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Board Meeting 6:15 p.m.

Regular Meeting 7:00 p.m.

May 21 Program

Mandy McMahon from Hamilton, Michigan will tell us about her hybridizing program. Her bio. is on page 4 of the newsletter.

Refreshments: Names N-Z to bring refreshments for May meeting.

Plant Raffle & Door Prizes Meetings start at 7:00 p.m. so please come early.

Meeting Location:

Usually the third Monday of the month at the Farmdale Church of the Nazarene, 6501 Vandre Ave – Located off Smyrna Rd., about 0.1 miles before



May is finally here and I think the cold weather is finally behind us. The meteorologists really messed up with their forecast for the Kentucky Derby. They kept forecasting beautiful weather for the first Saturday in May, Boy were the wrong. It rained all day and they say we got more rain for the Derby since they had been keeping records. On the brighter side, the rain was a welcome in our garden. The ground was getting quite dry and I even started watering some of the beds.

The Bullitt County plant sale was a huge success. We sold out and made \$982.20 for the day. The weather was great. In previous years it rained on the sale making it very uncomfortable. I want to thank all those that worked: Bill Gdaniec, Marie Seaman, Michael Stephens, Junelle Edrington, Bev Crittenden, Margaret Fisher, Bill & Chris Schardein, Richard & Helen Porter and Claudia Wolff. I apologize if I left anyone out.

Our next plant sale will be at the Elizabethtown Plant Sale on Saturday May 19. We will again need help and If you plan to attend we need to set up at 6:30am. We need plants from member's gardens for the sale and you need to send Doris Stonska a list not later than May 15 so that she can get pictures of the cultivar. If you need any suggestions on what types or colors, some

people are interested in doubles, purples and whites. You can ask Doris because she keeps records from previous sales. Mary Schenkenfelder, a former DSL member has offered to give us daylilies from her garden to be used for our sales. Richard & Helen Porter plans to get a list of plants that we can dig from her garden.

You don't want to miss our next meeting on May 21. Mandy McMahon from Hamilton, Michigan will be our guest speaker. Mandy is a hybridizer and will do a program on her hybridizing efforts. She said that

she will bring some of her introductions to be auctioned off. Please read her Bio on page 4 of this newsletter.

Respectfully,

Don Wolff

BOARD MEETING

April 19, 2018

Called to order at 6:15 by President Don Wolff. Those in attendance were Don and Claudia Wolff, Ron Byerley, Bev Crittenden, Bill Gdaniec and Junelle Edrington.

OLD BUSINESS:

We discussed the Bullitt County Master Gardeners sale on April 28 at the Bullitt County Extension Services. We are to gather at the site at 6:30 that morning for set up and etc.

If you are donating plants for sale that day, be sure to get them to Doris so she can do her thing. This sale starts at 8:00 a.m.

Hardin County Master Gardner's sale will be May 19, in Elizabethtown. Preparations for the sale start again at 6:30, with the sale stating at 8:00 a.m. Bev is concerned about the canopies blowing away. Things to weight them down is appreciated.

DAY LILY SHOW: We will again go to the Mid-City Mall for this event on June 23, 2018

MAY SPEAKER:

Mandy McMahan will travel from Hamilton, Michigan to be our guest speaker for May. She is the representative from the Silver Creek Daylilies in Hamilton, Michigan.

Bill G. brought up an idea for some fund raiser for our club. He proposed that he would donate 10 (ten) of his registered daylilies in pots for the Bullitt Co, Elizabeth town and Mid-City Mall sales. All ten (10) plants will be given away at the Mid-City Sale on June 23. Chances are going to be \$5.00 each. They are all 2015 intro plants.

GENERAL MEETING

April 19, 2018

Called to order at 7:00 by President Don Wolff.

As usual we discussed the treasurer's report which was approved by Claudia Wolff and Second by Margaret Fisher.

We discussed the idea of again giving away a free membership at the Bullitt Co, E-town and Mid City Mall sales. It was approved.

We also discussed Bill G.'s generous donation to the club. The raffle of ten (10) of his 2015 introductions at the Bullitt Co, E-town and Mid City Mall sales. These plants will be given away at the Mid City Mall sale and Show on June 23. There will be special tickets for this. Tickets are \$5.00 each at the sales.

NEW BUSINESS:

Anyone who knows someone who would make a good speaker for our meetings should contact Claudia Wolff. She would be most appreciative. She needs someone for July and August.

Our speaker this time was Lorilee George, County Extension Agent for Horticulture, Bullitt Co Extension Service. Her topic was Landscaping for Birds. She passed out a brochure with 10 ways to Landscape for Songbirds. It was very informative. I am definitely building a Brush Pile, raking leaves under shrubs, keeping my nest boxes clean and my feeders clean.

Break for refreshments.

Raffle plants
Catherine Choice--Patty Byerley
Louisville Ghost Orchid--Don Wolff

Adjourned 8:20

Respectfully Submitted by Junelle Edrington Recording Secretary

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Hardin County Master Gardener Plant Fair – May 19

Region 10 Summer Meeting & Garden Tours – June 1-2 in Chattanooga, TN

2018 AHS National Convention – June 6-9 in Myrtle Beach, SC

DSL Show and Sale – June 23 at the Mid-City Mall.

