NEDS News

New England Daylily Society

American Hemerocallis Society, Region 4

January 2013

NEDS Meeting Agenda: January 12

- 9:00 Set- up for hospitality (volunteers needed to help)
- 9:00 Board meeting

9:30 Social time (Food donations from members, last names M-Z) Please label any baked goods containing nuts for those who have nut allergies.

10:00 NEDS Hybridizers' Presentations

- 12:00 Lunch Break
- 1:00 NEDS Hybridizers Presentations continue
- 3:30 Clean- up (volunteers needed to help)

Don't Miss these NEDS meetings!

February 9 NEDS Members' Photo Contest Daylily BINGO

March 9 Guest Speaker: *Tom Polston* of Pleasant Valley Gardens, Dayton, OH

April 13 Guest Speaker: *Elizabeth Shooter* of Marietta Gardens, Marietta, NC

All meetings held at Tower Hill Botanic Garden 11 French Drive, Boylston, Mass See <u>http://www.towerhillbg.org</u> for directions

Please contact the editor to receive the NEDS News Bulletin by email. There is a \$5.00/year fee each year for members receiving it by mail to help defray the cost of printing and postage.

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NEDS President's Message

Happy New Year! In 2013 I look forward to learning, growing (by experience vs. girth), and serving as NEDS President. Luckily, I have a great and supportive team to work with and learn from, including two fine past presidents. Since you will be hearing a lot from me over the next two years, I prefer to use my first President's Message as an opportunity to introduce you to your officers and board members. **NEDS Officers 2013-2015**

Adele Keohan-President

I am a teacher, church singer-cantor, Massachusetts Master Gardener and daylily enthusiast. I joined the AHS and NEDS in 2006 and became an AHS Garden Judge in 2008. I am the new editor of the Region 4 Newsletter, *Daylilies in the Great Northeast*. I grow several hundred daylilies and other hardy perennials in my backyard garden. I enjoy hybridizing with daylilies and am working primarily with species daylilies and hybrid diploids.

Lisa Bourret-Vice President

I own a daylily nursery, Rockhaven Daylilies, located in West Newfield, Maine. We grow over 1,900 cultivars. I love to garden and grow peonies, poppies, hosta, phlox, echinacea, etc. This year I'm going to grow my annuals from seed. In my spare time, I love to read.

Tom Riccio-Treasurer

Being of Italian descent, I have always had a green thumb involving plants and vegetables. I got hooked on daylilies in the past two to three years and am partial to the "reds". A little over a year ago I joined NEDS together with my fiancée, Lisa Lipomi and decided to use my accounting background to get more involved with the daylily society by becoming treasurer. Hopefully I can do as good a job as Denise has done.

Secretary-open [We're still seeking a NEDS secretary! Please see page 9 for a description of this role.]

Dorothy Campbell-[interim secretary], retired computer geek, spent most of her life gardening in Acton. MA and acquired over 500 daylilies in the last 15 years. She has recently moved to Fairfield, Maine taking only 200 of her plants. Branching out into animals and now has "old McCampbell had a farm!".

The NEDS Board

KimWalters- Past President

Kim is owned by 4 cats (at present) who reluctantly allow her to care for her 800+ daylilies. She is an avid Sci-Fi fan and cross stitcher, and has been known to get daylilies just because of their names.

Paul Bourret makes plastic for a living. He is also an AHS Garden Judge Instructor and President of the Southern Maine Daylily and Hosta Society. He lives in West Newfield, ME where he has the role of "Tractor" at Rockhaven Daylilies.[Paul is also a past president of NEDS]

Mike Maher is a recently retired Network Operations Manager of a Fortune 500 utility company. Mike and his wife Julie (also a NEDS member) reside in Hudson NH. Their garden, HEMs and HAWSta, presents a modest display of Daylilies, Hosta, and a number of other perennials. Mike is a backyard daylily hybridizer with a primary interest in unusual forms. He has also been selling daylily seeds on the Daylily Auction for a number of years.

