

# (E)SCAPE NEWSLETTER



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**Board Meeting 6:15 p.m.****Regular Meeting 7:00 p.m.****March 18 Program**

Becca Huffman, is the Plant and Flower Superintendent at the Kentucky State Fair, Jefferson County Master Gardener, University of Kentucky Bullitt County Extension Employee and Horticultural Assistant.

Refreshments: Names N-Z to bring refreshments for March 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 Outer Loop.

**President's Message**

Can you believe it's March already? It sure has been a cold early March. The past few mornings the temperatures have been in the low teens. I think we all are looking for warmer days but they will certainly come soon.

Last month we had our first meeting of the year. Brenda Macy treated us with some beautiful pictures of daylilies from the tour gardens at the 2018 National Convention in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. I want to thank Brenda for treating us with her power point presentation.

This past weekend, March 1-3 several of our members work at the DSL booth at the Home, Garden & Remodeling Show. It was a great opportunity to talk to other people that grow and love daylilies. We passed out information about our show and sale on June 22 and the Mid-City Mall. A lot of people seemed to be excited about attending. We also had information about our sales in Bullitt County and Elizabethtown. I want to thank those that worked at the booth, Bill Gdaniec, Donna Ward, Norma Ward, Bill & Chris Schardein, Bev & Darrell Crittenden, Michael Stephens, Peggy Crick, Junelle Edrington, Larry Kirzinger and Margaret & Peter Fisher. We had a drawing for a free membership and I just want to welcome our new member, **Lee Dooley**.

**Don't forget to pay your dues for 2019.**

Respectfully,  
Don Wolff



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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## DSL MEETING OF BOARD MEMBERS, FEBRUARY 18, 2019

### ATTENDEES:

Don Wolff, President  
Ron Byerley, First Vice President  
Claudia Wolff, Second Vice President  
Bev Crittenden, Treasurer  
Helen Porter, Corresponding Secretary  
Margaret Fisher, Recording Secretary

Bill Gdaniec: Presentation to the Board

Don called the meeting to order with all Board Members present at 6:15 PM.

### ITEM NO. 1

Bill addressed the board on two main issues:

Security Issues at the Board Meeting site at Farmdale Church of the Nazarene.  
The new Pastor addressed safety concerns by replacing all windows and door locks with new keys and placed limited access to those keys. Bill has the key for the DSL meeting room at Farmdale. The new Pastor wanted to emphasize safety for all who park cars on the site by locking doors as there have been

break-ins, but notably only in cars that were unlocked. The Pastor is very pleased with DSL's presence at the Church.

Handouts needed for the Louisville Home, Garden, and Remodeling Show, and DSL future events and sales.

Bill asked the Board whether additional printing of handouts is needed for the upcoming Home, Garden and Remodeling show, sales events at other sites, as well as the flyers used to advertise DSL's show on June 22nd. Cost of printing is a concern. Current supply stands at 300 of the yellow tri-fold handouts and 250 of the white flyers, Bill will make any corrections to update the electronic file and forward to Patti who offered to print any additional flyers needed to help with the expense as she has the equipment to handle the print job. Bev has a shorter DSL membership form that can be used at the show.

It was decided to use discretion in handing out the flyers at all the events. Bill offered to make a placard for the list of future sales at other locations that can be placed on the table at the Home and Garden Show.

Bill reminded the members that this year's DSL Show on June 22nd will be the 25th Anniversary.

#### **ITEM NO. 2**

Helen passed around a Get-Well card for David Kirchhoff for members to sign.

#### **ITEM NO. 3**

Claudia is still needing volunteers to work at the booth at the Home, Garden and Remodeling Show. Saturday slots still need to be filled. DSL Booth number is 2137. Don gave out passes to those who have already signed up to work. He reminded the members to keep their parking receipt for reimbursement. The price of parking this year is \$10.

#### **ITEM NO. 4**

Don addressed the issue of membership requirements in order to participate in a paid holiday dinner at the end of the year. It was decided by the members that August 1st will be the cutoff date for full paid dues by new members. Anyone who joins after that date will pay 50 percent of the dues (\$5.00) which will be applied to next year's dues.

