



THE GARDEN GATE

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JOHN'S JOTTINGS

WOW!!!! What a super-great show!!!!

I must confess that I was a little anxious about the combined show plan. But was I wrong! Yes, you read it here, I said, "I was wrong about something." I expected the "too many cooks in the kitchen" syndrome. However, the cooperation was tremendous. The work from set-up to put-up went like a well-tuned operation. Everyone did a great job: THANK YOU! Yes, there were a few minor glitches but they did not send men to the Moon without a few glitches either. Susan Austin and Pat Weller did it right. They deserve the praise for a job very well done.

I was told that there were 202 exhibits. The blooms were excellent. I do not envy the judges deciding which was the best. The room was very nicely decorated. I liked the

red, white, and blue coloring. The food, what can I say, it was great. Thank you to everyone who made it possible. I do not have the list of winners, etc. Susan Austin will have that list elsewhere in the newsletter.

The menu for August will be "Mexican." If you did not sign-up to bring something, please send a note to Sharon Bartlett.

The Fall Sale will be September 24, 2016. If you have any suggestions or thoughts about the sale, please get with Ken Long. Ken is managing the Fall sale this year. Let's all do what we can to make this as great a sale as we can.

I am looking forward to seeing each of you at the next meeting: August 18 at 7:30 or earlier. I have not heard what the program will be, but that will no doubt be listed elsewhere, also. Let's make it a great meeting.

John ❖

Program

Our speaker in August is:

Rachel Richter
Urban Wildlife Biologist, DFW
Texas Parks and Wildlife

She will be speaking about bats. Rachel Richter is an Urban Wildlife Biologist for Texas Parks and Wildlife in the DFW area. Rachel is an Arlington native and is always happy to have an opportunity to get outside and explore. Rachel has a bachelor's degree in Wildlife and Fisheries science from Texas A&M and a master's degree in Wildlife Ecology from Texas State University.

Janet ❖

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Secretary's report

John Turrentine called the meeting to order at 7:33.

1. Welcomed the guests Tucker & Rebecca Reed.
 2. Secretary's minutes and Treasurer's Reports approved as printed.
 3. Sunshine report
 - a. Jerry Gibson fell and broke a couple of fingers
 - b. Mike & Dee Dee got food poisoning
 4. Signup sheet for food
 - a. The sign-up sheet for August meeting circulated. The theme is Mexican food.
 - b. Food for the show on the 4th – condiments & buns for hot dogs/hamburgers especially needed.
 - c. BBQ and basic sides will be purchased for the picnic with members bringing other sides & desserts.
 5. Communications
 - a. None
 6. Old Business
 - a. Report on show progress – more greeters & education people are needed
 - b. Report on outdoor sale - the leftover plants are potted-up and reviving very well for the fall sale. There are still a number that could be sold, please come and get them.
 7. New Business
 - a. Drawing for five door prizes
 - b. Members were asked who had gardens open for tours. John T, Vernon, Ken & Linda's are open. Call first.
 - c. Group trip plans discussed – nothing decided
 - d. Set up for the show is 1-4 June 3rd, then 8-10 on Sat.
- Meeting was adjourned at 7:56 for food and longtime member and hybridizer Nickie Knight's talk on how to groom daylily scapes for the show.
- 23 members and 2 guests were present

Susan ❖

NTDS Show Report

For the first time, NTDS and Daylily Growers of Dallas combined club efforts and together presented "Daylilies – Fireworks of the Garden" show, certified by the American Hemerocallis Society on June 4th. With over 200 blooms and dozens of photographs entered, the judges had the difficult task of choosing the best in each category, but the winners emerged and Skinwalker, a spider flower entered by Vernon Wallis, was chosen as best of show. Food with a picnic theme was served to the judges and volunteers under the capable hands of Margaret Cline and Cathy Koogler. The public enjoyed the exhibited entries after the judging was completed. Daylilies in pots were given as door prizes throughout the public show time to those

willing to fill out an entry form that included email addresses. Those people will receive email newsletters with the hope that they will choose to join the club. Questions visitors had were answered by club members. Having two clubs volunteers meant a more relaxed, enjoyable show for all. This may not be the last combined effort!



