



# NEDS Bulletin

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## Meeting Agenda for May 8, 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 M-Z)
- 10:00 Morning program: NEDS Members plant sale
- 12:00 Lunch break
- 1:00 Business meeting
- 1:30 Afternoon program: NEDS Members plant auction
- 3:30 Clean- up (volunteers needed to help)

### Upcoming meetings and activities:

- July 10 NEDS Exhibition ( Set-up on July 9)
- July 14 Western Mass Open Garden Tour
- Aug. 28 Public Plant Sale and Auction
- Oct. 2 Guest Speaker : Brian Culver
- Nov. 13 Guest Speaker: Melanie Mason ; “Soup’s On”
- Dec.

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



*Charmaine Rich*

If you missed the last meeting you missed quite the show. We stated off with Charmaine and learned a lot about sculpted daylilies (it is still not too late to head up to the Can-Am Classic, where she is presenting). I'm amazed at the pictures she has of cross sections of daylily petals. You can really see what is going on with all the different forms. What can one say about Paul Owen? Energetic is the first word that comes to mind. Add in a lot of fun and you have a great presentation. If you ever have the opportunity to see him, take it! Once again the potluck was a great success. Thanks to all who brought dishes or paid \$10.



*Lisa Rodway with Paul Owen*

I'm looking forward to this meeting, the plant sale and auction. I always leave with more plants than expected. There are some good deals to be had and these are plants from our member's gardens so we know that can handle a New England Winter. The

sales tables will be open in the morning and the auction is in the afternoon. We will be auctioning off the old digital projector at the afternoons auction.

Don't forget about the upcoming NEDS events this summer. We have the exhibition on July 10<sup>th</sup>, the Western Mass Tour on July 14<sup>th</sup> and the Regional in Albany starts July 16<sup>th</sup>. Put them on your calendar now, they are too fun to miss!

I'm packing my bags to head out to Toronto to the Can-Am Classic. I'm driving so this is a "warm up" for the big trip in a couple of weeks. I have a GPS, and plenty of maps – anyone betting I'll still get lost (temporarily misplaced is how my hubby puts it). The National is next up and it is full. The list of open gardens is out, and there are some good ones on it. We'll stop at one or two on the trip up from Orlando, and hopefully add a couple on Sunday before we head home.

It's Christmas in April as my lily auction wins come in. And I just had to send in another order last week. I'm moving some of the big clumps up to next to the roadway, but will still run out of room. Time to expand some more beds.... Luckily we still have a lot of grass we can dig up. Less for the hubby to mow I tell him. I got the beds all awake, but all those pesky weeds keep coming back. I also have grass invading. Time to put more newspapers and mulch down, and I have to put in some edging. I think the catland move will have to wait until fall, the mountain of mulch is still a mountain. Maybe by the fall it will be down to a molehill. You spend all winter planning where thing will go and then they arrive, and your plan goes out the window. Luckily I keep a map and I even remember to update it after I moved things around – usually.

As I headed out to newspaper and mulch as well as plant some pansies, Rocket slipped out the door. He is such a baby. He thinks he wants to be in the "great out" but deep inside he is a scaredy cat. As long as he could see me he was fine and he had to torture me by walking up close to the roadway. He would start crying if he couldn't see me, but of course making sure he was far enough away that I couldn't grab him. He finally decided to hide under a bush for a little while. When I went in for lunch he cried and came up to the door. While thinking about coming in the open door – Cappuccino ran out. She is much smarter than any of the others so I knew I couldn't catch her. She will also come and meow at the back screen door

when she is ready to come in. Eventually, Rocket went into the garage and I was able to close the door and he came inside from there.

--Kim Walters

## **Membership list:**

We are getting together a membership list to be handed out to our members at the May meeting. There will be a separate sign up sheet at the April meeting. If you cannot attend and want your info included, email me ([ownedbycats@comcast.net](mailto:ownedbycats@comcast.net)). We want to include name and address

This is an opt-in only. If you do not sign up or send me your info, you will not be included, nor will you get a copy.

This will never be on the internet. It will be printed one time and handed out.

## **Secretary's Report April 10th, 2010**

### **NEDS Board Meeting**

Attendance: Kim Walters, Adele Keohan, Dorothy Campbell, Jocelyn Spragg, Mike Maher, Paul Bourret, Paul Tarmasewicz, and Pat Wessling.

1. The scheduling conflict at THBG for the second Saturday in March, 2011, has been resolved, and the second Saturday reserved for NEDS.
2. Publicity for the August Sale was discussed. It was decided to redo the handouts that are given to the various gardens and other facilities and to have them available at the May meeting, either in paper or online.

