



The GVDS Gazette

A Quarterly Publication of the Grand Valley Daylily Society
July-September 2019

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JULY 20

Annual Daylily Show
Frederik Meijer Gardens

AUGUST 3

Bus Trip
Along The Fence Daylilies
Alpine Flowerland departure
9:00am

SEPTEMBER 5

Fall Auction
Cascade Christian Church

SEPTEMBER 7

Rockford Farmers' Market

OCTOBER 3

Sandra Dunn
Late Blooming Daylilies
Frederik Meijer Gardens

7:00pm

NOVEMBER 7

Ginny Pearce
Frederik Meijer Gardens
7:00pm

DECEMBER 5

Christmas Party
Cascade Christian Church

ANNUAL DAYLILY SHOW



We will be in the Jandernoa and Burgess rooms for the Show on July 20, 2019. The current tentative team leaders are Peggy Pike, Eileen Schmuker and Steve and Ginger Smith. Steve and Ginger are organizing the Daylily Artistic Designs (arrangements) for the event. The show will be held with the Hosta Show in an adjoining room. The public will have the opportunity to take in both shows on Saturday.

Set up for the show will begin at 4:00pm Friday. You may begin bringing blooms in as early as 8:00am on the day of the show. Floral arrangements for the Artistic Design Division need to be in place by 10:00am.

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

As I write the column, I am enjoying the afternoon sunshine. I am preparing to plant 6 tomato plants that I scored for free at Ludema's greenhouse. I love clearance sales!

I am looking forward to the summer events that we have lined up for you. Please share your daylilies and volunteer time at the Frederik Meijer Garden Daylily show on July 20th.

Please send in your payments for the bus trip to Along the Fence on August 3.

Thank you for great bidding at the auction. Sharon and Ben did a wonderful job hosting the June meeting. It was a beautiful evening and a very in-

formative talk on natural plants and local history by Rebecca. Thank you for hosting. Loraine Facca

Welcome to our new member, .

Thank you to Diane Wickman and the team that volunteered to setup for the show on Friday night. Eileen and I will be the shows co-chair personal. We will get to the gardens early on Saturday to help you transport plants and set up displays with the labels. I will head the children's table. We are still in need of volunteers throughout the day to host the main table, greet visitors and oversee the children's table.

~~Peggy Pike

DAYLILY SHOW—ARTISTIC DESIGN DIVISION

DAYLILY ARRANGEMENTS

The annual daylily show on July 20, 2019 will have an Artistic Design Division. The daylily design theme for the 2019 year is the 'AMERICAN OLD WEST'. This division is a judged show with judges accredited from the Michigan Garden Clubs scoring the entered designs. Award ribbons will be given for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and Honorable Mention. Traveling trophies are given to "Best In Show," "Most Artistic," and "Best Novice." All designs must feature daylilies. Arrangements must in place for judging by 10:00am.

The 6 Classes for 'AMERICAN OLD WEST' are as follows:

Class 1 "Don't Fence Me In"

Designers own interpretation featuring daylilies.

Class 2 "Dual In The Sun"

Dual Designs(2) arranged in two similar containers.

Class 3 "Red River Valley"

Designers own interpretation featuring red color daylilies.

Class 4 "Prairie Storm"

Designers own interpretation featuring daylilies.

Class 5 "Chuck Wagon"

A functional Place Setting for 1 in a 24" X 24" space. Must include placemat, napkin, plate(s), beverage container, and daylily arrangement. Utensils (silverware) do not need to be included.

Class 6 "Gold Rush"

(Novice Only) - Has never won a Blue Ribbon in daylily design

A design using a yellow/gold container or yellow/gold daylilies.

Ginger Smith will answer questions concerning the Design Division. Contact her at (616)-878-1759 or smith3761@sbcglobal.net

ROCKFORD FARMERS' MARKET

This will be the third year in a row that the Grand Valley Daylily Society will have a booth at the Rockford Farmer's Market in September. It is a wonderful opportunity to share our beautiful daylilies with others. People come from all over the state specifically to visit our booth!

Plants left over from our Fall Auction are taken to Rockford, along with donations from members.

Donations with a picture are best sellers. If no picture is available, a label with a name is helpful, or at least a two- or three-word description. Example: tall red; pink ruffled edge; etc. Daylilies need to be bare root, wrapped in a plastic bag, with NO WATER IN THE BAG.

The Fall Auction is Thursday, September 5, and the date for the Rockford Sale this year is Saturday, September 7, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

We are looking forward to using the club's new pop-up cover and the new club banner!

GRAND VALLEY DAYLILY SOCIETY BUS TRIP

REGISTRATION FORM DUE BY JULY 15, 2019

The GVDS bus trip is scheduled for Saturday, August 3, 2019. We will be visiting Sandra Dunn's Along The Fence Daylilies near Dansville, MI and Nancy Cooper's garden, about 20 minutes from Along The Fence Daylilies. You will be able to make purchases at Along The Fence Daylilies to take home that same day. For complete information please visit the itinerary in the GVDS website. We hope you will join us for a wonderful daylily and garden exploration day.

The scheduled departure time from Flowerland, 3801 Alpine Ave., NW, Grand Rapids, MI is 9 a.m. with a second pickup time of 9:20 a.m. at the MDOT Park and Ride lot in the Cascade Meijer parking lot at 5531 28th St. SE, Grand Rapids, MI. For the Flowerland pickup, please park in the part of the lot closest to Alpine Ave. For the Cascade Mei-

jer pickup, the bus will be in the MDOT Park and Ride lot in the southeast corner of the Meijer lot which is near Kraft St. You can park in the Meijer or the MDOT lot. Enter the Meijer lot off 28th St., pass by the Meijer gas station and turn right to the parking lot corner furthest from the store and the highway. Approximate return time is 6-6:30 p.m.

