



# The GVDS Gazette

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## 2008 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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**April 3, 7:00 pm**  
Barb Balgoyen, Walters Gardens  
Meijer Gardens

**May 8, 7:00 pm**  
GVDS Annual Spring Auction  
Michigan State University Extension Office  
**Please note: Location change and  
One week later for growing time**

**June 5, 6:30 pm**  
Open Garden Tour  
Marilyn Goodson  
2555 Hampshire Blvd SE, Grand Rapids

Connie Hall  
4675 Bluegrass Dr SE, Grand Rapids

**July 10, 6:30 pm**  
Open Garden Tour  
Phyllis DeVries  
460 Bayview Court, Caledonia

**July 12, 9:00 am — 5:00 pm**  
Annual Daylily Show at Meijer Gardens

**July 31, 6:30 pm**  
Open Garden and Picnic  
Ned and Rita Brown  
1050 E. Mill St., Hastings  
**Note: One week early due to club vote**

**September 4, 7:00 pm**  
GVDS Annual Fall Auction  
Michigan State University Extension Office  
**Note: Location change**

**September 6, 8:00am-2:00pm**  
Annual Daylily Sale  
Rockford Farmers' Market

**October 9, 7:00 pm**  
Mike and Sandy Holmes  
Riverbend Gardens  
Meijer Gardens  
**Note: One week later**

**November 6, 7:00 pm**  
Meeting at Meijer Gardens

**December 4**  
Christmas Dinner Party

### 2008 AHS Calendar of Events

**May 14-17**  
AHS National Convention  
Houston, Texas

**July 18-20**  
Region 2 Summer Meeting  
Madison, Wisconsin

### DESIGNER DAYLILY SERIES AT WALTERS GARDENS

#### BARB BALGOYEN

Our guest speaker on April 3 is Barb Balgoyen from Walters Gardens in Zeeland. Walters Gardens, a leading wholesaler in the perennial industry, offers their own "Designer Daylily Series", a line of daylilies they have elevated for superior blossom quality and plant performance. Barb will be presenting her power point program on the newest varieties they will be introducing in July. Barb brings over 28 years of experience in the green industry to our club—please join us!

### GOING ONCE, GOING TWICE, GONE...

Be sure and check out the list of daylilies that will be at our May auction in this newsletter. The auction will feature the club's sought after club plants as well as daylilies and perennials generously donated by club members. This sale is one of the primary fund raisers for the club and we are counting on your support. So please bring your plants to donate, your Eureka's, and a whole lot of bidding enthusiasm! The auction will again be held at the Kent/MSU Extension Office at 775 Ball Ave (corner of Ball and Bradford). Bidding will begin at 7:00pm, so get there early and grab a ringside seat. As always, the public is welcome!

## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

I know it doesn't seem like it right now, but we are quickly heading into spring. We as gardeners are arguably the most appreciative of this wonderful season. I just can't wait to get out there and admire the spring blooms as I look for the emerging daylily foliage that will hide the bulbs dying foliage. Now while my enthusiasm is high and my back not yet sore, I love to plan new gardens and changes to my existing ones. The nursery industry seems to know this, and has just buried me with tempting catalogs. I'll bet it is the same for you. As you look at these tempting pictures and start your own plans, you might want to consider some of the wonderful plants we will be offering at the May auction. Spring is just around the corner, and I'm willing to bet we will be in shirt sleeves within a month! So hang in there and keep your dreams warm!  
—Carol DeVries

## EXTREME GARDEN MAKEOVERS

*June's Open Gardens are tales of Extreme Garden Makeovers—one accomplished and one very much in process:*  
When Marilyn Goodson moved to her home in 1987, there were only a few old landscape plants in front and an 8" strip of white marble chips along the fence line. On June 5 at 6:30 pm, we get to see the results of her garden makeover. Her garden now surrounds a peaceful free formed pool with waterfall and is packed with a wide variety of unique and stunning plants—including 180 varieties of daylilies, 50 clematis, hosta, helebore, tricyrtis to name a few. You also won't want to miss the 30' pergola almost totally covered by a beautiful Chinese Wisteria. The garden is flat, easily accessible and there is ample parking on Hampshire.