Bev reminded Don that we need to ask the general membership for suggestions for an alternative venue for the holiday dinner. Carrabba's Italian Grill is still a preferred option.

Don asked if there were any other items to discuss (negative), then called for a motion to adjourn the Board Meeting. Claudia motioned to adjourn. Helen seconded the motion. The Board Meeting was adjourned at 6:35PM.

### **GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING NOTES**

Don called the general membership meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

#### **ITEM NO. 1**

Don announced the dates of the Louisville Home, Garden, and Remodeling Show March 1- 3. Volunteers are still needed for Saturday slots. See Claudia for the sign-up sheet.

Don will give out the passes tonight for those who have signed up already. Parking fees went up to \$10 and will be reimbursed. Please keep your receipt to present to Bev.

#### **ITEM NO. 2**

Don reflected on the Mid-Winter Symposium held Feb.8-10 in bowling green. Everyone who attended had a wonderful experience getting to see all the new developments of the presenting hybridizers and

meeting new people. Chris announced that there were 10 more participants this year than last year. Budget was still in the black after expenses. The next symposium will be at the same venue next year at the Holiday Inn University Plaza in Bowling Green. The registration will remain the same at \$125.00 which includes two breakfast vouchers and two dinners. Donna thanked everyone who worked at the symposium.

### **ITEM NO. 3**

DSL yearly membership dues are currently due. Bev would like everyone to fill out the membership form with their payment.

### **ITEM NO. 4**

Don opened the floor for discussion about making a donation to the Louisville Nature Center where the annual picnic is held. Claudia suggested a \$100 donation. Helen motioned to accept the amount and Janelle seconded the motion. Motion carried and approved.

Claudia asked the membership to consider making a donation to the Fish and Wildlife of KY. The donation is used to help sponsor camp for children. [No motion made at this time.]

### **ITEM NO. 5**

Don opened the floor for a motion to approve the treasury report dated through 02/08/19. Claudia made the motion to approve. Chris seconded the motion. Motion carried and approved.

### **ITEM NO. 6**

Don opened the floor for discussion about the end of year holiday dinner venue. He welcomed suggestions for restaurants. Carrabba's Italian Grill was still favored for its great service and excellent menu. Bev will follow up on availability for reservations. No motion was made to change the location. Don announced the deadline date of August 1st for full payment of dues to participate in the paid holiday dinner. [See Board Meeting notes under ITEM 4 for membership requirements for participating in the paid holiday dinner.]

### **ITEM NO. 7 Announcements:**

1. The Bullitt County Master Gardeners' 11th Annual Garden Art & Plant Sale is Saturday, April 27th. A sales list will be distributed.
2. Region 10 Summer Meeting in Kingsport, TN, June 28-29.
3. The Pastor of Firmdale wants all those using the site to be aware of security. Please lock your cars!
4. Patti announced the Daylily Society of Southern Indiana (DSSI) show on March 9th.
5. DSL speaker for the March 18th meeting will be Becca Huffman, Bullitt County Extension Service.

### **ITEM NO. 8 February Speaker: Brenda Macy**

Brenda gave a presentation, "Ocean Views and Daylilies Too", featuring a picture slide show of the 2018 AHS National Convention Tour Gardens. Members got to experience the many wonderful daylily gardens through Brenda's photography of many of her favorite daylilies and other incorporated plant design schemes with formal and fanciful sculptures.

### **ITEM NO. 9 Auction Plants provided by Doris:**

#### **Winners:**

'Entwined in the Vine' (Emmerich, 2007) The 2018 Stout Silver Medal Winner

Won by Summer

"Goose Creek Bill and Barbara" (Albers, 2009)

Won by Margaret

Don thanked everyone for coming to the meeting, including a guest, Loretta. Don asked for a motion from the floor to adjourn. Claudia motioned for the meeting to be adjourned. Bev seconded the motion. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Fisher

### **March! March! March!      by Richard Porter**

The month of St. Patrick's Day, Caesar's demise on the 15th (Et tu, Brute?), and the official start of Spring on the 20th is here!!      Hmmm.....

