mason-M., 2002) height 32", bloom 5", season EM, Rebloom, Dormant, Tetraploid, Fragrant, 25 buds, 5 branches, Peach yellow blend above green throat. From North Country Daylilies. Grown by Hankinson Catalog Price \$25

**Face of the Stars** (Lambertson, 2001) height 28", bloom 5.5", season M, Rebloom, Semi-Evergreen, Tetraploid, 20 buds, 3 branches, Red violet with steely red violet eye and white sharks teeth edge above green throat. From Art Gallery Garden. Grown by Kropf and Anderson Eureka Price \$23

**Flying Saucer Blues** (Lambertson, 2000) height 22", bloom 5.5", season EM, Rebloom, Semi-Evergreen, Tetraploid, 25 buds, 3 branches, Lavender cream with purple eye and purple and white edging above green throat. From Art Gallery Garden. Grown by Smith and Sniff Eureka Price \$28

**Giggle Creek** (Culver-B., 2000) height 28", bloom 5", season MLa, Semi-Evergreen, Tetraploid, Fragrant, 18 buds, 3 branches, Lavender with purple eye and edge above green throat. From North Country Daylilies. Grown by Vander Wilp Catalog Price \$35

**Jeweled Tiara** (Joiner-J., 1999) height 28", bloom 6.5", season M, Rebloom, Semi-Evergreen, Diploid, 21 buds, 4 branches, Double 98%, Powder pink self with light green throat. From North Country Daylilies. Grown by Kropf and Anderson Eureka Price \$17

**Longleson Coconut Cream** (Mason-M., 2000) height 35", bloom 5.5", season MLa, Semi-Evergreen, Tetraploid, Fragrant, 25 buds, 4 branches, Cream self above yellow throat. From North Country Daylilies. Grown by Tgiros Catalog Price \$25

**Not of This World** (Lambertson, 2003) height 28", bloom 9", season EM, Rebloom, Evergreen, Tetraploid, 18 buds, 3 branches, UFO Crispate, Medium pink with red purple eye and picottee inner edge and thin cream white outer edge above green throat. From Art Gallery Garden. Grown by Busk and DeVries Eureka Price \$35

**Pince Nez** (Mason-M., 2000) height 22", bloom 4", season M, Dormant, Tetraploid, 15 buds, 3 branches, Black purple self above green throat. From North Country Daylilies. Grown by Kerr Catalog Price \$25

**Raptor Rap** (Lambertson, 2001) height 28", bloom 5.5", season EM, Rebloom, Semi-Evergreen, Tetraploid, 20 buds, 4 branches, Purple with blue purple eye and smoky blue violet white shark tooth edge above green throat. From Art Gallery Garden. Grown by Tgiros and Kerr Eureka Price \$34

**Rescue Me** (Mason-M., 2002) height 26", bloom 5", season EM, Rebloom, Dormant, Tetraploid, Very Fragrant, 15 buds, 3 branches, Yellow peach with amber pencil mark band above yellow green throat. From North Country Daylilies. Grown by Sniff Catalog Price \$20

**Sink Into Your Eyes** (Lambertson, 2003) height 22", bloom 5.5", season E, Rebloom, Semi-Evergreen, Tetraploid, 20 buds, 4 branches, Light pink cream with medium red violet eye and inner edge cream and gold braid above green throat. From Art Gallery Garden. Grown by Kleinhuizen and Rathbun Eureka Price \$23

**Sugarplum Taffy** (Mason-M., 2003) height 33", bloom 5", season MLa, Dormant, Tetraploid, 30 buds, 5 branches, Pale lavender pink with orchid eye above yellow to green throat. From North Country Daylilies. Grown by Rathbun Held for Increase – No price available

**Talia Jordan** (Mason-M., 2000) height 28", bloom 5.5", season M, Semi-Evergreen, Tetraploid, 20 buds, 3 branches, Pink with wine purple eye and picotee above green throat. From North Country Daylilies. Grown by Smith Eureka Price \$25

**Velvet Web** (Lambertson, 2000) height 36", bloom 9", season EM, Rebloom, Semi-Evergreen, Tetraploid, 20 buds, 3 branches, Ufo Crispate, Purple violet with deep purple eye above green throat. From Art Gallery Garden. Grown by Veurink and Brown Eureka Price \$27