Winners list:

Extra Large: Morning Breaks Eternal – Carpenter, J. – 2005 – Sharon Bartlett

Large: Kisses for Cinderella – Morss – 2007 – Bonnie Nichols

Small: Caribbean Little Jesse – Talbot – 1997 – Eddie & Nickie Knight

Miniature: Texas Sunlight – Louis, J. – 1981 – Bonnie Nichols

Double Form, Multiform, Polymerous: Tickle My Fancy – Joiner, J. – 2004 – Ken & Linda Long

Spider: Skinwalker – Roberts, N. – 1997 – Vernon Wallis

Unusual form: Kathryn June Wood – Roberts, N. – 2004 - Vernon Wallis

Popularity Poll: Beautiful Edgings – Copenhauer – 1989 – Ken & Linda Long

Seedling: Tom Bevel – Tom Bevel

Sweepstakes: Vernon Wallis

Johnson County Iris & Daylily Society Show Report

The Johnson County Iris & Daylily Society held their 4th annual Daylily Show Saturday, June 11, 2016. It was a bit past peak, but still managed to have 65 On-Scape exhibits and 50 Off-Scapes. Because of problems with availability and health of judges, they were not able to have an accredited show but had a wonderful display and “Mock” show with many members participating and even 3 members from the North Texas Daylily Society entering flowers. AHS Exhibition judges Dan & Peggy Cathey, who are also members of JCI&DS were able to judge the daylilies with the help of several interested club members who participated in the selection and were interested to learn more about how to exhibit their blooms and what all the judges look at when judging. Once the section winners were selected, the 2 judges and 3 *judges in training* used the *AHS Best of Show Ballot* to select the Best of Show winner. How the ballot works: each section winner must earn a minimum of 95 points to progress to the head table and win their section. The ballots list all the parts the judges must consider when point scoring, such as color, form, texture, substance and size of the bloom also height & strength of the scape, bud count and branching plus condition and grooming, which shows how much attention and care the exhibitor gave to each exhibit before entering it in the show. The judges then take off points in half point increments for flaws they see in each of the section winners but the points cannot add up to more than 5 because there were no more than 5 points taken off to win the section. Each of the judges’ scores are then entered into a computer program AHS provides. There are no names on the ballots. After all the points are entered for each judge and each section winner, the program tallies the points and displays the Best of Show winner - the one with the fewest points. No one knows which flower won until the computer program tells them. It is fun and fair. No one judge can influence the final decision. The Mock Show winners were as follows:

Section 1-Extra Large-*Daddy Tom* exhibited by Peggy & Dan Cathey

Section 2-Large-*Desperado Love* exhibited by Doris Harts

Section 3-Small-*Strawberry Candy* exhibited by Mary Keeth

Section 4-Miniature-*Siloam June Bug* exhibited by Peggy & Dan Cathey

Section 5-Double-*Mount Aetna* exhibited by Sharon Bartlett (member of NTDS)

Section 6-Spider-*Panama Jack* exhibited by Peggy & Dan Cathey

Section 10-Seedling-exhibited by John Turrentine (member of NTDS and new JCI&DS member)

The Best of Show winner was the Spider entry – *Panama Jack*

Members and show visitors voted for their favorite and Vicki Howard’s *Free Wheelin’*, with 2 huge flowers open, won the popular vote.

Show Chair, Bill Calhoon and his partner, Phil Nacke brought the meat for Taverns, a loose meat sandwich, and for tacos. Members brought all the fixin’s. Lunch was served to all. There were several delicious desserts but the biggest hit came from Janet Goodman and she was asked to share the recipe with the NTDS.

There was also lots of potted and bare-root daylilies for sale at the show. Photos of each of the plants were displayed to make selection easier.

Peggy Cathey❖

AHS Region 6: Popularity Poll Ballot

It is that time of year again when we have the privilege of voting for our favorite daylilies in the AHS Popularity Poll.

Remember **you must vote by September 1st.**

One of the requirements for voting in the AHS Daylily Popularity Poll is that **you MUST be an AHS member.** If you have not paid your annual AHS dues and you vote, your vote will be thrown out.

If you are an AHS member, go to the ballot web page and select Region 6 from the drop-down list. Then press the Select Your Region button.

<http://www.daylilies.org/PopPoll/ballot.html>

Vote for up to, but no more than ten (10) cultivars. A valid ballot may consist of only one vote.

Put check marks in front of the daylily names you wish to select. You also have the option of write-in votes for up to 5 daylily names. Your votes, including write-ins, may not total more than 10.