Does winter know it's time is about up? We received a dusting of snow on Sunday, March 3rd. Around these parts, Old Man Winter has a hard time "giving it up" to lovely Springtime, and becomes quite "blustery" at times, giving us some of our coldest weather at the end of the season. Today, even with the sun shining, he is being a big "blowhard", making everyone scurry for the indoors! 4° wind chill!

Even with some nighttime low temperatures around freezing or below, daytime highs are usually up into the 60's and low 70's as Spring tries to intrude on feisty Winter. At last Spring wins out and we begin to notice a few crocus blooms in the yard. The Daffodils are pushing up and growing, and soon spring bushes like forsythia will be showing their beautiful yellow colors all over town in people's yards and along the x-ways and highways. Another Spring bush, the Star Magnolia covers itself in lovely pure white blooms at this time of year. Hostas grow and unfurl their leaves, and are a welcome treat for the grazing deer which are prevalent in our part of town, and which do a lot of damage to our hosta and daylily gardens. Peonies are showing new growth now also, and a few daylilies.

Winter weeds, like wild violets, onions and dandelions are also growing and blooming. I'm glad we don't have to eat dandelions, although some people like their green leaves in salads. Good to know "just in case". Well, that's about all for now. See you at the meeting on March 18th!

### **Region 2 Winter Gathering, March 1-3      by Richard Porter**

If you did not have enough fun with our daylily friends at the Region 10 Mid-Winter Symposium last month in Bowling Green, Ky., you could have attended our neighboring Region 2's Winter Meeting (Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Wisconsin and Michigan) in Indianapolis, IN. on March 1, 2 & 3 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel - Airport. Doris Stonska, Ron and Patti Byerely, and Helen and Richard Porter from DSL and MaryAnn Duncan from the Bluegrass Club in Lexington, KY, were attendees from Region 10.

Beginning with a Hybridizer's Forum on Friday afternoon, moderated by Region 2 President, Sandy Holmes, a make-your-own sandwich buffet followed, and included tasty delicious bean soup. After the meal, a fairly recent speaker at DSL, Mandy McMahon, presented her program. Her presentation was followed by the first half of the "spirited" daylily auction. The evening wrapped up with a social hour at a hotel party room.

After breakfast on Saturday, program presenters included hybridizers Larry Grace, Dan Knudsen, Wililam Marchant and Tom Bruce. Other hybridizers in attendance were Bob Faulkner, Diana and Jamie Gossard, Mike Grossman, Bret Clement, Mike and Sandy Holmes, John Hric (this is not a type-o ... the "H" is silent, and the name is pronounced "Rick"), and Ginny Pearce. With the Saturday

presentations completed, a fabulous dinner followed. The buffet included: tender breast of chicken, tasty white fish and deli-style roast beef. Members of the Wisconsin daylily club then gave an invitation to the 2019 National Convention being held in Madison, Wisconsin this summer. They said they still have room for more attendees, so if you would like to attend this National Convention, contact the AHS. Next, came the "second half" of the daylily auction, which was just as "spirited" as the 1st half on Friday evening, with everyone having a great time bidding on and winning their favorite selections for their gardens. The silent auction also had some lucky winners of daylilies and other goodies, and the day ended again with another social hour.

After Sunday morning breakfast, Margot Reed gave us her Virginia hybridizing program, and included her husband's introductions. Ashley Adair followed with a weed-control lecture, which was great to hear now as weeds are beginning to grow due to Spring's warmer days.

Because snow was in the forecast for Indy and southern Indiana, some of us checked out and headed South on I-65. Helen and I drove through some blowing snow on the way, but it wasn't enough to cause problems. But, after we arrived at home, the snow really fell and we had a white yard in no time. We were very thankful to get home before that happened! 1.3" was the amount.

Attending these functions is lots of fun during the winter months before our focus needs to be on our gardens. And we gladly do look forward to that time which is coming any day now! Hoorah!!

## **Biography of Rebecca Huffman**

### **Superintendent of Plants & Flowers, KY State Fair**

Rebecca is an honest professional who strives to act in integrity, she is attentive to details. Her co-workers believe her to be enthusiastic about horticulture, helping people learn new skills, and they have appointed her the resident "eggSpert". Rebecca studies all things related to safe non-refrigerated egg storage and safe handling. Her interests lie especially in fowl having tufted heads or feet. Rebecca enjoys small animal husbandry and nursing sick animals back to health.