Susan Stowe I live in Topsfield, MA with my husband, Ken. We are retired. I was a professional educator teaching Physical Education at all three levels and coaching for 34 years. I have two married children and 4 grandchildren with number 5 on the way. I design and make quilts with a specialization in reproductions and lecture about antique quilts along with collecting and repairing them. I design sweaters, knit, crochet and do stenciling and painting. I find hybridizing daylilies fascinating with an interest in plant habit and heavy texture. I've been at it for nine years producing anywhere from 2000-4000 seeds a year and have established Hill Hollow Daylily Farm with about 7000 plants in the gardens. I hope to register some of the seedlings next year.

Paul Tarmasewicz (Paul T...) lives in Westminster, MA, is retired, and raises about 900 daylily cultivars in the shadow of Mount Wachusett. Present interests are the accumulation of daylilies by northern hybridizers. Other horticultural interests include raising strawberries and thornless blackberries, raspberries, rhodys and various other perennials, trying to have a full three seasons of bloom.

Secretary's Report

December 8th, 2012 NEDS Board Meeting

All board members were present. The following items were discussed at the board meeting but not at the regular meeting:

- Due to the loss of the previous sale location, a new location has been obtained for the May public sale. The address is First Parish Congregational Church, 1 Church Street, Wakefield, MA.
- 2. Discussed holding a regional meeting during peak season sometime in the next few years.
- Discussed the situation with the Elm Bank contract. Dorothy had called and talked to someone who knew nothing about the contract but would look into it. There has been no response from Elm Bank, so Dorothy will call again.

Programs

The morning program was presentations by Rich Howard and Claudia Conway. The afternoon program consisted of presentations by our own Carl Harmon and Mike Huben.

Business Meeting

The business meeting was presided over by the President, Kim Walters. There were 50 people present including two new members, Ada and Bill Godfrey. Welcome Ada and Bill.

- 1. Dan Pessoni said that he had been contacted to gather information on a leaf miner insect that has been seen on daylily plants. Anyone with experience or photos of damage from this insect should get that information to Dan.
- Last call was issued for those wanting to purchase the Landscaping With Daylilies book. Kim Walters took the orders.
- 3. The babysitting program was discussed.
- 4. The photo contest will be held at the February meeting. Photos should be submitted by the 19th of January, and no more than 3 photos per category. Photos can be emailed to <u>NEDSPHOTOCONTEST@GMAIL.COM</u> or given to Paul Bourret at the January meeting.
- 5. The slate of officers and board members to be elected to two year terms was presented to

the membership and voted on. The following members were elected: President – Adele Keohan Vice President – Lisa Bourret Treasurer – Tom Riccio Kim Walters took her board seat as Past President, and Paul Bourret took the empty board seat. A volunteer for secretary is still needed, must be a MA resident per corporation rules, so Dorothy Campbell must be replaced since she has moved to Maine.

 Door prize plant winners were: ALIEN STARDUST Mark Labbe CELEBRATING GOLD Terri Lefond RASPBERRIES FOR BREAKFAST Kate O'Connor

Respectfully submitted, Dorothy Campbell, Secretary

From the Program Chair Hybridizer Presentations in Jan: Show off your seedlings!

Dear NEDS Members,

As I mentioned at the October meeting, we want to use the January meeting for local hybridizer presentations and therefore I would like to ask that any member interested in doing a presentation in January to please send me an email so that I can reserve a spot for you. Since I am not sure as to how many of you might be interested, I would like for all presenters to keep their presentations to a max of 30 minutes. Once I get a handle on the number of members interested, I can always adjust the times if need be. In addition, if there are members who have an interest in doing a presentation but December is not a good time for them we can also use the mornings of our March and April meetings as well. Please remember the plan is to have guest speakers in March and April so we will be limited on time. Also, please note that with the photo contest and daylily bingo scheduled for February we will not be scheduling any hybridizer presentations.

Please email me at **agtec49@gmail.com** with your interest and I will set up a schedule. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me. Thanks,

George Viamari, Program Chair

2013 Annual NEDS Digital Photo Contest - Enter ASAP!

Deadline is January 19

The purpose of the contest is to improve the photographic abilities of the members and not to choose the best cultivar. Qualities to keep in mind when selecting entries and in judging are: Correct Exposure; Color Harmony; Sharpness of Focus; Absence of Distraction; Composition.

<u>The Contest will take place at the February</u> 2013 NEDS Meeting.

Sending photos via email...

Important-If you send your photos over the internet: Emails must have only one photo per email. Contest email address is

nedsphotocontest@gmail.com.