### **Program**

The morning program was a presentation of a study done by Charmaine Rich on the proposed classification of the various types of sculpting on daylily petals. The afternoon program was given by Paul Owen, owner of Slightly Different Nursery.

### **Business Meeting**

The business meeting was presided over by the President, Kim Walters. There were 59 members present. Two members, Craig Cote and Rex Beisel were in attendance for the first time. Welcome all.

1. Dan Pessoni discussed the exhibition to be held on July 10th, and encouraged everyone to bring scapes to enter.
2. The May member sale was discussed. Members were reminded that the material to be sold has to be dry and clean since we meet in a carpeted facility. Tables will be covered with plastic table cloths to protect them. People should remember to bring plastic bags. Sale will open at 9:45 AM.
3. Door prize plant winners were:  
FLAMING FLAMINGO Pat  
Boissonneault  
HEAVENLY ORANGE BLAZE  
Chuck Hubbell  
I KNOW WHO HOLDS TOMORROW  
Christine Surette  
---Respectfully submitted,  
Dorothy Campbell, Secretary

## **May Sale and Auction**

Last call for table space at the May Sale and Auction! Only a few tables are left, so please call or email me with your requirements. Plants for the auction should be priced according to Eureka; if there is no Eureka value, and it is a more modern cultivar please provide current value from the hybridizer in order to give the auctioneer a place to start. For example, 'Swan Maiden' (Mahieu-Burris 09) is not yet listed in Eureka, but a price is available through the retail nursery that introduces for him.

Speaking of auctioneers...we would love to grow the talent pool of auctioneers for our events! If anyone is interested in trying their hand at it please let me know as soon as possible so coordination may be made with Mike Huben.

Plant runners! Well, maybe walkers :) Looking for members to help pass out winning bids. Youth members who participate will receive a free plant for their efforts. Please let me know in advance if you want to participate; we need at least three!

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## From the Treasurer

### May Table Sale and Auction

Thanks in advance to everyone who contributes to this event. It is one of the two major annual fund-raisers for NEDS. Morning table sellers, please remember to give me 50% of your profits before the live auction begins.

### Publicity for the exhibition and August Auction

Some websites that list events and some garden writers have been contacted and we are in the process of identifying other publicity sources. Fliers advertising these events will be available at the May 8 auction. Please take some to give to visitors or customers to your garden. The flier will be posted on the NEDS website so that you can print it out yourself if you need additional copies.

## Daylily Happenings in Region 4: May 2010

[Only events open to all AHS members/the public are listed.]

Web Links to all AHS Region 4 Clubs may be found at [www.ahsregion4.org](http://www.ahsregion4.org).

**May 15- Connecticut Daylily Society (CDS) Daylily and Plant Sale** on Saturday, May 15 from 10 AM until 2 PM on the grounds of the Avon Senior Center in Avon, CT. In the event of extreme weather, the rain date is Sunday, May 16. Hundreds of member-grown hardy daylilies will be available in all colors, sizes, and forms, including doubles and spiders, early and late blooming varieties. Other perennial plant surprises from members' gardens will be offered as well, so arrive early for the best selections. The Avon Senior Center is located at the Sycamore Hills Recreation Center, 635 West Avon Road (Rt. 167) at the junction of Sycamore and Scoville Roads. The sale is conveniently located between Farmington Avenue (Rt. 4) and Rt. 44.

Further information and detailed directions can be found on the Society's website, [www.ctdayliy.com/CDS.html](http://www.ctdayliy.com/CDS.html) or for more information, call 860 243-3422 or 860 305-4933. Day of sale please call 860 558-4908.

### May 22- Southern Maine Daylily and Hosta Society (SMDHS)

Public Plant Sale will take place at Southern Maine Community College at the Horticultural Building. The sale will begin at 8:00 AM. Directions may be found on the SMDHS website at <http://smdhs.250free.com/displaygarden/directions.htm>.

May 24 – **Connecticut Daylily Society (CDS)** Club member Richard Howard will present a talk to the East Hartford

### Door Prizes

Note: There are no door prize plants drawn at the May meeting.

If you have won a Door Prize you'll need to pick it up at the May sale and auction. If you're unable to attend please make arrangements for someone else to pick it up for you. Also, we do not mail Door Prizes. If you do not pick up your plant it will automatically be put into the auction. We do not hold onto Door Prizes.