**Directions:** Take US131 to I196 E. (which becomes I-96) Take the E. Beltline exit and turn right. Drive 2.3 miles and turn right at Lake Dr. After .5 mile, stay straight to go onto Elmwood Dr. for .3 miles. Left on Conlon for .3 miles then right onto Hampshire Blvd. to 2555 Hampshire Blvd. SE

Our second garden visit of the evening will find us at Connie Hall's yard. She and her husband Bill are in the process of revamping nearly 20 year old landscaping. Year One of the yard makeover was completed last summer, a second phase is in process this spring. *In process*, may be an understatement. Depending on the spring weather, work may still be happening. Come and enjoy the process and her large yard and the finished area. You'll be able to appreciate the finished project in years to come.

**Directions from Marilyn's:** Drive east on Hampshire Blvd then turn left on Conlon Dr. Then turn right onto Elmwood Drive. Elmwood Dr. becomes Lake Dr. Stay on Lake Dr approximately 1.5 miles until you come to E Paris, turn left. About .7 mile north is Cascade Road, turn right. At the third stop light turn right onto Forest Hills Ave. Approximately .75 miles is Bluegrass Dr. (just past Meadowbrook School), turn left. Turn left at the first street. Connie's house is the second house on the left.

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

## MAY AUCTION PICTURES

Our auctions have been much enriched by the addition of the projected daylily pictures and data. 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.

## DOOR PRIZE WINNERS

Were you one of lucky members who won a door prize Daylily? Well the time to redeem those door prize tickets is at the May auction. Our volunteer growers will be bringing the daylilies to the May auction for you to pick up. If you will be unable to come to auction, please make arrangements to have someone else pick up your prize for you.

## 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 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

Love to grow daylilies? Well here is 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.

## OTTAWAKENT OPEN HOUSE – JUNE 21, 2008

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 MEETING INFORMATION

Elsewhere in this newsletter is information on the Region 2 Summer Meeting hosted by the Wisconsin Daylily Society in Madison. The dates for this exciting weekend of "daylily overload" are July 18-20. To get the complete schedule for the weekend including descriptions of gardens on tour go to the GVDS website and click on "Links-Contact Information." Then click on The AHS Region 2 link. That will take you to the Region 2 homepage. It is there where you will find a link with all the information.

**CHECK IT OUT!!!!**

## LOOKING AHEAD TO SHOWTIME AT MEIJER GARDENS

Excitement is rushing your way and it will be here before you know it – Our Annual Daylily Show at Meijer Gardens on Saturday July 12 takes place 9:00am to 5:00pm. Please become a part of the fun, and bring your favorite daylilies to share with the public. Last year over 900 people made their way on a rainy Saturday to marvel at our blooms and we are expecting even more this year. It's an amazing sight to stand looking at all those daylilies in one mass. Each year we attract new members and educate the public about what daylilies really are. Please join us in the fun. It's as simple as going out on the morning of the show and plucking whatever daylily bloom is catching your eye. 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
- ~Daylilies in artistic design arrangements
- ~Popularity voting for your favorite daylilies

New this year will be an expanded popularity poll with opportunity to cast your ballot for your choice in various categories. "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, will be happy to answer your questions and can be reached at 878.1759 or smithg3761@sbcglobal.net.

## BE CREATIVE WITH YOUR DAYLILIES!

Celebrate the changing seasons with creativity when you enter the "Sensational Seasons" design division at the July Show at Meijer Gardens. Ginger Smith, Artistic Designs Chair, has just released this year's theme and design classes and it's a celebration of the yearly climate changes. So *Spring* into action and grab this excellent chance to get involved. Flower designs will be judged by accredited judges from the Michigan Garden Clubs. Arrangements must be ready for judging at 10:00am sharp on July 12. Make this year your year to celebrate the seasons by taking home a blue ribbon!

