

NEDS Bulletin

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Meeting Agenda for February 13, 2010

- 8:00** Set- up for hospitality (volunteers needed to help)
- 9:00** Board meeting
- 9:30** Social time (Food donations from members, last names A-L)
- 10:00** Morning program: Daylily Bingo
- 12:00** Lunch break
- 1:00** Business meeting, drawing for door prize plants
- 1:30** Afternoon program:
- 3:30** Clean- up (volunteers needed to help)

Upcoming meetings and activities:

- Mar. 13** Guest speakers: Willet and Douglas (Brown's Ferry Gardens)
- Apr. 10** Potluck luncheon / Guest speaker: Paul Owen
- May 8** Members plant sale and auction
- July 10** NEDS Exhibition (Set-up on July 9)
- July 14** Western Mass. Open Gardens Tour
- July 16-18** **Region 4 Regional Meeting & Garden Tour, Albany, NY**
- Aug. 28** Public Plant Sale and Auction

All meetings held at Tower Hill Botanic Garden
11 French Hill, Boylston, Mass

See <http://www.towerhillbg.org> for directions

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Notes from the President

Once again I am impressed with the level of hybridizing talent we have here. There was something for everyone; bagels, UF's, and rebloomers (oh my). I am more determined than ever to grow more plants by NEDS hybridizers.

Did everyone renew their AHS membership? We will be getting the list from our regional president Melodye Campbell shortly. If you forgot, get your check in the mail today. Don't make me chase you down...

One of the questions that came up a couple months ago was can you join NEDS without being an AHS member. The way the bylaws are currently written it could be taken either way. We adjusted the wording of the bylaws to remove any ambiguity. We will be voting at the business meeting.

I got my email confirmation earlier this month – I'm one of the first 100 to sign up for the National in Valdosta Georgia. This means I'm entered for 2 drawings, each drawing is for \$500 of daylilies. As we are driving, we can stop anywhere! After spending some time in Mecca, we will work our way north. Looking though the Eureka, there are a lot of sale gardens in Georgia... And even better, I discovered Herrington Gardens is just a little out of the way home (Blue Ridge parkway, not I-95). I can't wait to talk to him at the Patriot Daylily Society Meeting and find out his operating hours – OZ here I come (with a cupcake in hand)

I also just sent my registration in for the Can-Am Classic. I really enjoyed last year's speakers and I can't wait to hear Charmaine. She is doing cutting edge work on sculpted daylilies and I hope to see some more of her seedlings. As the trip is pretty long – let me know if you want to car pool. There are some good park and rides on the Mass Pike where we can meet.

I've been busy looking through catalogues; there are some really pretty flowers out there again this year. As I'm going to Mecca and the national this year, I won't be doing mail order. But I still like to get 8-10 Award of Merit winners. As a garden judge, I prefer to grow the plants I'm voting on, whenever possible. Luckily I (re)found the lily auction. I think daylilies are a little like cats – you can't have just 1. And you can't order just 1 – think of all you save on the shipping and handling if you order 3!

Speaking of cats, mine are too clever for their own good – or for the good of my pocket book. I have always given my cat's treats. It started with Pounce, and now there are many types out there. I would give

them some in the morning while reading the paper. Usually I remembered to return the treat bag to the top of the mantle where it was (usually) out of reach. Unfortunately (or fortunately if you are a cat) I left my laptop bag on the hearth. They used it as a ramp to get up to the mantle and knock the treat bag down. I'm not sure which one was able to tear it, but they all enjoyed the spoils and ate the entire bag. Sometimes I tried to hide the bag in the armchair – they got to that one even quicker. They were going through a bag a day! Luckily one of my reps (the company I work for uses manufactures representatives to sell our fuses to distributors) sent us in some Christmas chocolate. It was a "toolbox" filled with chocolate light bulbs, screwdrivers and light switches. After the holiday's I kept the box and it is the new home for the cat's treats. Earl has figured this out and it trying to chew it open. Unless (or maybe until) he figures out how to pull it open, the treat are safe. I'm not taking bets on how long that will last.