**Way Beyond the Sun** (Lambertson, 2003) height 40", bloom 7.5", season EM, Rebloom, Semi-Evergreen, Tetraploid, 20 buds, 3 branches, Ufo Crispate, Cream yellow self above green throat. From Art Gallery Garden. Grown by VanderWilp and Hankinson Catalog Price \$25

### **Auction Plants returning for second time**

**Ain't She Nice**; Stamile 2000 28" EMRe 6.5" Fr. Dor. Tet. Cake icing pink above green throat Grower: C. Hagy \$18

**Darla Anita**; Kinnebrew 1999 30" EM 7" Evr. Tet. Lavender blend with a gold edge above green throat Grower: S&G Smith \$27.81

**Doctor Charles Molano**; Trimmer 2002 30" MLa 6" Fr. Sev. Tet. 95% Double Ivory self above dark green throat Grower: L. Hankinson \$17.50

**Enchanting Esmerelda**; Salter 2002 26" EMRe 5.5" Sev. Tet. Rose-pink with light rose-pink eye above green throat Grower: M. Inman, C. Kerr \$16

**Glazed Porcelain Truffle**; Kirchoff 2000 28" EERe 5.5" Fr. Ext. Sev. Tet. 97% Double Shell pink self above yellow to green throat Grower: C. Ross \$19

**Guadalajara**; Carpenter 2003 22" MRe 5.5" Fr. Sev. Tet. 75% Double Very hot orange self Grower: S&G Smith, C. Hagy \$33

**Hollywood Lights**; Trimmer 1999 25" EMRe 5" Sev. Tet. Lavender with a gold edge above yellow-green throat. Grower: D&S Veurink \$16.40

**John Allgood**; Shooter R2003 31" MRe 7" Fr. Sev. Dip. Melon cream blend with bubbly yellow gold edge above green to yellow throat. Grower: C. DeVries \$42.50

**Kachina Firecracker**; N. Roberts 2002 36" MLa 6.5" Ext. Sev. Dip. Unusual form, Cherry red self above green throat. Grower: M. Inman \$32.50

**Lake Effect**; Stamile 1996 23" MRe 7.25" Fr. Dor. Tet. Mauve-purple with a blue-gray-lavender eyezone and green throat. Grower: C. DeVries \$22.75

**Magic Amethyst**; Stamile 1996 27" EMRe 5.5" Very Fr. Dor. Tet. Amethyst lavender blend w/ green throat. Grower: A. Tgiros \$17.75

**Miniature Mime**; E.H. Salter 2003 18" EMRe 2" Evr. Dip. Ivory w/ red eye above yellow-green throat. Grower: C. DeVries, K. Anderson \$17.50

**Nathan Sommers'**; N. Roberts 2001 32" MRe 8.5" Ext. Sev. Unusual Form. Raspberry red self above green throat. Grower: M. Rathbun, S. Brown \$29.37

**Pat Garrity**; Stamile 2002 25" EERe 5" Fr. Sev. Tet. Bright gold w/ ruby red eye above green throat. Grower: C. Ross, L. Hankinson \$14.80

**Ram**; Whatley 1994 25" MLaRe 7" Ext. Sev. Tet. Yellow self w/ white edge and green throat. Grower: C. Kerr \$21.37

**Skinwalker**; N. Roberts 1997 32" M 8.5" Noc. Dor. Ext. Dip. Spider Lavender blend w/ green throat. Grower: K. Anderson \$26.72

**Sorcerer's Hat**; E.H. Salter 2003 25" MRe 5" Dor. Tet. 60% Double. Lavender w/ washed violet eye above yellow-green throat. Grower: V. Kleinhuizen \$37.50

**South Beach Sunset**; Peat 2001 20" MRe 6" Dor. Tet. Orange w/ rose-red eye and edge above green throat. Grower: D&S Veurink, N. Sniff \$20

**Spacecoast Cranberry Breeze**; J. Kinnebrew 1999 24" EMRe 5.5" Sev. Tet. Cranberry self with gold edge above melon throat. Grower: J. Kropf \$20.33

