

# New England Daylily Society Newsletter

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ELEGANT PINK BEAUTY  
BENZ '05 PHOTO BY MARLENE HARMON

## Upcoming NEDS Events

### Saturday, July 25, 2015 —Daylily Exhibition at Tower Hill Botanic Garden, Boylston, MA

- 7:30 AM – 10:45 AM    Cleaning and grooming of scapes (exhibitors)
- 11:00 AM – 3:00 PM    Daylily plant sales open.
- 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM    AHS membership table open. (volunteers needed)
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- 1:15 PM - 1:30 PM    **In the Tower Hill Auditorium—FREE Drawings –** 2015 Open Daylily Garden Guide and many daylilies will be in the raffle.
- 1:30 PM - 4:30 PM    Daylily Exhibition- Open to the Public

## NEW ENGLAND DAYLILY SOCIETY

### August Sale

**Saturday, August 22, 2015, Wakefield Congregational Church  
1 Church St , Wakefield, MA**

10 AM open to the public (set-up 8:00 AM)

Live Auction at 12:30 PM

Tell your friends and everyone you know about this sale!!!

PLEASE REMEMBER THIS IS ONE OF OUR TWO MAJOR FUNRAISERS FOR THE YEAR. PLEASE DONATE PLANTS AND/OR COME PREPARED TO BUY!!!

## *Presidents Ponderings*

I'm glad June is behind us and July and bloom season are now upon us. Several issues/events need to be briefly addressed. First up on the list is the Region 4 meeting hosted by the Ct. Daylily Society, from July 17 - 19 in Enfield, CT. One of our fellow NEDS members, Peggy Corbeil will have a display garden for the meeting and is in need of help weeding prior to the meeting and help deadheading the morning of the tour. Anyone able to help would be very much appreciated. Peggy lives at 6 Tracy Drive, Wilbraham, MA. and her phone number is 413-596-8353 to volunteer. There are no facilities at Peggy's but there is a Friendly's about a mile down the road.

Russ Allen has put together the Open Garden list for this summer. Please email Russ at russallen2@aol.com for a copy of the list. Please take the opportunity to visit the gardens of our fellow members. Great job, Russ, and thanks.

Next is our exhibition at Tower Hill on July 25. This is a great opportunity for all the membership to participate in a club activity. I'll skip the details as they'll be addressed in another part of this bulletin.

At our last meeting in April, we discussed the need to purchase a new laptop as our current one is approaching the end of its use full life. I have checked around and before a purchase is actually made, I'd like to get any guidance from members that might be helpful. The membership voted to approve an expenditure up to \$350 for this purpose.

Another item I'd like to put on the agenda is some weeding at our Elm Bank Gardens. The beds need both weeding and dividing of many of the clumps. These clumps then could be used for sale at our August Sale in a few weeks to earn some additional revenue. I'm looking at either Thursday August 6 or 13 for some volunteers to help out with this project. Anyone willing to volunteer, please get in touch with me.

Next is our sale on Saturday, August 22. We need donations of daylilies for our sales tables, auctionable plants

(plants having a value in excess of \$15) and we will have our auction of our annual collection grown for us by Harold and Leila Cross. A list of the plants to be auctioned will be published prior to the auction date. All monies raised at this sale is for the benefit of NEDS. There is no split with donors. The sale will be held at the Congregational Church in Wakefield, as it has for the past few years. Set up time is 8am, sales tables will open at 10am for the public, auction will start about 12:30 pm. Volunteers are needed to auction, runners to deliver auctioned plants, set-up and clean up people, and other various but necessary tasks.

The Curt Hanson auction plants will be available at the Connecticut Regional. Please see George Viamari at the Regional to collect your plant or email him at agtec49@gmail.com.

Get those daylilies growing for our exhibition.

Paul.....



### **Notes from the Secretary—Kathy Viamari**

NEDS MORNING ACTIVITIES - April 11, 2015

Mystery author Neil Sanders gave a humorous presentation from the viewpoint of a husband of a Master Gardener.

Potluck lunch was a success, thanks for all those who contributed.

#### AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES

Business Meeting:

##### 1. Door Prizes

Crown of Splendor - Enid Sackin Reddick

Fred's Red - Bea Thibeault

Knoll Cottage Proper Lady - Lori Jones/ donated to Sue Ito

##### 2. Dan Pessoni spoke about the July Exhibition

3. Membership approved \$ 350 for a computer upgrade.

4. It was announced that there are two addition spaces available for the May sale.

#### Guest Speaker

A presentation by Curt Hanson, Crintonic Gardens was followed by a lively auction.