Please include your name, category and name of the photo in the subject line.

In the body of the email, please note the Category/name of entrant/variety name or seedling number along with each e-mail photo attachment. Example: Category 1 SPIDERMAN Paul Bourret.

Sending photos via USPostal Service...

[If you choose to send photos by disk or memory card through the mail, use the entry form opposite]

CONTEST CATEGORIES:

- 1. Single Flower: Named & Registered Variety
- 2. Landscapes and Garden Art: Flowering Daylilies Predominating
- 3. **Clump and Cluster:** Named & Registered Variety, View of Entire Plant or multiple blooms of the same flower.
- Seedling: Seedling, <u>not</u> Named or Introduced Variety, Single bloom, Multiple blooms or Clump.
- 5. Daylily People, Pets & Wildlife: Photos showing the people, pets and wildlife that we meet in our daylily lives. Photos must include daylilies.

ENTRIES:

You may enter up to 3 photos in each category. All entries <u>MUST</u> be received by January 19, 2013 to allow time to compile the presentations. Entries received after this date will not be admitted. Please include your phone number so that I may call you if I encounter any difficulty and your e-mail address so that I can notify you that your photos have been received and entered in the contest. Disk and other media will be returned at the January meeting.

Mail Entries to: Paul Bourret, 11 Keepaway Lane, West Newfield, ME 04095. Phone: 207-793-4521.

Please take note... LIMITS TO PHOTOGRAPHS:

The dimensional size of the photo should be no larger than 5 MB in JPEG format.

The photo should not be written on nor should the photo be framed.

The photo should not be modified using digital photographic software other than for cropping.

The same photograph cannot be entered in more than one category.

Maximum of 3 digital photos for each category.

Everything must be received no later than January 19, 2013 in order to allow for the photos to be compiled for the presentation.

If you prefer to send your photos on a disc, please copy and list your entries for each category below and send the completed form along with your disc to me at the address below.

YOUR NAME_____

Category 1: Single flower, registered.

Category 2: Landscapes and Garden Art featuring Daylilies.

Category 3: Clumps (Entire plant) or Clusters (2+ flowers), registered.

Category 4: Seedlings (Single flower, multiple flowers or clump), not registered

Category 5: People, Pets or Wildlife

\$25 prize will be awarded for best in each category.

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January Door Prize Plants



BIG HONKING BRAZEN HUSSY (Jones 2011) Height 41", Bloom 6", Early midseason bloom period. Evergreen, Tetraploid, 4 branches, 28 buds. Pollen fertile. Hot, bright orange-red above a yellow to green throat. (unknown × Long Stocking) Value: \$50

IT GLOWS (Murphy 2012) Height 36", Bloom 6.5", Midseason late bloom period. Dormant, Diploid, Spider. 1-2 branches. 20 buds. Early morning opener. Sunfast at 100. Bud builder! Pod and pollen fertile. Cherry-red spider with a crimson star above its yellow throat. (Eggplant Escpade x Chief Black Hand) Value: \$75

A TOUCH OF SHERRY (Mason 2011) Height 30", Bloom 5.5", Midseason late bloom period. Dormant, Tetraploid, Fragrant, 4 branches, 23 buds. Pod and pollen fertile. Ruffled pastel peach-melon with white midribs above a very green throat. ((Adjure × Sherry Lane Carr) × Moment to Treasure) Value: \$100

Pod, Pod...Spider?

These were the only daylily seeds that I did not harvest.

My little "friend" stayed until frost. Adele



From the Babysitting Chair

The Babysitting Plant Drawing will be held at the January Meeting!

If you are an active member of NEDS, defined as being an AHS member and having attended at least 3 NEDS meetings in 2012 you are eligible to enter for the drawing to be able to purchase a babysitting plant and the club will reimburse you up to \$100. You grow the plant for 3+ years and then return the entire plant for auction, held at the August NEDS auction. Before you make your purchase you need to get approval from the babysitting chairman to confirm no one else has already purchased the same plant and for a brief discussion on likely hardiness. You must also be prepared to make your purchase and provide your receipt to the NEDS Treasurer for reimbursement prior to 30 May 2013. If you are currently growing a babysitting plant you are not eligible for this drawing.