--Kim

2010 DAYLILY EUREKAS

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The remaining 2010 Daylily Eureka's are being held for: Susan Chapman, Rachel Flaksman, and Louise Taylor. There is also one extra copy if you want one. Please let me know if you still want a copy. jocelyn99s@verizon.net or 617-522-0979. If you wish to have your Eureka sent to you, the total price will be \$34.98 (includes priority flat rate postage). Please send a self-addressed mailing label (a 3" x 5" index card is fine), and a check made out to NEDS, Inc. to Jocelyn Spragg at 99 Whitcomb Avenue, Jamaica Plain, MA 02130.

Publicity

It was apparent at the August auction that NEDS did not reach as many members of the public as we like to. This year, there are several possible reasons for that, but one that the Board has decided to address is updating our list of publicity contacts. Some Board members have volunteered to scout out particular New England states, but we also need your help. In your area, what newspapers, magazines, garden bulletins, radio or TV stations, etc. provide information about garden-related activities, such as the NEDS exhibition and flower show? Any suggestions are welcome – as is any contact information, how far in advance notice must be provided, what form the notice should take, etc. Of

course, we're looking for free listings! If you could email me any information that seems useful, I have volunteered to compile an updated publicity database.

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--- Jocelyn Spragg and Pat Wessling

Secretary's Report, Jan. 9, 2010

Board Meeting

Attendance: Jocelyn Spragg, Kim Walters, Paul Broullet., Lisa Broullet, Paul Tarmasewicz, Pat Wessling

1. We discussed the eligibility for door prizes and whether or not guests should be eligible. It was felt that offering door prizes to non-AHS members may encourage them to become members, but that offering plants may make upset paid members. It was decided that if non-members numbers were pulled for a door prize, then they would receive a 1-year membership in AHS. The sign in sheet could be modified with a column next to the name asking "Current AHS Member?". Members could sign in and say "Yes" and guests could sign in and say "No". Lisa was charged to offer a rewrite to the Door Prize Chair section of the procedures and policies manual to reflect this change.

2. It was also decided that some of the older plants purchased for door prizes could be used in Daylily Bingo or other club fund raising activities. There are currently enough door prize plants in the pipeline to cover the door prize drawings and that we would like to keep newer plants for the door prizes.

3. It was discussed that it is time to come up with a nominating committee for the elections in December. Paul was charged with finding three members to work with him to come up with officers for the election. The names for the nominating committee will be presented at the February meeting for a vote by the membership.

Program

NEDS's members presented new daylilies that they have developed in their hybridizing program. Presentations were given by Lori Jones, Darlyn Wilkenson, Curt Turner, Mike Huben, Peggy Corbiel and Bob Sobek.

Business Meeting

The short business meeting was presided over by the President, Kim Walters to draw the door prize winners. There were 41 members present.

Door prize plant winners were:

VANILA STELLA
BEGIN WITH A BANG
ARIEL BENJAMIN

Pat Wessling
Linda Sobek
Eloise Benjamin

Many thanks to Paul Bourret for taking these notes in my absence.

--Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy Campbell, Secretary

Suggested Bylaw Change:

The board has approved and is submitting to the membership a bylaw change clarifying that all NEDS members must be members of AHS in good standing. The changes in *red italics* below will be added to the bylaws if the membership approves them at the February meeting.

"Members of AHS in good standing, by virtue of having paid dues to AHS, and residing in the states of Connecticut, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont are automatically members of NEDS. *All NEDS members must be AHS members in good standing.* NEDS shall not levy any membership dues."

--Dorothy Campbell, Bylaws Chair

From the Treasurer

I will be preparing the 2010 proposed budget to present to the Board and the membership at the March NEDS meeting. Please let me know if there are any line items that you would like to have considered. jocelyn99s@verizon.net

Program Notes

Happy February Everyone!

I am getting really tired of all of this cold weather! I hope this bulletin finds you all well and warm. The temperatures down in the teens really gets to me. I have about had it! From what I have heard the next week is going to give us some snow also! WELL isn't that SPECIAL!! BAHH HUMBUG! I actually enjoy the snow it is the bitter cold without the snow I do not like.