### "SENSATIONAL SEASONS"

- Class 1** "Sizzling Summer" – A mass design – other flowers may be used, but daylilies must predominate.
- Class 2** "Spring Awakening" – A design in the Oriental manner
- Class 3** "Christmas in July" – A Christmas Holiday theme place setting in a 24" x 24" space. To include place mat, napkin, plate, beverage container, and daylily arrangement. Utensils (silver) not included.
- Class 4** "Fabulous Fall" – Designers own interpretation. Use of weathered wood, dried and stained material and artificial material is permitted.
- Class 5** "Splendid Summer Petites" – Designers own interpretation. Daylilies in design must be miniatures. (Flower size – 3 inches or less)
- Class 6** "Summer Fun" – Open Class – Un-judged (no awards given) – All designs featuring daylilies are accepted.

New this year is the Open Class. This is open to all participants. No judging or awards. This is a category that is "Just for Fun". Do you have a favorite vase or container? A favorite daylily that looks great solo or with a companion? Here is your chance to show it off. Ginger Smith welcomes your questions on how to get into touch with the changing seasons at 878.1759.



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

**2005 purchases for 2008 spring auction**

**Amanda's Intrigue** - Salter, 2000 28" 5" EMRe Tet Sev Noc Sngl Lavender Pink Blend and Yellow Edge Grower: Cecil Hagy Eureka \$20.20

**Ashwood Hearth Side** - Norris, 2002 22" 5.75" MRe Tet Dor Deep red w/ yellow edge Budding at 20 to 22 Grower: Steve Smith & Lori Hankinson Catalog Value \$25

**Ashwood Still Night** - R. Norris, 2004 28" 5.25" ERe Tet Sev Sngl Deep rich purple w/ triangular bright green throat and tiny watermark Grower: Kay Anderson Eureka \$40

**Awesome Blossom** - Salter, 1996 24" 5" EMRe Tet Evr Sngl Antique rose w/ plum eye zone and yellow to green throat Grower: Millie Rathbun Eureka \$13.68

**Celebration of Angels** - Trimmer, 1999 25" 4.75" ERe Tet Ev Fra Sngl Cream w/ black / purple halo above green throat Grower: Sandy Veurink, Millie Rathbun, Kay Anderson Eureka \$15.11

**Darlington County** - Stamile, 1999 24" 6" ERe Tet Dor Fra Sngl Rose self w/ green throat Grower: Carol Kerr Eureka \$15.10

**Elegant Affair** - C. Douglas, 2002 25" 4.25" MRe Tet Dor Sngl Light pink w/ strawberry rose eye and picotee Growers: Lori Hankinson & Vivian Kleinhuizen Eureka \$15.33

**Fanciful Favorite** - E. H. Salter, 2001 27" 4.25" EMRe Tet Sev Sngl Cream / apricot / peach blend Grower: Carol Kerr Eureka \$20

**Forged in Fire** - Carr, 1999 26" 5" EMRe Tet Dor Sngl Fiery red w/ small white picotee Grower: Elizabeth Peacock Eureka \$12.50

**Hint of Dawn** - E. Scott, 1999 26" 5.5" EERe Tet Sev Peach pink blend w/ darker pink halo and gold edge Grower: Millie Rathbun Catalog \$10 DF

**Impossible Mission** - Benz, 2000 34" 6" MRe Tet Dor Fra Lavender w/ burgundy purple eye Grower: Jacki Kropf 06 Eureka \$30

**Jackie Blue** - E. Scott, 1999 32" 5.5" ERe Tet Sev Sngl Melon peach w/ etched lavender purple eye and lavender purple edge Grower: Elizabeth Peacock Eureka \$45