**NEW ENGLAND DAYLILY SOCIETY – BOARD OF DIRECTOR**

**MINUTES**—submitted by Kathy Viamari

Meeting: April 11, 2015

Meeting called to Order 10:00 AM

Members Present: Kathy Viamari, George Viamari, Paul Tarmasewicz, Lisa Lipomi, Tom Riccio, Mike Sczerzen

1. Minutes from March 14, 2015 minutes approved.
2. Treasury Report: Tom Riccio expressed his concerned that there will be no auction at the May Sale and he suggested that we will need to increase the proceeds from the August Sale.

Tom also indicated that there has been \$ 1250 appropriated to purchase plants for sale at the August 2018 auction.

3. Lori Jones addressed the board and expressed her concern about the club holding a Regional in 2016.
4. Marlene Harmon addressed the board and presented an outline and budget from the 2008 Regional held by NEDS.
5. Meeting Rooms – It was decided that for the meetings in Dec 2015 and Jan 2016 to book room C in the interest of saving money. March and April 2016 meetings will be held

in room A&B.

6. The NEDS Daylily Exhibition will be July 25, 2015 for one day only. NEDS will be allowed to use their own caterer.
7. The President discussed the need for both a Fund Raising and Hospitality Chair.
8. President discussed the need for a laptop upgrade estimated to cost approximately \$ 300.

Meeting adjourned - 10:35AM

***NEDS 2015 Calendar of Events***

- July 17 - 19-** AHS Region 4 Regional - Holiday Inn Springfield-South/Enfield, 1 Bright Meadow Boulevard, Enfield, CT 06082. Speaker Paul Owen of Slightly Different Nursery, Shelby, NC  
<http://cdsregional.weebly.com/>
- July 25** - NEDS Daylily Show and Judged Exhibition at Tower Hill—see details within this newsletter
- August 22** - Public Plant Sale and Auction - Congregational Church, Wakefield, MA—10 AM (set-up starts at 8AM), Live Auction at 12:30 PM

**Region 4 Popularity Poll winners for 2014—How many of these do you have?**



**SUN PANDA**  
Culver '09



**WEBSTER'S PINK WONDER**  
Webster-Cobb '03



**MABOU**  
Mason '03



**PRIMAL SCREAM**  
Hanson '94



**ROSE F. KENNEDY**  
Doorakian '07

Membership in NEDS is complementary to membership in the AHS. There are no additional NED's dues and the e-mail bulletin is included. Membership in AHS is by calendar year – Jan-Dec. and includes a year's subscription (four issues) to *The Daylily Journal*. Membership Renewal is due by January 1st each year. Individual dues are \$25 year, or \$70/ 3 years. Family membership (2 persons) is \$30, or \$83 for 3 years. Life membership: \$500. Youth Membership through calendar year of 18th birthday: \$10. Payment can be made to:

American Hemerocallis Society, c/o Pat Mercer, AHS Executive Secretary, P.O. Box 10, Dexter, GA 31019  
 Contact Marlene Harmon at [harmonhill25@comcast.net](mailto:harmonhill25@comcast.net) or 603-880-6228 to receive the NEDS Newsletter by email. There is a \$5.00/year fee each year for members receiving the newsletter by US mail to help defray the cost of printing and postage.

**NEW ENGLAND DAYLILY SOCIETY 2015 JUDGED EXHIBITION**  
**at Tower Hill Botanic Gardens - Saturday, July 25, 2015**  
***Participate in the Daylily Exhibition***

This is a great opportunity to show the public what the daylily world is all about. Please make a sincere effort to exhibit at least 2 or 3 scapes or offscape blooms. Have fun, win ribbons, win awards, win cash!

Dan Pessoni, Exhibition Chair

***Schedule of Events: (see front page of this newsletter)***

***LOCATION and Directions:***

Tower Hill Botanic Garden, 11 French Drive, Boylston, MA 01505

Telephone: 508-869-6111 [www.towerhillbg.org](http://www.towerhillbg.org)

From I-90 (Mass Pike) or I-495, take Route 290 to Exit 24, ChurchSt. (Watch for Tower Hill directional signs.) Proceed 3 miles north towards Boylston. Entrance is on the right, just before blinking traffic light.