Well, down to business. We have a wonderful meeting planned for you on the 13th at the Tower Hill Botanic Gardens. We are once again hosting DAYLILY BINGO! There will be some wonderful prizes of plants for everyone to win. So bring your cash and get ready to have some fun!! It is always a good time! I am bringing some nice northern hardy plants, such as, CASCO BAY DELIGHT a great one

from VALENTE, a couple of Curt Hanson's cooler stuff! I will have a full list the morning of the meeting! Anyone is welcome to call me and give suggestions and if I have enough of a plant I will gladly donate it to the game! It will be GREAT fun! Come along and bring a friend !

I look forward to seeing you there! STAY WARM!

--Pat Wessling

Co-Program Chair

February Door Prize Plants:



WHIP CITY FANCY FREE (Jones, Lori 2009)
Evergreen, Tetraploid, Fragrant, Unusual Form:
Crispates and Twists. 36" scapes, 8.5" flower, Blooms
Early Midseason, 3 way branching, 14 bud count.
Medium Rose above a green throat. Value: \$80.



WHIP CITY SLINKY SLIDE (Jones, Lori 2009)
Dormant, Tetraploid, Unusual Form Crispates and
Twists with some pinching and curling. 35" scapes,
8.5" flower. Blooms Early Midseason, 3way
branching, 24 bud count. Golden yellow above a
green throat. Won the AHS Best Seedling Award at
Tower Hill in Massachusetts in 2007. Value: \$125.



RING THE BELLS OF HEAVEN (Carpenter, John
2006) Dormant, Tetraploid, Fragrant, 24" scapes,
5.75" flower, Blooms Early Midseason, Reblooms, 6
way branching, 45 bud count. Lavender bicolor with a
lighter lavender watermark and a yellow-green edge
above a green throat. Value: \$60.

May Sale and Auction

Greetings, all! The May Sales and Auction is a few short months away. Please start thinking about which plants you may wish to sell or auction for a 50/50 split. Half of the proceeds go to NEDS, and half is returned to you. Companion plants may also be sold. Please don't forget to think about how much table space you will need as well so everything can be organized as smoothly as possible. As a reminder, this is our members only sale. Thanks!"
--Rachel S. Flaksman, May Sale Chair

July 14, 2010 Garden Tour

Please keep this date open because there will be a NEDS Open Garden Tour in Western MA. Five (5) gardens will be available for you viewing pleasure and some are selling gardens for those who cannot resist buying that special cultivar. **The five gardens are, Mary Hull's fabulous AHS Display Garden, the wonderful selling garden of Nancy & Don Smith plus three hybridizers gardens, Richard Blanchard, Peggy Corbeil, and myself. July 14, 2010 will be a busy, fun filled day, with plenty of daylilies to enjoy. Do plan on making a day of it.**

More information will be in later issues and we are inviting all club members from the surrounding clubs to participate. This is going to be a fun filled day!

--Lori Jones

FROM THE BABYSITTING CHAIR

The Babysitting Plant Drawing will be held at the February 13, 2010 Meeting. If you are an active member of NEDS, defined as being an AHS member and having attended at least 3 NEDS meetings in 2009 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 Jocelyn Spragg for reimbursement prior to 30 May 2010. If you currently have a babysitting plant you are not eligible for this drawing. So please either email Carl Harmon at harmonhill25@comcast.net or complete the form below and either give it to me at the January or February meeting or mail to me at 49 Ledge Road Hudson NH 03051. There will be up to 10 winners.

ENTRY FOR BABYSITTING PLANT

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____ Email _____
Address _____

MAILED or EMAILED ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY FEBRUARY 12th. SEND TO: Carl Harmon 49 Ledge Road Hudson NH 03051 or email harmonhill25@comcast.net or call 603 880-6228

New England/R4 Daylily Sales Gardens Map

Last year I created a Google Map with many sales gardens, professional and amateur. It's at <http://tinyurl.com/NE-daylily> . I'm willing to expand it to all of Region IV, including NY and Canada. I'm not trying for completeness: too much work for me to find things. But if you or anybody else want a garden listed email me,

especially if there is a web site. I'll have everything listed before summer.