**Kate Akins** - E. Scott, 1997 21" 6" EMRe Tet Sev Fra Sngl Yellow w/ gold edge Grower: Sandy Veurink Eureka \$20

**Lavender Blue Baby** - J. Carpenter, 1996 28" 5.5" EMRe Dip Dor Fra Sngl Lavender blue w/ lavender blue eye zone Grower: Jacki Kropf Eureka \$27.50

**Litchfield Plantation** - C. Douglas, 2003 26" 5.75" MLaRe Tet Dor Sngl Peach cream w/ maroon eye and picotee Grower: Vivian Kleinhuizen & Mary Milanowski Eureka \$16.75

**Mandarin Cream** - E. Scott, 1998 24" 5" MRe Evr Fra Orange w/ white midribs 5 way branching with 30 bud count Grower: Cecil Hagy & Carol Kerr Eureka \$15

**Mascara Snake** - Bachman, 2002 57" 9" La Dip Sev Spd Dark red maroon w/ chartreuse midribs Grower: Mary Milanowski Eureka \$45

**Spacecoast Krinkles** - J. Kinnebrew, 1999 26" 5.75" ERe Tet Dor Sngl Peach self Grower: Carol Kerr Eureka \$16.50

**Substantial Evidence** - R. Norris, 2005 33" 6" M Dip Dor Sngl Yellow w/ orange overlay opens completely flat Grower: Charles Ross Eureka \$32.50

**Sunshine Waltz** - E. Scott, 1999 30" 4.75" MRe Tet Sev Yellow self Grower: Sandy Veurink Catalog Value \$10

**Taos** - Stamile, 1999 24" 6" EMRe Tet Dor Fra Sngl Pastel Cream Pink blend w/ gold edge Grower: Cecil Hagy & Carol Kerr Eureka \$15.50

**2006 plants for 2008 & 2009 from Bell's Daylilies**

**Ain't She Nice**; Stamile 2000 28" EMRe 6.5" Fr. Dor. Tet. Cake icing pink above green throat Grower: C. Hagy \$15

**Darla Anita**; Kinnebrew 1999 30" EM 7" Evr. Tet. Lavender blend with a gold edge above green throat Grower: S&G Smith \$29.50

**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 \$21.14

**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 \$25.40

**Guadalajara**; Carpenter 2003 22" MRe 5.5" Fr. Sev. Tet. 75% Double Very hot orange self Grower: S&G Smith, C. Hagy \$40

**Hollywood Lights**; Timmer 1999 25" EMRe 5" Sev. Tet. Lavender with a gold edge above yellow-green throat. Grower: D&S Veurink \$20

**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 \$70

**Kachina Firecracker**; N. Roberts 2002 36" MLa 6.5" Ext. Sev. Dip. Unusual orm, Cherry red self above green throat. Grower: M. Inman \$40

**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 \$29.33

**Magic Amethyst**; Stamile 1996 27" EMRe 5.5" Very Fr. Dor. Tet. Amethyst lavender blend w/ green throat. Grower: A. Tgiros \$22.92

**Miniature Mimi**; E.H. Salter 2003 18" EMRe 2" Evr. Dip. Ivory w/ red eye above yellow-green throat. Grower: C. DeVries, K. Anderson \$19.66

**Nathan Sommers'** N. Roberts 2001 32" MRe 8.5" Ext. Sev. Unusual Form. Raspberry red self above green throat. Grower: M. Rathbun, S. Brown \$36.12

**Pat Garrity**; Stamile 2002 25" EERe 5" Fr. Sev. Tet. Bright gold w/ ruby red eye above green throat. Grower: C. Ross, L. Hankinson \$21.12

**Ram**; Whatley 1994 25" MLaRe 7" Ext. Sev. Tet. Yellow self w/ white edge and green throat. Grower: C. Kerr \$20.36

**Skinwalker**; N. Roberts 1997 32" M 8.5" Noc. Dor. Ext. Dip. Spider Lavender blend w/ green throat. Grower: K. Anderson \$29.69