***Upon Arrival:***

Upon entering Tower Hill, you must identify yourself at the Toll Station as a judge, clerk, worker, exhibitor, or NEDS member for free access to the Botanic Garden.

***Friday, July 24- Set-up: Volunteers Needed! Please help!***

**Friday, July 24 @ 8 a.m.** Contact Paul Tarmasewicz at 978-340-4077 or [paka-1968@comcast.net](mailto:paka-1968@comcast.net). Tower Hill Tables will be set up for us, but some may have to be moved into position. Tablecloths will have to be draped over tables. Vases will need to be unpacked and set on tables in the Orangerie for use by daylily exhibitors the following morning. With several folks helping, this work should take no more than a couple of hours.

***On Exhibition Day- Saturday, July 25:***

Saturday, July 25, Exhibition Day starts at 7:30 a.m. When dropping off your scapes to be exhibited, drive past the "do not enter" sign to the rear of the building. Drop off your scapes -someone will be there to help you. Return your car to the parking lot; there is no parking at the loading area. Cleaning and grooming of scapes to be exhibited will be from 7:30 a.m. to no later than 10:45 a.m. All exhibited daylilies must be given to Leslie Nolan and Adele Keohan, Classification Chairs, for classification. Exhibit must be in completed form, i.e. in vase with tag completed and well groomed. You can lose up to 15 points if your exhibit is not groomed properly, i.e. brown on the scape, pollen on the petals, etc. Placement chair Richard Blanchard and will place your exhibit in the proper division. If your exhibit is one of the five Regional Popularity Poll daylilies: *Sun Panda*, *Webster's Pink Wonder*, *Mabou*, *Primal Scream*, *Rose F. Kennedy* - it must be displayed in Division I, Section 9, Popularity Poll, not in large, small, miniature, etc. areas. If you have any concerns about how to groom your daylilies for the Exhibition, someone will be there to educate and assist you. If you have questions, please contact Dan Pessoni @ 508-255-9348 or [danthelilyman@aol.com](mailto:danthelilyman@aol.com). **Helpful hint:** Bring address labels to complete your entry tags--this will save you time since you must write your name and address twice on each tag. This promises to be the most exciting NEDS sponsored Exhibi-

tion ever. Tower Hill Botanic Garden, the location for our Exhibition, is located on 132 acres with breathtaking views of Mt. Wachusett and Wachusett Reservoir. Take time to wander around this incredible garden.

### ***Judging of Scapes:***

Judging will begin promptly at 11:00 am. Clerks are to report by 10:30 am-- Nicki Dricken, Shirley Ann Robbins, Leslie Nolan, Pam Kann, Lori-Ann Jones, Richard Blanchard, Elisabeth Murphy, Claudia Conway, and Edvinas Misciukevicious. *Note: Clerks can exhibit scapes.* The exhibition will open to the public at 1:30 pm.

### ***In the Tower Hill Auditorium Starting at 11:15***

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**1:15 PM - 1:30 PM: FREE Drawings** – 2015 Open Daylily Garden Guide and many daylilies will be in the raffle.

### ***Exhibition open – 1:30 PM***

**Exhibition displaying 200 to 300 of the finest daylilies grown in the Northeast.** This is a terrific time to grow your wish list. The success of our Exhibition depends on members getting involved. Remember, you can exhibit current or older daylilies. We look forward to seeing everyone there. It promises to be a wonderful time.

***Post notices at nurseries. Tell your gardening friends. Come to the exhibition and bring as many scapes as you can. See you there!***

### ***Daylily Sales and Membership Table:***

**Daylily Sales:** A reminder to those selling their daylilies at the exhibition that NEDS gets 10% of your gross sales and a registered daylily donation for the raffle is required. Contact Denise Pavlovich (978.433.0445) or email her at [dpav54@hotmail.com](mailto:dpav54@hotmail.com) with any questions.

**Membership Table:** We need one or two people to man the membership table sell the 2015 Open Daylily Gardens Guide. We are looking for people with an abundance of enthusiasm to explain the benefits of joining the daylily society. Hopefully, when visitors learn that becoming a member of AHS means they are also members of AHS Region 4 and NEDS, some will immediately want to join. Visitors who join AHS on this day will receive a free daylily plant. Enticements are needed to recruit new members to AHS and to raffle off to the general public. One of the goals is to educate the public about our favorite flower and to recruit new members to AHS. If you have a daylily, seeds, or want to offer a discount coupon to your selling garden, contact Denise Pavlovich (978.433.0445) or email her at [dpav54@hotmail.com](mailto:dpav54@hotmail.com).