Lisa Bourret

Garden Club on "Daylilies 101". The presentation will be at 7:00 PM at the South End Senior Center at 70 Canterbury St. For info on the meeting itself contact Lori Macri, Program Committee Member at 860

---Submitted by Adele Keohan

## **NEDS WESTERN MA GARDEN TOUR**

**This summer on July 14, 2010, NEDS will be having a garden tour in Western MA. Members of all clubs and their guests are welcome to come and view some exceptional gardens containing splendid daylilies. Don't forget to bring along a folding chair for yourself and pack a lunch. We will be eating at the outstanding sales garden of Nancy and Don Smith. You're also in for a treat if you have not seen the breathtaking AHS Display Garden of Mary Hull. She also has a selling garden, North Orchard Gardens, 3 miles away from her AHS Display Garden. In this garden, Mary has an assortment of Hostas and over 2000 daylilies for sale. Included on this tour will be three hybridizer gardens, Richard Blanchard, Peggy Corbeil and Lori-Ann Jones. For those who do not have a GPS, please do a Map Quest from garden to garden so we don't lose anyone in our pursuit of happiness that day.**

**We will first start off at 9:00am by meeting at Richard Blanchard's garden. He is just a short distance off of I-90 getting off at exit 5.**

**Address: 206 Bostwick Lane, Chicopee, MA 01020**

**Phone: 413-519-1893**

**Direction: Take Exit 5 off of I-90/ MA Pike toward RT-33 / Chicopee.**

**Turn LEFT onto Memorial Dr. / MA-33.**

**Turn RIGHT onto Pendleton Ave.**

**Turn LEFT onto Bostwick Lane**

**206 Bostwick Lane is on the LEFT.**

**Richard has been hybridizing for many years and has created some exceptional seedlings for your viewing pleasure. Richard also has some of the best daylilies from several top hybridizers: Steve Moldovan and Pat Stamile, just to mention a couple.**

**The caravan will leave Richard's garden around 10:00am heading West on I-90 and getting off at Exit 4 to go to Knoll Cottage Daylilies, the garden of Lori-Ann Jones.**

**Address: 216 Belanger Road, Southamptn, MA 01073**

**Phone: 413-533-5622**

**This garden has become a working garden where Lori is hybridizing for Spiders, UFO and Big Honking daylilies. Orders can be given at Lori's garden, but because plantings are very tight together, no digging will be done until August. Arrangements can be made for shipment if necessary or pick up at Tower Hill in August. Seeing a picture of an 8" or 9" flower is one thing, seeing it in person is another. Indoor facilities will be available for your convenience.**

**At around 11:30am the caravan will be leaving Lori's garden and heading out to Mountain Meadow, Nancy and Don Smith's dazzling sales garden. We should be arriving by 12:15pm, just in time to eat lunch and hopefully find that daylily you have coveted.**

**Address: 112 Parker Road, Somers, CT 06071**

**Phone: 860-749-9550**

**Nancy and Don will be selling that day, so just give them a nudge and they will dig that daylily that you have selected. Outdoor facilities are available at this garden for your convenience.**

**Sometime around 1:30pm, we will be leaving Nancy and Don's garden and heading out to see the wonderful creations of Peggy Corbeil.**

**Address: 6 Tracy Drive, Wilbraham, MA 01095**

**Phone: 413-596-8353**

**This is going to be the first time Peggy has opened her garden and I don't know about the rest of you, but I can't wait to see her amazing seedlings and her glorious introduction, ANN A SANTANIELLO '07, in person.**

**Mary Hull knows a shortcut from Peggy's garden to her AHS Display Garden, so we will be following Mary when we leave Peggy's garden around 3:00pm.**

**Address: 4 Country Club Lane, Monson, MA 01057**

**Phone: 413-267-4658**

**Mary's Display garden is just to die for, in my humble opinion. The amount of time you spend in each garden is up to you because this is our last stop of the day. If you want to buy daylilies at North Orchard Gardens, Mary and her band of helpers will be prepared to dig whatever you desire.**

**Address for North Orchard Gardens: 76 Town Farm Rd., Monson, MA 01057**

**Parking is available across the street from Sunset View Campground.**

**Outdoor facilities are available at North Orchard Gardens for your convenience.**

**It is just a short jaunt back to I-90, as we have done almost a complete circle.**

**Directions back to I-90 from North Orchard Gardens are:**

**Start out going South from 75 Town Farm Rd toward Beebe Rd.**

**Turn RIGHT onto Beebe Rd.**

**Turn RIGHT onto Bethany Rd / Tobey Rd.**

**Turn SLIGHT RIGHT onto Palmer Rd. / MA-32**

**Turn RIGHT onto MA-32/ Stone St.**

**Turn LEFT onto Park St / US-20 / MA 32**

**Turn RIGHT onto Thorndike St. / MA 32**

**I-90 MA Pike ramp will be on your LEFT.**

**Garden Judges, please come as there will be seedlings flagged in these gardens looking for a nomination for a Junior Citation.**

**This day is going to be an exciting, packed full of surprises day, so please, don't forget to mark your calendars for July 14, 2010.**

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