**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 \$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 \$30

**Spacecoast Cranberry Breeze**; J. Kinnebrew 1999 24" EMRe 5.5" Sev. Tet. Cranberry self with gold edge above melon throat. Grower: J. Kropf \$26.53

**Tiny Morsel**; T. Bell 2002 24" MRe 2.75" Dor. Tet. Orange sherbet w/ wine eye above green throat. Grower: P. DeVries, M. Hawkins \$13.75

#### 2006 Door Prize Plants for 2008 & 2009 from Marietta Gardens

**Angel Rogers**; Wilson 1996 25" ML 6" Ext. Dor. Lavender with dark lavender to purple eyezone and green throat. Grower: S. Brown

**Bill Watson**; Shooter 1996 22" MRe 5.5" Fr. Noc. Sev. Rose lavender w/ rose halo and light green throat. Grower: S. Brown

**Borders On Pink**; Santa Lucia 1990 17" MLa 5" Sev. Fuchsia pink w/ pale edges and bright green throat. Grower: L. Hankinson

**Brenda's Busy Bee**; Shooter 1999 25" MLaRe 5.5" Sev. Flesh and baby pink blend with dusted rose and lavender edge above light apricot throat. Grower: A. Tgiros

**Caribbean Purple Spires**; Talbott 1993 29" MRe 6" Sev. Tet. Dark purple self with green throat. Grower: V. Kleinhuizen

**Cerulean Star**; Lambert 1982 32" EM 7" Noc. Dor. Medium blue orchid self with green star throat. Grower: N. Sniff

**Changing Latitudes**; Shooter 1997 25" MRe 4.25" Dor. Light pink and cream bitone with multiple banded eyezone above chartreuse to green throat. Grower: V. Kleinhuizen

**Different Flavor**; Shooter 1993 28" MRe 6" Sev. Light golden peach washed rose halo above deep green throat. Grower: D&S Veurink

**Finger Painting**; Weston 1995 30" ML 8" Fr. Dor. Tet. Dark rose lavender polychrome with lavender purple eyezone and yellow green throat. Grower: D&S Veurink, N. Sniff

**Fooled Me**; Hein 1990 24" EM 5.5" Ext. Dor. Tet. Golden yellow edged red with deep red eyezone and green throat. Grower: C. Hagy

**Good Flight**; Shooter 1996 30" MLRe 7.5" Fr. Ext. Dor. Medium golden yellow self with small green throat. Grower: P. DeVries

**Grant's Play**; Crocker-Shooter 1996 28" M 6" Dor. Tet. Velvety bright red and green throat. Grower: V. Kleinhuizen

**Late Late Show**; Kennedy 1986 28" VLa 5" Dor. Pink cream with wide rose pink edges and light apricot throat. Grower: J. Kropf

**Marietta Dreamer**; Shooter 1993 23" MRe 5" Evr. Light wine purple with large deep purple eyezone above green throat. Grower: C. Ross

**Mulberry Frosted Edge**; D. Hanson 2000 26" MLaRe 5.5" Noc. Sev. Tet. Mulberry with violet to white gold double edge and lilac halo above yellow throat. Grower: M. Rathbun

**Noel Weston**; Shooter 1995 28" MRe 8" Dor. Pink cream blend with green throat. Grower: J. Kropf

**One Step Beyond**; Benz 1995 32" M 6.5" Fr. Sev. Lavender-rose self with lime green throat. Grower: M. Hawkins

**Pearl Jam**; Shooter 1995 26" MRe 5" Dor. Light lavender with purple halo and light green throat. Grower: A. Tgiros

**Pink Criterion**; Moldovan 1999 34" EMRe 5.5" Fr. Ext. Sev. Tet. Salmon pink with raided textured veining and yellow picotee above yellow to fresh green throat. Grower: C. Ross

