



THE GARDEN GATE

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JOHN'S JOTTINGS

The food was super supper. Thank you to everyone who brought the fantastic food.

The Business meeting went very well. We discussed The Outdoor Botanic Garden Sale. We will set up Thursday afternoon April 9. It will be open to the public on Friday, April 10, and Saturday, April 11, from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

The bus trip may be changed into a caravan or a van rental. Only about ten (10) people expressed interest in going to see Carpenter's Farm in East Texas, more to follow as this develops.

The Popularity Poll was mentioned. IF you have a photo of any of these plants blooming in your yard, would you please bring those pictures to a meeting? Many of

them, many of us have never seen. We would like to know what they are before we vote. Please, let's help each other out about this.

The first member to be selected to receive the monthly AHS membership was Joan Schmidt. She gave it to Sally Lloyd. Congratulations.

I am looking forward to the program this month. I think it will be interesting. Bring a friend or two with you this month.

See you Thursday, April 16, 2015, at 7:30 PM (or before) for the meeting.

John ❖

Secretary's report

President John Turrentine called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

He welcomed members, guests, and our speaker, Trip Smith, from the Fort Worth Botanical Garden Conservation greenhouse.

John announced the Daylily sale in East Texas, in front of the Goodman Museum, on March 27 and March 28.

The minutes and treasurer's reports were approved as written.

Old business:

The Outdoor Botanic Garden Sale was discussed. Set up will be Thursday evening, April 9. Our sale will be on Friday, April 10, and Saturday, April 12, from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Members are encouraged to help on either day, even for a couple of hours.

Currently, the Tagging party will be held on April 4th, at Ken and Linda Long's. It is possible that date may be altered to a weekday if the daylilies arrive at a date

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unplanned. We will have a picnic following the tagging party. Members signed up to bring sides, etc. Ken will keep members informed of further details.

There was little interest shown regarding a bus trip, at this time.

New Business:

The Popularity Poll was discussed.

Sunshine:

Please keep Cliff Russell, of Lowes in Mansfield, in our prayers. He suffered a fall.

Joan Schmidt won the A.H.S. membership drawing and gave it to Sally Lloyd.

Door Prizes were won by:

Rick Lee, Nickie Knight, Esther Strawn, Jerry Gibson, Connie Taylor, and Keith Von Kohn.

At 7:20 p.m. the business meeting was adjourned and all members enjoyed a pot luck dinner.

Program:

Botanic Garden Specialist Trip Smith delivered a very informative program on vegetable growing. He provided hand-outs also. His motto is: "Plan the work, and work the plan." He suggests members plant Celebrity tomatoes as well as Champion, Super Fantastic, and the new A&M Super-star-"Tycoon". Vernon Wallis shared how delicious the Cherokee Purple is, although harder to find, and not as prolific as others. Trip brought Celebrity tomato plants for each member, which was very nice and well received.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Dee Dee❖

Program

Do you know what a Poly daylily is? Come to our meeting this month and you will find the answer. Our president, John Turrentine, will present a program about his beloved Poly plants. He has recently given this program to the East Texas Daylily Society and the Daylily Growers of Dallas, so he should be prepared for any question we throw at him! See you at the meeting.

Linda❖

Region 6 - News

Calista Stewart, Lone Star Daylily Society Flower Show Chair, has provided a copy of the official Flower Show Schedule. This flower show will take place on May 14th, the first day of the 2015 Region 6 Meeting. I have posted the schedule to the Region 6 website.

http://www.ahsregion6.org/regional_meeting.htm

Because this flower show is also a Region 6 Meeting flower show, the Tricolor Award winner will also receive the Region 6 Bill Ater Design Award.

http://www.ahsregion6.org/awards_Bill_Ater_Design.htm

If you have questions about the flower show, please contact Calista at hantesa@hotmail.com

The 2015 Spring newsletter, "Daylilies of the Southwest", has been completed, published, and mailed. It is also posted to Reg 6 website at:

http://www.ahsregion6.org/newsletters_online.htm

We have received word that Jim Petty is retiring. His company in Albuquerque, New Mexico, has been printing the Region 6 Newsletter for several years and has done an excellent job for us.

We are going to need a printer who will do the complete job - printing, mailing labels, and bulk mailing.

If you know of someone who does this type of work, please respond as soon as possible.

Ray Houston, Region 6❖

Johnson County Iris & Daylily Society

The 25th annual Cleburne Iris Show is only 3 weeks away, April 18th. The show will be held in the gym (SW corner) of the JN Long Cultural Arts Complex, 425 Granbury, in Cleburne, Texas, behind HEB.

Everyone is invited to enter the show. There is no entry fee and you only need to know the name of the iris and have a green bottle (wine bottles work great) to show it in. Rules and entry times are listed in the show schedule: <http://cleburnearea.com/irisdaylily/files/2014/02/2015-JCIDS-Show-Schedule.pdf>

Exhibits will open to the public for viewing from 1-4:00 p.m., after the judging is complete.