So please either email Carl Harmon at <u>harmonhill25@comcast.net</u> or complete the form below and either give it to me at the Dec or Jan meeting or mail to me at 49 Ledge Road, Hudson NH 03051. There will be up to 10 winners.

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ENTRY FOR BABYSITTING PLANT		
NAME		
ADDRESS		
PHONE	Email Address	
MAILED or EMAILED ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY JANUARY 12th.		
SEND TO:		

Carl Harmon, 49 Ledge Road, Hudson NH 03051 or email <u>harmonhill25@comcast.net</u> or call 603 880-6228.

2014 Regional Meeting Should NEDS Host?

NEDS has the great opportunity to host the 2014 American Hemerocallis Society Region 4 Summer Meeting! Our region consists of the New England states, New York, and Canadian provinces: New Brunswick, Newfoundland and Labrador, Nova Scotia, Ontario, Prince Edward Island and Quebec. The unspoken tradition for regional meetings is rotating the spotlight from state to state (or province) each year, giving attendees a chance to see different gardens and meet new people in our region. (The last regional meeting NEDS hosted was in 2008.)

At the NEDS Meeting on Saturday, January 12th, we will briefly discuss this opportunity at the business meeting. The NEDS elected officers and board supports hosting this event, but we need the support and participation of the membership to make it a success.

Hosting this meeting is a great honor, and it gives us a chance to be in the spotlight with our gardens, and our hospitality. It will require a good deal of work and a commitment from each member of NEDS to be a success.

We would need at least 3-4 gardens to be on the Saturday bus tour. The tour gardens are the "stars" of the weekend and are most often the reason that people come to the regional meeting. Other gardens are needed to be "open" on Friday and Sunday for attendees to visit on their own. Some other general information on the regional meeting that may be of interest to you:

- We would hope to host about 200 daylily friends.
- The meeting would start on a Friday night and end on Sunday morning.
- Activities at a regional meeting include garden tours via bus, open gardens, banquets, judging clinics, keynote speakers, live auction, raffles, and slide presentations.
- Money raised at the live auction is earmarked for the region, but any fundraising (plant sales, boutique, raffles, etc) done outside of the auction are for the host club.
- The Daylily Exhibition in 2014 would not be hosted by NEDS, in lieu of hosting this regional meeting.
- We could hold our summer plant sale at this regional meeting, which would increase our sales opportunities greatly!

If the membership agrees that NEDS should host the regional in 2014 we will move forward with that plan; otherwise, we will postpone our plan to host the regional meeting in 2014 in favor of a later date: 2015 or 2016.

If you have immediate thoughts to discuss, questions or concernsplease contact NEDS president Adele Keohan at your earliest convenience. She can be reached at 781-245-7551 or <u>akgabriel22@comcast.net</u> anytime.

Needed: NEDS Welcome Committee!



We need some outgoing NEDS members to serve as a Welcome/Hospitality Commitee that will look out for new members or visitors to NEDS, present them with a "new Members packet, which will be provided to you and make them feel welcome. In addition to welcoming new members and visitors to NEDS, the Welcome/Hospitality Committee will assist the Hospitality Chair as needed at the start and finish of meetings. Ideally, we will have 5-8 members who will take turns at every other meeting helping the Hospitality Chair. You need not attend every meeting to be part of this Welcome-Hospitality committee. If you are interested in being part of this very much needed Welcome-Hospitality Committee, please email me at akgabriel22@comcast.net or call 781-245-7551, or let me know at the January NEDS ---- Adele meeting.

Want to get more involved? The NEDS Board needs...*You!*

Secretary

The Secretary of the New England Daylily Society (NEDS) is elected for a two (2) year term by a majority vote of the NEDS membership. The Secretary **must be a resident of Massachusetts**, as required by the state of Massachusetts and NEDStax exempt status.

Duties and responsibilities of the NEDS Secretary:

• Records the minutes of all Executive Board meetings and general business meetings. These minutes are then distributed to the Executive Board members within a week following the meeting. These minutes shall include the following:

- Monthly meeting attendance plus names and locations of new members.
- Summary of morning and afternoon programs.
- Minutes of the general business meeting
- Winners of monthly door prize drawing

• Submits the minutes to the Newsletter Editor for publication.