**Regal Majesty**; Salter 1996 28" MRe 6" Sev. Tet. Purple self with gold edge. Grower: K. Anderson

**Rocket Booster**; Santa Lucia 1997 36" EMRe 7.5" Dor. Tet. Red self with a yellow to green throat. Grower: L. Hankinson

**Rose Storm**; Santa Lucia 1999 22" EMRe 4.5" 90% double. Deep rose red self above green throat. Grower: M. Inman

**Samurai Warrior**; Salter 2000 26" MRe 5" Sev. Tet. Red burgundy self above yellow green throat. Grower: K. Anderson

**Schnikel Fritz**; Kirchoff 1996 16" EMRe 5" Ext. Dor. Near white self with green throat. Grower: M. Inman

**Siloam Moore's Anniversary**; Henry 1994 24" M 5.5" Fr. Ext. Dor. Pink self with green throat. Grower: P. DeVries

**Sixteen Candles**; Shooter 1995 20" MRe 4.5" Noc. Sev. Light lavender-rose-pink bitone with wine rose halo and green throat. Grower: S&G Smith

**South Seas**; Moldovan 1993 30" MRe 5.5" Fr. Noc. Ext. Dor. Tet. Tangerine coral with red coral band above yellow green throat. Grower: C. Kerr

**South Seas**; Moldovan 1993 30" MRe 5.5" Fr. Noc. Ext. Dor. Tet. Tangerine coral with red coral band above yellow green throat. Grower: C. Kerr

**Spacecoast Tiny Perfection** Kinnabrew 1998 18" Ere 2.75" Sev. Tet. Flesh pink self with gold edge and green throat. Grower: C. Hagy

**Stolen Treasure**; Dougherty 1996 25" EM 6.5" Dor. Pink bitone with cream border and green throat. Grower: C. DeVries

**Topaz Gem**; Sellers 1990 26" M 6" Noc. Ext. Sev. Tet. Cream with slate blue eyezone and green throat. Grower: S&G Smith

**Twirling Ballerina**; Carpenter 1995 26" MRe 5.75" Dor. Peach with red eyezone and green throat. Grower: J. Kropf

**Velvet Beads**; Olson 1992 28" EM 5" Dor. Tet. Flame red self with green yellow throat. Grower: M. Rathbun

**Vesuvian Blackout**; Apps 1996 37" EM 4" Dor. Black violet with deeper violet black eyezone and yellow throat. Grower: C. Kerr

**Winter Chill**; Shooter 1996 34" MLRe 6.5" Noc. Sev. Near white self with chartreuse to green throat. Grower: M. Hawkins.

### DAYLILY INFORMATION AND RESOURCE WEBSITES

At the March meeting after the great panel discussion about a variety of topics concerning the growing and hybridizing of daylilies, the topic of websites came up. It was decided to include web addresses in the newsletter rather than attempting to write down the web addresses for various sites. Here are those promised sites:

GrandValleyDaylily.org - the best club website around!

Daylilies.org - the AHS site--Reliable database of daylilies including registration information, parentage etc., information on AHS and Region 2 meetings and conventions

TinkersGardens.com - has great color photos of daylilies in their database

abacom.com/chacha/garden.htm - a site from Quebec, includes information on hybridizers and has in the recent past featured the daylily businesses of our own members Doug and Sandy Veurink and Mandy McMahon

daylily.com - a lily auction site

NorthernMecca.com - Hybridizers of Ohio, Michigan and Kentucky

HardyHems.com - source for Northern hardy cultivars

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**AMERICAN HEMEROCALLIS SOCIETY  
REGION 2 SUMMER MEETING  
July 18 to July 20, 2008  
Host: The Wisconsin Daylily Society**

Headquarters: The Radisson Inn, 517 Grand Canyon Dr., Madison, Wisconsin 53719, Phone 1-800-333-3333

\$110 per adult—cut off date June 15, 2008

\$135 per adult after the cut off date

\$50 per youth

Make checks payable to the: Wisconsin Daylily Society (WDS)

Mail to: Gene Dewey, Registrar, 2125 Fox Avenue, Madison, WI 53711

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<http://www.wisdaylilysoc.org>

The Radisson Hotel—Madison

Phone: 608-833-0100

Toll free: 1-800-333-3333

<http://www.radisson.com/madisonwi>

Ask for the Region 2 daylily meeting group—rate: \$82.00 per night (single or double).