Mrs. Huffman's background in Information Technology was as a business analyst for the DOD and in Manufacturing across 30 years. She has a decade of educational support experience, and is a successful independent consultant. She is a continual learner who comes from generations of farmers. Rebecca married a farmer who is now a mechanical engineer, and together they grow & pressure can their own food as organically as possible.

She continues to add to her homesteading and small animal husbandry skills. Rebecca enjoys comparing folklore traditional practices with current scientific based information, and utilizing what yields the desired results. She enjoys donating excess produce to local church distributions.

Rebecca's focus is to discover how younger generations are gardening. What are their goals? Tradition has value, but discovering the dreams & desires of our youth is fertile soil where innovation can present itself. Mentorship of people and the stewardship of our eco system is important to her and why she is a Bernheim Arboretum volunteer.

As an extension master gardener Rebecca desires to meet more youth so she can discover where their interest lie, we welcome youth to volunteer here in P&F.

Rebecca Huffman

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## Upcoming Event for 2020

Yes, I know it is early, but did you hear about all the fun everyone had at this year's Mid-Winter Symposium in Bowling Green, KY? Well, let me tell you, they all loved the hotel and its' rooms, the presentations, the camaraderie and the food! On Friday night we had a Soup, Salad and Baked Potato Buffet. Saturday night we had a Taste of Kentucky Dinner Buffet. Everyone was stuffed and there was plenty of food left at the end of the dinner. And both mornings you had your choice of an omelet station or a breakfast buffet. I don't think anyone went out hungry! Our Wineception had so much food items and wines brought in that we had to get a second table to hold it all. Then we had the speakers on a wide range of topics to help the daylily person enjoy listening and seeing all the pictures that were presented. There were intros and future daylilies shown to wet anyone's appetite. It was a great time to break the doldrums of the winter blues. Of course we had great auctions on both Friday and Saturday nights with Lucas Holman and Nikki Schmith being the ever entertaining auctioneers that we have come to love! We had seventy-eight attendees from twelve different states including Wisconsin!

Now, guess what? On Saturday night, we asked the attendees if they would like to come back to this location for next year. It was overwhelmingly voted to return. So now all you have to do is mark your calendars for February 7-9, 2020 to come to the 2020 Mid-Winter Symposium. It will be at the University Plaza Holiday Inn Hotel, 1021 Wilkinson Trace, Bowling Green, KY. We have had several people already tell us that they plan to attend, so watch out and get your reservations early for the hotel and registrations to me, as the Registrar again for 2020, as soon as you get a copy of the Schedule and Registration forms. We anticipate a larger and very lively crowd next year. SOOOOO, Come One, Come All and have a Ball! We hope to have the information in the Summer Daylily Appeal and maybe at the Summer Meeting in Kingsport, TN. See you there!

Have I wetted your appetite??

See you there,

Chris Schardein

2020 MWS Registrar



**The DSL booth at the Home, Garden & Remodeling Show**

*[W]hat a severe yet master artist old Winter is.... No longer the canvas and the pigments, but the marble and the chisel. ~John Burroughs, "The Snow-Walkers," 1866*



## Raffle Plants



Paint It Black (Benz-J., 2004) height 34 in., bloom 6 in., season M, Rebloom, Dormant, Tetraploid, Fragrant, 35 buds, 4 branches, Black purple self above lime green throat. (Duke of Burgundy × Tet. Grand Masterpiece)



Screamcicle (Cochenour, 2003) height 35 in., bloom 8 in., season EM, Rebloom, Dormant, Tetraploid, 28 buds, 5 branches, Unusual Form Crispate, Orange with red orange eye above orange throat. (Primal Scream × Outrageous) Awards: AM 2014, HM 2009

## DSL Membership Renewal Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

AHS Member: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

New \_\_\_\_\_ or Renewal \_\_\_\_\_ Membership?

Dues: Single \$10 Family \$15 Youth \$7

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