## **Exhibition Divisions: (Division and Section numbers must be filled in on exhibition tag.)**

### **DIVISION I - Horticulture on-Scape**

Section 1: Registered Extra Large Flower 7" or more in diameter Groups A-Z (alphabetically by cultivar name)

Section 2: Registered Large Flower 4 1/2" or more but under 7" Groups A-Z

Section 3: Registered Small Flower 3" or more but under 4 1/2" Groups A-Z

Section 4: Registered Miniature Flower less than 3" Groups A-Z

Section 5: Registered Double, polymerous and multiform flowers. May be subdivided according to size or maybe subdivided according to multiform classification.

Section 6: Registered Spider Flower – Spider ratio 4.0:1 or greater. May be subdivided according to size or maybe subdivided according to multiform classification.

Section 7: Registered Unusual Form Flower Groups A-Z

Section 8: Youth - Registered cultivars, any size, form, or pattern Groups A-Z

Section 9: Regional Popularity Poll – Any one or each of the top five cultivars from the most recent regional poll: *Sun Panda*, *Webster's Pink Wonder*, *Mabou*, *Primal Scream*, *Rose F. Kennedy*

Section 10: Seedlings

Group 1: Extra Large

Group 2: Large

Group 3: Small

Group 4: Miniature

Group 5: Double-Polymerous and Multiform

Group 6: Spider

Group 7: Unusual Form

Section 11: The American Hemerocallis Society Achievement Medal  
Three scapes of a single seedling or preregistered cultivar severed as near the base as possible. (An exhibitor may have multiple entries in this section.)

### **DIVISION II - Horticulture Off-Scape**

**Division II will be a judged event this year.**

Section 1: Registered Extra Large Flowers 7" or more in diameter Groups A-Z (alphabetically by cultivar name.)

Section 2: Registered Large Flowers 4 1/2" or more but under 7" Groups A-Z

Section 3: Registered Small Flowers 3" or more but under 4 1/2" Groups A-Z

Section 4: Registered Miniature Flowers less than 3" Groups A-Z

Section 5: Registered Double Flowers Groups A-Z

Section 6: Registered Spider Flowers – Spider ratio 4.0:1 or greater Groups A-Z

Section 7: Registered Unusual Form Flowers Groups A-Z

Section 8: Youth - Registered cultivars, any size, form, or pattern Groups A-Z

### **DIVISION III - Education**

Class A: Exhibits showing any phase of the growing, hybridizing, culture or classification of daylilies.

Class B: Exhibits showing the use of daylilies in art and/or literature.

Class C: A display of materials available through membership in the AHS.

Class D: Species - Not Judged. Any species may be displayed, on scape.

**DESIGN DIVISION - Due to very few commitments by members, there will not be a Design Division at this year's Exhibition.**

## **Awards:**

### **MAJOR AWARDS**

**The AHS Purple Award** is awarded to each blue ribbon winner scoring 95 or more within Section 1 - 10 of Division I. **The AHS Rosette** is awarded to the most outstanding purple ribbon winning entry in Sections 1 - 10 of Division I.

**The AHS Best in Show Rosette** is awarded to the best of the AHS Rosette winners in Section 1 - 10 of Division I.

**The AHS Sweepstakes Rosette** is awarded to the exhibitor winning the most blue ribbons in Division 1, Section 1 - 10. In the event of a tie, purple ribbons will be counted. If a tie should still exist, red, then yellow ribbons will be counted.

**SPECIAL AWARDS The AHS Achievement Medal**

is awarded to the originator of each entry of 3 scapes of a single seedling, severed as close to the base as possible, in Division I, Section 11, scoring an average of 90 points or more in which, in the opinion of the judges, shows adequate merit and distinctiveness as compared with existing cultivars. Entries must be entered by number as assigned by the Classification Committee. Each of the judges on the panel assigned to judge the entries will point score each scape individually. The score sheets will be returned to the General Show Chair and Tabulation Committee Chair who will tabulate the scores. Scores will not be official until they have been verified by the Exhibition’s Chair or the Exhibition’s Committee.