**Spider Walk**; E. Shooter 2000 32" MRe 9" Dor Tet Velvety black ruby red above a huge yellow green center throat Eureka \$ 49.50

**Tiny Morsel**; T. Bell 2002 24" MRe 2.75" Dor. Tet. Orange sherbet w/ wine eye above green throat. Grower: P. DeVries, M. Hawkins \$15.50

### Door Prize Plants

**Always Afternoon** (Morss, 1987) height 22", bloom 5.5", season E, Rebloom, Semi-Evergreen, Tetraploid, Medium mauve edged buff with purple eyezone and green throat. From Roycroft Daylily Nursery. Grown by VanderWilp and Smith Eureka Price \$6.30

**Angelic Grin** (Joiner, 1992) height 20", bloom 5.5", season ML, Rebloom, Dormant, Diploid, Fragrant, Double, Light rose self with yellow green throat. From Roycroft Daylily Nursery. Grown by Tgiros Eureka Price \$7.00

**Avante Garde** (Moldovan, 1986) height 26", bloom 5.5", season EM, Dormant, Tetraploid, Amber tan bitone with red orange eyezone and yellow green throat. From Roycroft Daylily Nursery. Grown by Kleinhuizen, VanderWilp, Smith, and Rathbun Eureka Price \$5.50

**Ballyhoo** (Joiner, 1986) height 30", bloom 5", season M, Semi-Evergreen, Diploid, Fragrant, Tan with deep mahogany eyezone and green throat. From Roycroft Daylily Nursery. Grown by Sniff Eureka Price \$5.33

**Beyond Thunder Dome** (Hanson-C., 1999) height 36", bloom 3", season M, Semi-Evergreen, Tetraploid, Fragrant, Violet burgundy above chartreuse throat. From Roycroft Daylily Nursery. Grown by Kerr Eureka Price \$10.00

**Buttered Popcorn** (Benzinger, 1971) height 32", bloom 6", season MLa, Dormant, Tetraploid, Fragrant, Butter yellow self. From Roycroft Daylily Nursery. Grown by Hankinson Eureka Price \$5.50

**Cherry Candy** (Stamile, 1989) height 30", bloom 4.25", season M, Dormant, Tetraploid, Fragrant, Cream peach with cherry red eyezone and green throat. From Roycroft Daylily Nursery. Grown by Hagy Eureka Price \$6.88

**Condilla** (GROOMS, 1977) height 20", bloom 4.5", season EM, Dormant, Diploid, Double, Deep gold self. From Roycroft Daylily Nursery. Grown by VanderWilp, Rathbun, Smith Eureka Price \$5.36

**Elegant Candy** (Stamile, 1995) height 25", bloom 4.25", season EM, Rebloom, Dormant, Tetraploid, Very Fragrant, Pink with red eyezone and green throat. From Roycroft Daylily Nursery. Grown by Anderson Eureka Price \$7.26

**Elfin Illusion** (Salter-E.H., 1995) height 22", bloom 3.5", season ML, Semi-Evergreen, Diploid, Purple with washed lavender eyezone and green throat. From Roycroft Daylily Nursery. Veurink Eureka Price \$7.40

**Eternity Road** (Salter, 1997) height 26", bloom 5.5", season M, Semi-Evergreen, Tetraploid, Coral rose blend with gold edge and a yellow to green throat. From Roycroft Daylily Nursery. Grown by Brown Eureka Price \$8.00

**Exotic Candy** (Stamile, 1995) height 26", bloom 4.25", season M, Rebloom, Dormant, Tetraploid, Very Fragrant, Light pink with dark red rose eyezone and green throat. From Roycroft Daylily Nursery. Grown by McMahan Eureka Price \$7.00

**Fin and Feather** (BUMGARDNER, 1995) height 36", bloom 4", season EM, Rebloom, Semi-Evergreen, Diploid, Double, Purple self with yellow green throat. From Countryside Daylilies. Grown by Kerr Eureka Price \$10.00

**Forsyth Mardi Gras** (Lefever, 1996) height 32", bloom 6", season M, Semi-Evergreen, Tetraploid, Fragrant, Greenish rose blend and green throat. From Roycroft Daylily Nursery. Grown by Rathbun and Anderson Eureka Price \$10.00