Mandy McMahon Bio.

Silver Creek Daylilies is located in Hamilton, Michigan just 20 minutes from the beautiful beaches of Lake Michigan. I have been hybridizing daylilies for 18 years and I'm loving every part of it! Each January I start about 2,000-3,000 seeds with the hopes of finding just the perfect seedling with that special "something" to introduce! I concentrate on bagel form daylilies with lots of ruffles and "extra" stuff. I just can't get enough of watermarks - they are my favorite! The last couple of years have been exciting as in 2016 my seedling won the Englerth Award for Region 2 and in 2017 West Michigan hosted the Summer meeting and our gardens were on tour for that! Lots to look forward too!!

It's spring fever. That is what the name of it is. And when you've got it, you want — oh, you don't quite know what it is you do want, but it just fairly makes your heart ache, you want it so! ~Mark Twain, Tom Sawyer, Detective



AH! MAY IN THE GARDEN!

This is a great month in our Zone 6 gardens. Iris come into full bloom and the Louisville Area Iris Society sponsors its annual Show - May 12th this year - at St. Mark's Episcopal Church on Frankfort Avenue in Crescent Hill. Some irises will be for sale, but the real highlight of that Show is the many artistic "themed" floral arrangements. Those exhibits alone are worth seeing.

Our daylilies are rapidly growing, pushing up scapes. The early ones will bloom at the end of May, peaking next month of course. Many other flowers begin to bloom toward the middle and end of the month, depending on how many warm or cool days we have. These include peonies, daisies, calla lilies, poppies, dahlias, and hostas, to name a few.

May is also characterized by planting and dividing daylilies, and putting out tomatoes and other vegetables. The plant sale at Bullitt County is over, but the one coming up on May 19th at Elizabethtown is a great place to purchase vegetables and other flowers for our gardens. These sales have been a lot of fun for DSL members, and a time for fellowship. Try to include these sales in your schedule. We will also sell daylilies in conjunction with our glorious Flower Show on June 23rd.

I forgot, or did I, this is also the month that I weed, weed, weed to remove Winter stuff that has appeared like magic. I finish on Memorial Day weekend with this chore! Lorilee George who lectured on Kentucky weeds has helped me identify some of these pesky items like mouse-eared chickweed, etc. I do not spray my yard, so I learned I have many of the ones she talked to DSL about. Yellow Rocket!! Thanks Lori!

Happy gardening! Richard Porter

FLOWER SHOW REPORT: (Dig at Mary's)

DSL's "Application" for an approved American Daylily Society official show has been received by the National Society. When our Show Schedule is revised and updated by Bill Gdaniec, that will be sent this month to complete the application process.

(The National has requested we start saying "Daylily" Society instead of "Hemerocallis" Society to help better educate the public).

Our liability insurance coverage binder came in from the National, and has been forwarded to the Mid-City Mall so our show has accident coverage for the public. All malls require this coverage. DSL members are not covered. So, BE CAREFUL!!!

We have ordered major award ribbons just like in past years. Also ordered is the C.D. containing the latest official registration list to be used by our classification chairs, Doris Stonska and Michael Stephens.

DSL has two flower sales in the offing: May 19th at Elizabethtown and June 23rd at our Mid-City Mall Flower Show.

Please see what daylilies you wish to donate to these sales. Let Doris Stonska, Sales Chair, know enough in advance, so she can have colored pictures available to let prospective buyers know what colors and sizes they may buy.

Mary Schenkenfelder, a long time member of DSL, has generously offered to donate her daylilies to these next two sales. Those with names will probably be dug and sold at Elizabethtown on May 19th. Those where names are missing will probably be identified in June while in bloom and then dug for the Mid-City Mall Sale. We will probably want to dig at Mary's home on Friday, May 18th, the day before the E-town Sale. She is in the Highlands area at 2910 Falmouth Drive.

If you can help dig this month or next, please call me at: 584-7284 or 454-0060 and leave a message if necessary, or call Don Wolff: 363-3349, Show Co-Chair

by Richard Porter, Show Chair.

Program suggestions

In order to have fun and educational programs for future meetings we all need to think about what we want to have at our meetings. Colletively we should be able to come up with some good ideas. Please let Claudia f know what you want to hear about in future meetings.



A mother is a person who seeing there are only four pieces of pie for five people, promptly announces she never did care for pie. ~Tenneva Jordan







Ready to sell at the Bullitt County Plant Sale

Almost sold out and a tired crew

Raffle Plants



RavenCroft Happy Go Lucky (Carlson-A., 2013)

height 39 in., bloom 6 in., season MLa, Dormant, Diploid, Unusual Form Crispate-Cascade, Rich fuchsia pink over a bright yellow throat that extends that yellow coloring to the midribs, accented with gentle ruffles at the edge of both sepal and petals, colorfast. $((Augusto\ Bianco \times sdlg) \times (Open\ Hearth \times Pink\ Stripes))$



Pleated Petticoats (Douglas-C., 2014)

height 27 in., bloom 6 in., season EM, Rebloom, Dormant, Tetraploid, Fragrant, 16 buds, 3 branches, Creamy yellow with pink blush and yellow ruffled edge. (American Freedom \times Wonder of it All)