Fill in your name, email address, and mailing address at the bottom of the ballot. You may also include the name of your daylily club. Press the CONTINUE button. Then press the VOTE THIS BALLOT button and your choices will be sent.

Our Regional Publicity Director, Robert Valenza, will tabulate the votes and report the totals for the most popular daylilies in Region 6.

Ray Houston❖

SUNSHINE REPORT

Please be in prayer for Larry & Debbie Pike. As many of you know, they lost most of their belongings (house, car, outbuildings, gardens) to the Brazos River flood. On June 27th Larry learned that his Father has passed away overseas. AHS has told him that the Summer Region 6 Newsletter can be delayed.

Jim❖

MAY HOST/HOSTESS -

POT LUCK

Vernon Wallis, Joyce Valdez, Rosa Sandoval, Ester Strawn, Cathy Koogler, Gail Williams, Joan Schmidt, Pat Engel, Edwardo Campista, Nickie Knight, Linda ???, Dee Dee Thompson, Lee & Jerry Gibson, Susan Austin, Janet von Kohn, Margaret Cline, and John Turrentine

Thanks so much!



AUGUST HOST/HOSTESS -

MEXICAN

Margaret Cline, Ester Strawn, Gail Williams, Vernon Wallis, Joyce Valdez, Linda Long, Nickie Knight, Janet Howie, Lee Gibson, Susan Austin, Rebecca Reed, and Bob & Mary Ledebor

Thanks!



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NTDS Meeting @ Ft Worth Botanic Gardens

Time 7:30 PM, August 18th 2016

DGDallas Meeting @ North Haven Gardens

Time 10:00 AM, Third Saturday,
Jan-May, Sept-Nov.

Johnson County Iris & Daylily Society @

United Cooperative Services, Cleburne

Time 10 AM, Second Saturday monthly

ETDS Meeting @ Tyler Rose Gardens

Oct Meeting - Plant/Seed Exchange

Time 2:00 PM, Second Sunday,
Jan-May, Oct-Nov

Shows n Sales

AHS Regionals

Reg6 --- 2016 - TBA

Reg11 - June 24-26 in Wichita, Kansas

Reg13 - May 20-21 in Dothan, Alabama.

AHS

June 29-July 2, 2016 - Louisville, KY

June 21-24, 2017 - Norfolk, Virginia.

June 6-10, 2018, Myrtle Beach. SC

North Texas Daylily Society

Membership Application Form

Please complete ALL fields

Date _____ Renewal for 20____ New membership(s)

Note that new members joining after January 1st are joining for following year.

Are you currently an American Hemerocallis Society member?

Names (please print) _____

Mailing address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone numbers Home _____

Work _____

Email address _____

Do you need the Newsletter mailed? ____ (Y/N)

Do you want a NorthTexasDaylilySociety.org email address? ____ (Y/N)

If so, PRINT exact address wanted.

(Normally this is First.Last@NorthTexasDaylilySociety.org)

Memberships desired: Single member - \$15 Family membership - \$20

Youth member - \$8

Life membership - \$150 Lifetime family membership - \$200

Please make checks payable to **North Texas Daylily Society**

Mail to **C. L. GIBSON**
NTDS VP Membership,
620 Cullum Ave
Hurst, Texas 76053

In addition to NorthTexasDaylilySociety.org, we have the alias NorthTexasDaylilySociety.com. Please note that the Newsletter address has changed on previous pages.

The 'I have a problem/question' address is admin@northtexasdaylilysociety.org.

My club address is Jim.Bartlett@northtexasdaylilysociety.org while my normal email continues to be G236007@gmail.com

I plan on discussing this as needed in future meetings. I think using our club as your email address (or one of your email addresses) is just nicer than gmail, yahoo, msn, etc. Or the ever changing email address provided by your current ISP.

And, you can quickly change the NorthTexasDaylilySociety.org account to automatically forward **all mail to any other email account**. It will keep or delete the messages forwarded as you instruct.

So, I can just set everybody up or ask for requests. I would prefer to set everyone up at one time because I can do that from the membership list. And yes, this is a little easier than manually setting up 40-odd folks. Please note that I did NOT say 40 odd-folks.... :o)

OBTW, this includes all the applications included with a GMAIL account, private and shared DOCs (word processing, spreadsheets, etc), private and shared calendars, private and shared Sites (web pages).

Think about it and we can discuss any Thursday. Or just send me a note.

Jim