**Grape Velvet** (WILD, 1978) height 24", bloom 4.5", season M, Dormant, Diploid, Grape purple with medium large green throat. From Roycroft Daylily Nursery. Grown by Anderson and Busk Eureka Price \$5.71

**Jessica Lilian** (CHILDS-F., 1980) height 26", bloom 6.5", season EM, Rebloom, Dormant, Diploid, UFO Crispate, Purple with darker eyezone and green throat. From Roycroft Daylily Nursery. Grown by Kropf Eureka Price \$6.00

**Kindly Light** (BECHTOLD, 1950) height 29", season M, Dormant, Diploid, Spider Ratio 7.70:1. From Roycroft Daylily Nursery. Grown by Tgiros Eureka Price \$6.25

**Mary's Gold** (MCDONELL-H., 1984) height 34", bloom 6.5", season M, Dormant, Diploid, Brilliant golden orange self with green throat. From Roycroft Daylily Nursery. Grown by Busk and DeVries Eureka Price \$7.76

**Melrose Lace** (Scott-E., 1999) height 30", bloom 5.5", season E, Rebloom, Semi-Evergreen, Tetraploid, Fragrant, 28 buds, 5 branches, Dark pink bitone with vivid pink halo and heavy gold edge above green throat. From Countryside Daylilies. Grown by Kropf and DeVries

[Night Beacon](#) (Hansen, 1988) height 27", bloom 4", season EM, Rebloom, Evergreen,, Black purple with large chartreuse center and green throat. From Roycroft Daylily Nursery. Grown by Kleinhuizen and DeVries Eureka Price \$5.66

[Noble Warrior](#) (Salter, 1996) height 28", bloom 5.5", season EM, Rebloom, Semi-Evergreen, Tetraploid, Red self and yellow to green throat. From Roycroft Daylily Nursery. Grown by Sniff and Kropf Eureka Price \$7.00

[Olympic Showcase](#) (Stamile, 1990) height 24", bloom 6.25", season EM, Semi-Evergreen, Tetraploid, Fragrant, Brilliant gold self with green throat. From Roycroft Daylily Nursery. Grown by Sniff Eureka Price \$7.18

[Ottis' Magic](#) (HOUSTON, 1996) height 27", bloom 7", season EM, Rebloom, Semi-Evergreen, Tetraploid, Fragrant, Lavender cream blend with gold eyezone and green heart throat. From Countryside Daylilies. Grown by McMahon Eureka Price \$11.33

[Peach Magnolia](#) (Joiner, 1986) height 32", bloom 5.5", season MLa, Rebloom, Dormant, Diploid, Double, Peach self with green throat. From Roycroft Daylily Nursery. Grown by Kerr Eureka Price \$7.30

[Pink Beacon](#) (Carpenter-J., 1991) height 26", bloom 5.5", season M, Rebloom, Dormant, Diploid, Fragrant, Pink self with very green throat. From Roycroft Daylily Nursery. Grown by Veurink and Busk Eureka Price \$6.16

[Real Wind](#) (WILD, 1977) height 27", bloom 6.5", season ML, Dormant, Tetraploid, Light orange with rose halo and gold throat. From Roycroft Daylily Nursery. Grown by Kleinhuizen Eureka Price \$5.75

[Red Bloomers](#) (Scott-E., 2002) height 32", bloom 8.5", season E, Rebloom, Semi-Evergreen, Tetraploid, Fragrant, 20 buds, 3 branches, UFO Cascade, Orange red blend with red eye and yellow midribs above yellow green throat. From Countryside Daylilies. Grown by Veurink and Brown Eureka Price \$25.00

[School Mascot](#) (Scott-E., 1999) height 32", bloom 5.25", season E, Rebloom, Semi-Evergreen, Tetraploid, Fragrant, 27 buds, 4 branches, Plum purple with chalky watermark above chartreuse throat. From Countryside Daylilies. Grown by Hagy

[Snowing Down South](#) (Scott-E., 1997) height 27", bloom 5.5", season M, Rebloom, Semi-Evergreen, Diploid, Very Fragrant, Near white with a green throat. From Countryside Daylilies. Grown by Tgiros and Brown Eureka Price \$15.00