In conjunction with the show, we will offer potted iris for sale. The sale will begin at 10:30 and run until 4:00, or until sold out. Exhibitors will be bringing in their entries prior to this, so please wait until 10:30 for the sale to enable exhibitors time to get their entries checked in and placed before judging.

The potted iris will be \$10 each or 3/\$25. Each pot has a minimum of 2 plants and most have several. These plants have been growing in the pots and will be ready for planting in your garden right away. Photos of each iris offered for sale will be available to make your selection easier. Some quantities are limited, so come early for the best selection.

You may see the iris photos on our Facebook page, listed below. Please "Like" us on Facebook.

If you have any questions, please contact the Show Chair, Peggy Cathey, at iris.daylilies@gmail.com.

Visit our website here: <http://cleburnearea.com/irisdaylily/>

"Like" us on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/johnsoncountyirisanddaylilyociety>

Peggy❖

RIP Edwin P. von Kohn

Edwin P. von Kohn, 87, passed away Sunday, March 29, 2015. Edwin was born March 5, 1928, in Mashulaville, Miss. He retired from the U.S. Air Force and General Dynamics. He was a longtime member of Connell Baptist Church where he served as a deacon and Sunday school teacher. Edwin was very active serving on various committees for Westworth Village. He was a member of the Tarrant Baptist Disaster Relief Committee. Survivors: Wife, Wanda von Kohn; son, Keith and Janet von Kohn; and grandson, Chris von Kohn.

Sunshine❖

Snippets

The Mansfield Garden Club will be visiting the Long's AHS display garden this spring.

If you have not read it Dee Dee has a Weatherford Living column in Star Telegram at <http://tinyurl.com/mga7j6u> and she gave our sale a nice plug, [thanks Dee Dee](#).

We have, in the past, had a couple of columns that I would like to resurrect. To contribute to any of these, just email the newsletter.

Got it / Want it

If you have an over abundance of some plant, tell the other members, perhaps they want it (and may even come and DIG IT UP for you).

If you want some plant, tell the other members and perhaps someone has it.

Any plants including, of course, daylilies.

Or, for that matter, if your compost runneth over, someone really wants it.

Show us your garden

Yep, correct, I stole the name from Star Telegram. Some years ago, I called and volunteered our yard to be featured. Assuming there was a backlog, I had not yet told Sharon. There was no backlog. They called before I got home. Sigh.

What you can do is just provide pictures of your yard. I usually have room for a few pictures. Any your comments welcome.

Susan (glutton for punishment that she is) also wants pictures of your yards to put on our club web page and facebook page.

My Favorite Daylily

Just send a picture and info on some cultivar. If it is a seedling, great, even better. Just size, height, etc. And short paragraph on why it is your favorite.

In this regard, you can have more than one favorite.

Jim❖

Daylily gardens celebrate 25 years

<http://tinyurl.com/opb9dfd>

On March 28, Erikson's Daylily Gardens [24642 51 Ave, Langley, BC V2Z 1H9, Canada] will open for their 25th year of educating new and seasoned gardeners about the joys of gardening — and in particular, growing daylilies, hostas and lilies.

Pam and Tom Erikson started the garden in 1987 on a bare acre, and opened their doors to the public in 1990.

Now featuring more than 3,200 varieties of daylilies and 500 varieties of hosta, Erikson's Daylily Gardens is world-renowned and welcomes thousands of visitors each year to their garden, certified by both the American Hemerocallis Society and the Canadian Hemerocallis Society as a national display garden.

The gardens are open for an annual open house in July and also for many days in July during peak bloom season.



They are also open most weekends from the end of March to the end of June, helping visitors select the right varieties for their gardens, and offering seminars on a variety of gardening subjects.

Both Erikson's Daylily Gardens and Select Roses, also of Langley, are celebrating their 25th anniversaries this year.

for more information, please visit the website at www.eriksonsdaililygardens.com or check out their Facebook page.

News article❖

SUNSHINE REPORT

Ken Long is having back problem again, please keep him in your thoughts.

Jim❖

MARCH HOST/HOStESS – POT LUCK

Janet von Kohn, Susan Austin, Shirlene Holt, Cathy Koogler, Margaret Cline, Tom & Diane Bevel, Ester Strawn, Vernon Wallis, Linda Long, Dee Dee Thompson, and Sharon Bartlett

Thanks!

APRIL HOST/HOStESS – MEXICAN

Dee Dee and Mike Thompson, Linda Long, Connie Taylor, Esther Strawn, Margaret Cline, Deby Hill, E J Lee, and Sharon Bartlett

Thanks!



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NTDS Meeting @ Ft Worth Botanic Gardens
Time 7:30 PM, April 16th 2015

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

Shows n Sales

AHS Region 6
May 14-16, 2015, Hilton Garden Inn, Houston/Pearland Tx

AHS
June 10-14, 2015 – Atlanta, GA
June 29-July 2, 2016 - Louisville, KY
June 21-24 , 2017 - Norfolk, Virginia.

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Are you currently an American Hemerocallis Society member?

Names (please print) _____

Mailing address _____

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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**

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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