Lunch is included in the registration cost. It will be served at Along The Fence Daylilies with desserts served at Nancy's garden.

To reserve your seat on the bus, this registration form must be returned by July 15 with payment of \$23 for GVDS members and \$33 for nonmembers to Bruce Wickmann, 4430 62nd St., Holland, MI 49423. Make checks payable to Grand Valley Daylily Society.

Name (Printed) _____

Address _____

Telephone _____

Email _____

Emergency contact _____

Circle preferred pickup location:

Alpine Flowerland

Cascade Meijer/Park and Ride lot

Lunch will be two sides with a meat or vegetarian choice and dessert. Circle one meat/vegetarian choice below:

Brat

Hamburger

Vegetarian

Circle member or nonmember payment.

\$23 GVDS member

\$33 non-member

COMING SOON – THE 2019 FALL DAYLILY AUCTION

We all know how fast summer flies by while we are immersed in our gardens. Suddenly September is around the corner and the GVDS fall auction time is here. As you work in your garden and enjoy your daylilies take note of plants that need dividing or plants that are candidates to move to a new home. Those are good candidates to bring to the auction. Another thing to do is to keep an eye open for either pre-1990 plants or interesting garden related items that could be in the Silent Auction.

The auction will be held on Thursday, Sept. 5 at the Cascade Christian Church, 2819 Thornapple River Drive SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49546. Bidding will start at 7 p.m. so if you can get your donations and Silent Auction items there before 6:30 p.m. there will be time to organize and display these items. Doors will open at 6 p.m.

The fall auction will be a donations only auction so the daylilies you contribute will be very important to its success. The daylilies should have a 1990 or newer introduction date. Older introductions are welcome for the Silent Auction and the Rockford farmer's market sale. If you have club plants that were too small to go in the spring auction this year, Sharon VanderWilp requests that you hold those until the Spring 2020 auction.

If you need yellow tags for the plants you are bringing to the auction, Sharon VanderWilp will have them at the FMG show and also on the bus trip on August 3.

Volunteers are needed for setup, for sorting and organizing donations, and to act as runners and spotters during the auction. Auction volunteers can contact Sharon Vanderwilp at slvanderwilp@sbcglobal.net or Claire Sheridan at modelt14@gmail.com if there are questions.

At the June meeting someone asked whether using the American Daylily Society Daylily Database photographs for the GVDS auction PowerPoint is legally allowed. The question was sent to ADS President Judie Branson and she forwarded it to ADS Legal Counsel Bret Clement. His response to her was as follows: "The registration form grants rights to use the photo to the American Hemerocallis Society or its Regions in the ordinary course of its educational and scientific activities. I would take the position that a PowerPoint is a form of publication. While one could quibble that the use in an auction is not in the ordinary course of its educational and scientific activities, in my view it suffices that the funds raised from the use of the photo in the auction will further those activities." This quote is used with permission from President Judie Branson. As always, if you take photos of your plants that will be in the auction those will show the plant as grown in our climate and are helpful to bidders.

Members should notify Ginny Pearce of daylily donations they wish to make to the fall auction so they are included in the PowerPoint. If you have daylily photos they should be sent to Ginny also. Ginny's telephone number is 616 954-0416 and her email is floragin@gmail.com. The deadline for inclusion in the PowerPoint is 5 pm Wednesday night, Sept 4th. Daylily donations made after that will be included in the Silent Auction. Ginny will prepare and then post updates to the auction list on the GVDS website as additional donations are made. For the most complete final list of auction plants, members should wait to print the list from the GVDS website for themselves until the day of the auction. Some copies of the final auction list will be available at the auction.

Hope to see you on September 5!



PLANT TAG NOTICE:

Earlier this year we announced that the price of metal plant tag was increasing and that the increase would have to be passed on to members. When we made our purchase of our new supply of tags in May we found that we were able to get a 10% discount on the quantity price if we were to pick them up instead of having them shipped. So now we can offer tags at the same price or in some cases at a discount. The price for 25 HD tags with 11.5" SS wires is \$13; 50 tags is \$25; 75 tags is \$38; and 100 tags is \$50. I will bring a small quantity of tags with me to meetings but would appreciate knowing in advance if you would like to have an order of tags brought to a meeting. Thank you, Sandy Olson, email – sandyflower@charter.net; phone – 616 696-9579.

GVDS METAL PLANT TAG PURCHASE FORM – 2019 Pricing

Standard 11.5" Stainless Steel Wire with Heavy Duty Tag

_____ 25 Tags with Wires @\$13.00	_____
_____ 50 Tags with Wires @\$25.00	_____
_____ 75 Tags with Wires @\$38.00	_____
_____ 100 Tags with Wires @\$50.00	_____
Total	=====

Long 21" Stainless Steel Wire with Heavy Duty Tag

_____ 25 Tags with Wires @\$23.00	_____
_____ 50 Tags with Wires @\$46.00	_____
_____ 75 Tags with Wires @\$69.00	_____
_____ 100 Tags with Wires @\$92.00	_____
Total	=====

Name _____ Cash _____, Check _____

GVDS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Our officers for 2019 have been elected and are:

Peggy Pike – President—616.318.7603—peggypike@yahoo.com

Claire Sheridan—Vice President—616.837.8474—modelt14@gmail.com

Bruce Wickmann – Treasurer—616-399-4907—bdwicks@gmail.com

Nancy Sniff – Secretary—616-455-2548—nsniff@gmail.com

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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