- Contributes to the biannual Region 4 newsletter, providing NEDS calendar of events, meeting locations and other information of interest to Region 4-AHS members.
 - Submission deadline for Fall/Winter issue: October 1st
 - Submission deadline for Spring/Summer issue: February 15th
 - Provides a sign in attendance sheet and name labels for all meetings. The numbered attendance list is then used for the door prize drawing.

Multiple packages of 100 name badge labels (Avery # 05144) can be purchased at office supply stores and a NEDS expense sheet submitted to Treasurer for reimbursement,

- Conducts monthly door prize drawing and maintains a running list of winners.
 - At the conclusion of each meeting, the following duties need to be completed:
 - Any new member information is emailed to NEDS Membership Chair.

 Board minutes are finalized and emailed to all members of the Executive Board via the NEDS Board Yahoo Group List, ideally within the week following the meeting.

Minutes are emailed to the Bulletin Editor, when requested, for inclusion in the next newsletter.

- Maintains the NEDS Policy and Procedure Handbook, incorporating updates and revisions as needed. An electronic copy shall be kept on the Yahoo Groups server.
- Maintains a NEDS Master Contact List: Names/mailing address/telephone and email addresses of Executive Board members, Committee Chairpersons and Other Contacts.
- Maintains hard copies of all NEDS Bulletins, Executive Board and general business meetings, as well as correspondence and other information.
- Conducts the Executive Board meeting and General business meeting in the absence of the President and Vice-President.
- Schedules NEDS meeting dates at least one year in advance, keeping in mind the following calendar of events:
- <u>First</u> Saturday in October (to avoid long Columbus Day weekend and conflict with Tower Hill Botanical Garden's (THBG) Columbus Day activities)
- <u>Second</u> Saturday of the following months: November, December, January, February, March, April, May,
- July Daylily Exhibition needs to be scheduled on a Saturday or Sunday, which does not conflict with dates for any scheduled Regional or National (usually done by the exhibition chair).
- <u>Last Saturday in August</u> (if not Labor Day weekend) for the annual Public Daylily Sale
- No meetings are held in June or September.

These meeting dates need to be distributed to Executive Board members, Bulletin Editor and Program Chair for dissemination and planning purposes when scheduled with THBG personnel.

In the event the Secretary is unable to attend a meeting, he/she is responsible for making arrangements with another Executive Board member to assume key secretarial duties i.e. attendance listing, Executive Board and Business meeting minutes plus Door Prize drawing.

Daylily Events at Neighboring Clubs:

CDS- Connecticut Daylily Society

Saturday Jan. 26, 2013 Soup's On Meeting with Local Hybridizer Photo Show. Attendees are encouraged to bring a home-made soup, or side dish/dessert.

Meetings are held at the Avon Senior Center, Avon, CT.

Visit <u>http://www.ctdaylily.com/CDS.html</u> for details and directions to the meeting site.

PDS- Patriot Daylily Society

Saturday, January 5, 2013 12-3PM Mary Collier Fisher will show photos from the 2012 AHS National Convention in Columbus, Ohio; George Doorakian will chair a discussion on daylilies. Meetings are held in the Bedford Library Bedford, MA.

Visit http://patriotdaylilysociety.org/ for more information.

SMDHS- Southern Maine Daylily and Hosta Society

Meetings are held at Southern Maine Community College Horticulture building on Slocum Drive in South Portland, ME.

http://www.smdhs.info/events/

SMDS- Southern Massachusetts Daylily Society

February 2013 (date to be announced) 12:30pm – Speaker will be hybridizer **Mike Huben**. Mike is well known for his work with northern-bred rebloomers and early bloomers. You may view his 2012 introductions at <u>www.harmonhillfarm.com/mikehuben.htm</u> or read more about Mike on his blog <u>hubendaylilies.blogspot.com</u>. Meetings are held at the Wesley United Methodist Church, Wareham, MA. For more information, email SMDS President Pat Wessling at <u>patwessling@mac.com</u>.

Visit the AHS Region 4 Website for a wealth of information on Region 4:

Region 4 Officers and Clubs Daylily Sellers Hybridizers Display Gardens AHS National and Regional Awards and Honors Popularity Poll Garden Judges Exhibition Judges A sneak peak at the newest Region 4 Newsletter ...and more!

http://www.ahsregion4.org/

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A Happy New Year to all from NEDS!



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