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Board Meeting 6:15 p.m.

Regular Meeting 7:00 p.m.

February 18 Program

Brenda Macy will do a PowerPoint presentation on the 2018 National Convention tour gardens.

Refreshments: Names A-M to bring refreshments for February 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 Vandred Ave – Located off Smyrna Rd., about 0.1 miles before Outer Loop.



President's Message

Well it is finally February. We will have our first meeting of the year on February 18.

Brenda Macy will do a PowerPoint presentation on the 2018 AHS National Convention tour gardens. I don't know about you but I am ready to see some pictures of our favorite flower, the daylily. Brenda does an excellent job capturing the beauty of daylilies in the garden.

We will have a booth at the Home, Garden & Remodeling Show, March 1-3. We will have a signup sheet at the meeting. There will be 3 hour slots that you can choose from to work. Passes for admission will be distributed at the meeting. We will again reimburse for parking expense. Please consider working at the booth as this is a good opportunity to talk to other people that love daylilies and we may introduce others to the perfect perennial. This is also an opportunity to get new members and provide the dates of our sales and show.

A number of DSL members attended to 29th annual Region 10 Mid-Winter Symposium this past weekend. There were lots of programs from various hybridizers,

plenty of good food and plenty of daylily lovers to talk to and share stories about the thing we all love, the daylily. There were auctions both Friday and Saturday night of plants donated by many hybridizers that we were able to bid on and those of us that were the high bidder will have something to look forward to receiving and planting this Spring.

Respectfully,

Don Wolff



DSL booth at the Louisville Home & Garden Show, March 1-3

Bullitt County Master Gardener Plant Sale - April 27

Hardin County Master Gardener Plant Fair – May 18

DSL Show and Sale – Saturday, June 22

AHS Region 10 Summer Meeting in Kingsport, Tn. – June 28, 29

AHS National Convention in Madison, Wisconsin – July 10-13

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February and Daylilies by Richard Porter

February is finally here! What typically happens in our Louisville area and Southern Indiana gardens? The day I am penning this (February 3rd) is in the 70's temperature-wise. I have often noticed this is a "transition" month between Winter and Spring. This personal observation is just that. About half the month the weather is mild for wintertime and half is very cold. You never know if the first half of the month will be the cold part or the milder part.

Reviewing the garden diaries I maintain, the temperature ranges bear this out. 2018: 14 days began below freezing. 4 days started with mid to high 30's; 6 days were in the 40's and 4 days in the 50's or 60's. In 2017: 10 days started below freezing and 4 were in the 30's above freezing. 14 days started in the 40's and 50's. Both years saw an identical range of temperatures from 16° to 84° In 2016, the range was 15° to 70°, this was a leap year. 15 days began below freezing; 8 days were in the 30's and 6 in the 40's.

February is marked by consistent growth and flowering of several perennials. The crocus, daffodils, Lenten rose, and perhaps hyacinths, all bloom this month. Peonies typically break dormancy.

One thing is sure this year.... not much snow cover. This is causing the daylilies to look very dormant.

The Mid-Winter Symposium was held in Bowling Green, Kentucky, on February 8,9 and 10. It was wonderful to see all our friends from region 10 and from other regions, also. It was rainy and nasty

outside, but everyone had a great time anyway tucked away in the hotel. A number of hybridizers presented slide shows of their beautiful registered daylilies, seedlings, and future introductions. There was a live auction of many of these plants, and a silent auction also. Also, there was a photography contest for some of our excellent photographers. All who attended MWS were invited, by secret ballot, to vote on their favorite pictures. Judges picked their favorites, too. The judges and the voting attendees chose the same pictures as the winners in each of the 3 categories! There was a "Wineception" on Friday afternoon, where many of us gathered to see old friends and meet new ones. Many of us donated bottles of wine and snack foods (cheese, crackers, cookies, candies, nuts, etc.) It was a very fun weekend. If you haven't attended a Mid-Winter Symposium, you are missing out on some great fun! Keep this February weekend in mind for next year, and plan to go!

Richard Porter

Raffle Plants



[Entwined in the Vine](#) (Emmerich, 2007)

height 32 in., bloom 8 in., season M, Rebloom, Evergreen, Tetraploid, Very Fragrant, 15 buds, 2 branches, Lavender pink with multicolored patterned lavender violet eye and edge trimmed ivory gold above yellow green throat. (*Destined to See* × *Julie Newmar*) Awards: **Stout 2018; AM 2014; HM 2011; RWM 2012; XLD 2012**



[Goose Creek Bill and Barbara](#) (Albers, 2009)

height 29 in.(74 cm), bloom 6.25 in.(16 cm), season M, Semi-Evergreen, Diploid, Purple with red band above chartreuse cream throat. (*Roseville Flash* × *Christmas Is*) Awards: HM 2018

Results of the 2018 Region 10 Popularity Poll

Cultivar

1. 'Bass Gibson'
2. 'Webster's Pink Wonder'
3. (tie) 'Double Blue Blood'
3. (tie) 'Mary's Gold'
4. (tie) 'Dorothy and Toto'
4. (tie) 'God Save the Queen'

*Cold and snowy February
Does seem slow and trying, very.
Still, a month made gay by Cupid
Never could be wholly stupid.*

~Louise Bennett Weaver and Helen Cowles LeCron, "February," A Thousand Ways to Please a Husband with Bettina's Best Recipes, 1917



Just some of the DSL members having a good time at the 2019 Mid-Winter Symposium.

DSL Membership Renewal Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

AHS Member: Yes _____ No _____

New _____ or Renewal _____ Membership?

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