[Soft Pink Cloud](#) (HOUSTON, 1999) height 25", bloom 4.75", season EE, Rebloom, Semi-Evergreen, Tetraploid, Fragrant, 12 buds, 3 branches, Double 90%, Pink peach blend above pink throat. From Countryside Daylilies. Grown by Hankinson

[Sweet Vidalia](#) (Scott-E., 1998) height 22", bloom 5.75", season M, Rebloom, Semi-Evergreen, Tetraploid, Fragrant, 20 buds, 4 branches, Light pink with gold edge and green throat. From Countryside Daylilies. Grown by Hagy Eureka Price \$20.00

[Trimmed in Ruffles](#) (Scott-E., 1999) height 22", bloom 5", season E, Rebloom, Semi-Evergreen, Tetraploid, Fragrant, 18 buds, 3 branches, Pink yellow blend with very ruffled gold edge above green throat. From Countryside Daylilies. Grown by McMahon

### THANKS TO OUR SPEAKERS FOR GENEROUS DONATIONS!

We thank Mike and Sandy Holmes, our speakers last October, for "doubling our money." If you saw their presentation, you know what a nice variety they offer with Sandy's tetraploid unusual forms and Mike's rounded forms, patterns and shark tooth edges. Nikki Schmith also donated four beautiful cultivars including one hybridized by a grower right here in SE Michigan. Her pictures of these daylilies shown to us in February were stunning. Don't Miss Them!!

### WE NEED YOU!!

To help at the Spring Auction on May 14. The following fun "opportunities" are available:

**SETUP CREW** - arrive by 6:15 to set up tables and chairs

**AUCTION TABLE ORGANIZERS & TAGGERS** - arrive by 6:30, assist donors, tag and alphabetize incoming daylilies, bring your Eureka or borrow one, and a permanent marker would be helpful

**RUNNERS** - high performance Nikes optional, arrive by 6:50, will walk the daylilies from the back table to the auctioneer, advise the auctioneer of the cultivar name and quantity, please also check for larger fans that should be auctioned first before other smaller fan(s), remain at front to assist auctioneer in counting bidders' hands, distribute plant to winning bidders and return to back table

**CLEAN UP CREW** - Many hands make light work on this one. MSUE generously hosts our event so getting the tables cleaned and chairs and tables packed up in a timely manner makes for smiling faces all around!

Some members have done more than one job at past auctions. Yes, that is still allowed!

Please contact Sharon VanderWilp at [slvanderwilp@sbcglobal.net](mailto:slvanderwilp@sbcglobal.net) or 447-8998 to volunteer.

## **OTTAWAKENT OPEN HOUSE JUNE 20, RAIN OR SHINE!**

Once again GVDS members are being offered a chance to attend Fred and Win DeVries's open house offered in conjunction with the West Michigan Hosta club. This is a great opportunity to see their lovely garden and to shop at their nursery. The OttawaKent Nursery is a wholesale operation and not normally open to the public, but for this one day they will be offering to sell to retail customers. So don't miss this opportunity to grab some bargains and see a great garden – it's Saturday, June 21 from 8:00 to 5:00 at 2089 Hayes NW in Marne. Please call Fred or Win at 677.3361 with any questions.

## **REGION 2 SUMMER TRIP PLANNED!**

If you are thinking of attending the Region 2 summer meeting this year, you were probably pleased to hear it was close by in Chicago. Many of you are already mapping out family trips that start or end with this fun event. For those members who would like to travel as a group, we will be sending a 15 passenger van. It is our intention to rent a van and split the rental and gas expense among the riders. Depending on passenger interest side trips to the Chicago Botanical Park, nurseries, or open gardens are possible. Once the Regional starts the van will be parked, and van riders will join other attendees on the provided tour buses. AHS will therefore not be offering any discount on attendance fees. Please call Carol DeVries at 677.5530 if you would like to join the group either as a driver or a passenger, or simply want more information. If you have a van and would like to take paying passengers, be sure to let us know!