**The AHS Award of Appreciation**, a rosette, may be given at the discretion of the local show committee, not the judges, to one or more non-competitive educational Exhibits in Division IV to show appreciation for the significant efforts involved.

**LOCAL AWARDS**

**Class 1: New England Daylily Award**

This award is given to the exhibitor of the finest specimen on scape of a registered daylily originated in New England. The entry does not have to be made by the hybridizer. Any number of entries may be made by the same exhibitor as long as each entry shown is a different cultivar. \$25.00 award.

**Class 2:** Sweepstakes Winner (Youth Classes) First Prize: \$15.00

**Class 3:** A.H.S. Sweepstakes Winners Awarded to the exhibitor winning the most blue ribbons in Division I, Sections 1 - 10. First Prize: \$25.00; Runner-Up: \$15.00

**Class 4:** Best-in-Show Winner will receive a \$50 Award.

*The American Hemerocallis Society is conducting a search for a new Registrar, to be hired in late 2015. Application forms should be sent to Search Committee Chair, Nikki Schmith, by September 15, 2015.*

*Nikki Schmith, AHS Search Committee Chair  
424 Pheasant Court, Worden, IL 62097 (248-739-9006)*

**HORTICULTURE SCALE OF POINTS**

	On Scape Registered Cultivars	On Scape seedling
<b>Distinction</b>	-	25
<b>Flower</b>		
<b>Color</b>	10	10
<b>Form</b>	10	10
<b>Texture</b>	10	10
<b>Substance</b>	10	10
<b>Size of Flower</b>	10	-
<b>Scape</b>		
<b>Height and strength</b>	15	10
<b>Buds</b>	10	10
<b>Branching</b>	10	10
<b>Condition and Grooming</b>	15	5
<b>Total</b>	100	100

As you can see, Condition and Grooming is very important. You can lose up to 15 points if your exhibit is not groomed properly, i.e. brown on the scape, pollen on the petals, etc.



**A GATHERING OF ANGELS**  
DOUGLAS, C 06  
PHOTO BY MARLENE HARMON

## What is an AHS Garden Judge?

An AHS Garden Judge is someone who evaluates the performance of daylilies in garden settings. Garden judges visit gardens in their own AHS region as well as other regions when possible. While visiting these gardens, the garden judge looks at and evaluates the whole daylily plant, not just the bloom. As a garden judge you will be able to vote for the daylilies you think should receive awards—including the Stout Silver Medal, which is the highest award a daylily cultivar can receive. You will be trained to consider the whole plant when you make evaluations consistently and objectively. You will consider the foliage, scape, buds and branching, plant vigor, beauty and distinction of the bloom in making your evaluations. If you have been an AHS member for at least 12 months, you can start the training. You need to have been a member for 2 full years at the time you send in the application to be a Garden Judge. If you are interested in becoming a Garden Judge, you need to take two Garden Judge Workshops in any order you choose. The Garden Judge Workshop 1 is typically held in a classroom and is usually offered at AHS Regional and National Meetings. Instructors will show a powerpoint presentation and discuss the duties and responsibilities of Garden Judges as well as the criteria for plant evaluation and the system of AHS Awards and Honors. Students take a short quiz based on the presentation.

Garden Judge Workshop 2 is conducted in a garden. It is the practicum in the training of an AHS Garden Judge. Students are guided in the evaluation of plants and encouraged to develop a consistent method of scoring / evaluating based on observable plant characteristics. Once both Workshops 1 and 2 have been completed successfully, you merely need fill out a one page Garden Judge application and send it to your Regional President. It is important that you attend at least one Regional meeting or an AHS National Convention during which garden tours are conducted within the previous

three years. You should become familiar with the contents of the latest Garden Judges Handbook “AHS Garden Judges.” Any AHS member can download the Garden Judges Handbook for free! Simply visit the AHS Members Portal and navigate to the Garden Judges Materials page at <http://www.daylilynetwork.org/general/custom.asp?page=GardenJudges>. For more information on becoming a Garden Judge, visit the AHS website, [www.daylilies.org](http://www.daylilies.org) and click on ‘Judges, Garden’. Or you can contact the Region 4 Garden Judge Liaison, Gary Jones at [garyjones0198@charter.net](mailto:garyjones0198@charter.net).



Garden Judge Workshop 2, John Wagner garden,

Kingsport, TN photo: A. Keohan



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