An important notice follows for those contemplating attending the Region 2 Summer Meeting in Madison.

**REGION 2 MEETING JULY 18-20  
BARGAIN PLANTS AVAILABLE**

Hello out there! This is an early welcome to all Region 2 members contemplating attending Madison's Mad City Affair this summer. A few words about our bargain plant table might add incentive to some still wavering about attendance. Region 2 owes the concept of the bargain plant sale to two long-time AHS members, Caroline and Jerry Benser, who immigrated to Wisconsin from Alabama with their full garden of daylilies and the idea for a bargain plant table, which was first used at Madison's 1996 Region 2 meeting.

Our bargain sale plants have celebrated histories of their own. More than 60 are award winners. Most plants were acquired two years ago and tended by committee members to insure winter hardiness. We know these daylilies are sturdy: They survived burial under more than 80 inches of snow during Wisconsin's winter season so they're probably going to THRIVE in your own gardens!

Other activities and scheduling often severely limit boutique and bargain plant browsing. This year the bargain plant tables and the boutique will be "sale ready" at 9:00am on Friday, July 18, remaining open until dinner begins in the evening. Check out both of them before your pre-prandial nap. Sales re-open when buses return to the hotel on Saturday. The plants will be individually wrapped and labeled. You'll be able to select cultivars using colored pictures depicting all flowers. All plants are selling for \$5.00 per double fan.

Many of our bargain plants are off-springs of Region 2 hybridizers. If you've chatted with Bill Powell, Leo Sharp, Dottie Warrell, Curt Hanson, Jamie Gossard or Don Jerabek, etc. at previous meetings, now is the time to buy some of their beautiful earlier hybrids and connect their blooms with personae.

Only persons attending Mad City Affair may buy these plants. Because quantities of many of them are limited, you may wish to order them in advance. Beginning about mid-May, *Bargain Plants Pre-Meeting Order Forms* will be sent to all registrants. Also about that time a list of the plants on sale, including descriptions, will be available at [www.wisdaylilysoc.org](http://www.wisdaylilysoc.org), along with a registration form and other meeting information. No access to the web? Call June Johnson at 608-273-9875 to receive a registration form and a complete bargain plant list.

Pre-meeting orders will be accepted until 6:00 pm on July 11. They will be packaged and ready for pickup on Friday, July 18. Checks and cash payments accepted.

Hope to see you in Madison!

Ruth Horrall and June Johnson  
Co-Chairs, Bargain Plants

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### **OPEN GARDEN TIPS**

I don't know if there is anything the club does, that is as fun as the open gardens. Isn't it just a riot to get together with your friends in a beautiful setting and enjoy the sunshine? I have a few quick tips below to make sure this is fun for all of us.

**Be thoughtful**

Take extreme care to prevent damage to daylilies-leave purses, bags, unnecessary camera equipment on your chair or locked in your car.

Always ask permission before stepping into a flower bed for any reason.

Do not disturb pollen or any spent blooms. The owner may have a hybridizing program.

Don't criticize.

Be gracious and thank the host.

**Remember to bring**

Directions from the newsletter or your own map.

Sunscreen —Be sure to put some extra on the back of your legs and neck, since these will be most exposed as you bend to look at the daylilies.

Hat—There is little shade in a daylily garden, so this will help to block a little of the sun.

Camera—Remember to have fresh batteries to run it also!

Note pad

Light colored clothing will keep you cooler, just be aware the daylily pollen and wet petals can stain.