## **DAYLILY SHOW PREVIEW—SAVE THIS DATE!**

Saturday, July 18 is the date for our 9th annual Daylily Show at Frederik Meijer Gardens. This year's show is one week later than in past years to allow attendance at the Region 2 Daylily Meeting in Chicago on July 10-12. Our 2009 Daylily Show will again display 100s of Daylily cultivars and seedlings brought in by our club members. The featured Daylily for 2009 will be Pink-Colored Daylilies. Any and all Daylilies from Peach to Rose Pink will be displayed in a special area. Pink seems to be a popular color perhaps because it matches so well with other garden flowers. Club members and visitors will be asked to vote for their favorite Pink Daylily. No special knowledge is needed, we simply would love to include your blooms as we again display:

- ~Daylily off-scape blooms
- ~Daylily on-scape blooms to showcase structure, budding and height.
- ~New seedlings that show promise
- ~Educational Programs
- ~Children's Activities
- ~Club purchased daylilies coming up for auction
- ~Popularity voting for your favorite daylilies

There will also be a judged Artistic Design Division that features Daylilies arranged with companion flowers. This year's Design theme is "AMERICAN TREASURES" that will exhibit the Washington Monument, Chinatown and the Rocky Mountains.

"Plant" to participate by bringing daylilies, helping out, and enjoying the day. The usual admission cost to Meijer Gardens will be charged to the general public, but GVDS members are admitted free with name tag (our name tag box will be at the front desk). Show Chair, Steve Smith, can be reached at 878.1759 or [smithg3761@sbcglobal.net](mailto:smithg3761@sbcglobal.net).

## **DOOR PRIZE DAYLILIES—NEW PROCEDURE**

At the last couple auctions, the door prize table was beginning to resemble the day after Thanksgiving at the electronics store. In an effort to keep our club off the front page and get you the door prize daylilies you won or earned, a new method of distributing them will take place at our Spring Auction.

We are asking all members to pre-select the daylilies you would like prior to auction night. Please see the list of Door Prize Daylilies included in this newsletter. You will have several opportunities to submit your "wish list." The first is any-time by e-mail to Carol DeVries at [ddvottawa@juno.com](mailto:ddvottawa@juno.com) (or phone 677-5530 if you do not have e-mail). The second opportunity is at the April meeting. Our Secretary, Nancy Sniff will post both a list of who is entitled to a door prize daylily with quantity and a list of the door prize daylily cultivars with pictures. The last chance to submit your request will be on auction night prior to the 7:00 PM start by placing your choices in the marked basket at the door prize table.

Once all daylilies have been received and the auction begins, the Door Prize Table Attendant will begin filling prizes in order of the date the wish list was received. To ensure that as many members as possible receive their top choices, after each person gets their first plant, that person's list will be placed in back until every person has one daylily. Then the orders for the lucky winners of multiple prizes will be filled in the same manner until all prizes are awarded. You can claim your bag of plant(s) from the Door Prize Pickup Table (which will be organized alphabetically) during the mid-Auction break or at the end of the auction. When submitting your wish list, please mark several choices in order of your preference, as we will not know the availability of incoming daylilies until auction night. If you cannot attend the auction, you must designate another member who is attending to pick up your plants. We appreciate your cooperation as we try this out and hope it improves our auctions!

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**WHAT WE'RE ALL ABOUT**  
The Grand Valley Daylily Society is a 501(c)7 non-profit organization organized to promote and encourage the development and improvement of the daylily and to increase interest in its use as a means of home and civic beautification.

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**OPEN GARDEN TIPS**

In June we resume our summer outdoor meetings in member gardens. We all love to share some sun and the lovely gardens of our fellow members. Let's live up to our 'come for the flowers, stay for the friends' reputation and make it as fun for the hosts as it is for the guests. Presented below are a few reminders for us all.

- Keep it beautiful - leave purses, bags, unnecessary camera equipment on your chair or locked in your car as they can swing and damage daylilies.
- Ask permission before stepping into a flower bed for any reason.
- Do not disturb pollen or deadhead spent blooms as the host may have a hybridizing program.
- Share your enjoyment, do not criticize.
- Be gracious and thank the host.

**REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR LAWN CHAIR FOR THE MEETINGS.**

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