If you are already listed, you may want to include a link to my map, as it simplifies finding directions to, from, or between gardens.

Mike Huben (mike@huben.us)

Member Spotlight

From the editor: Many thanks to all NEDS folks who have graciously agreed to write something about themselves, both in past bulletins and for the future. If you would like to share a bit about yourself and your gardening/daylily interests, please contact me. Deb Carpenter

No one has submitted an article for the Feb bulletin. I am looking for people to share their story for March, April and beyond. Please let me know if you'd like to be included.

4 EVER DAYLILIES! 2011 REGION 4 PEAK BLOOM MEETING GUELPH, ONTARIO



2010 Region 4 Peak Bloom Meeting in Albany, NY and ODS will be sure to get them to the Stanley Saxton garden bed. So label your seedling with your name and number and ship your entries to:

Betty Fretz
6729 Leslie Lane
Moorefield, Ontario
Canada, N0G 2K0

For questions please email: Howard Hansford Co-Chair
R4/11 Peak Bloom Meeting hhansford@rogers.com

Calling All Region 4 Hybridizers!

Have your pollen-dabbing efforts resulted in at least one daylily you would consider a “keeper”?

Would you like to see your baby planted in a bed with seedlings by fellow hybridizers from all over the region so that you can compare its looks and performance?

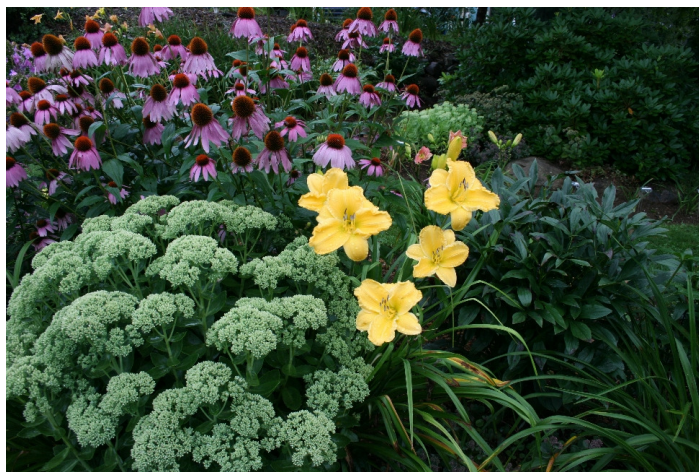
Would you like the chance to compete for the coveted Stanley Saxton Award for Hybridizing Excellence in 2011?

Well, now is your chance! Spring is coming and it will be the perfect time to submit your entries for the 2011 Stanley Saxton seedling bed. All Region 4 hybridizers are encouraged to submit a maximum of 3 unregistered seedlings with a maximum of 3-5 fans the year previous to the judging to allow the seedlings to settle in and grow. Seedlings from purchased seed are not eligible, nor are purchased seedlings. All seedlings will be grown under number with no hybridizer or name identified on the label. Plants will, after the meeting, be returned to the hybridizer, auctioned, or donated as the hybridizer wishes. The 2011 Region 4 Peak Bloom Meeting and Garden Tour, hosted by the Ontario Daylily Society (ODS), will be held from July 15-17, 2011. Members in attendance at this meeting will view the entries and vote on their favorite to win.

Let us show off your seedlings!

Betty Fretz has the bed prepared and is ready to plant your seedlings this spring when the snow melts! Bring your seedlings to the CAN-AM Daylily Classic in April 2010 or connect with your club members to ship your entries together (phytosanitary inspection certificate required if mailing from the USA). Another option is to bring your seedlings to the

Daylilies and Friends



Echinacea, Sedum 'Autumn Joy', and H. 'Jen Melon' with peony foliage in right background

Do you have some favorite Daylily/perennial combos?

I'd like to do an article for the bulletin and show pictures of daylilies and “companions” that work well together. Please send me your ideas and photos by March 1 and your pictures will be credited



Achillea, Phlox, Salvia, Caryopteris, etc. in daylily display bed

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