



# THE GARDEN GATE

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## JOHN'S JOTTINGS

The Educational Exhibition on June 7th was a tremendous success. The Team did a great job bringing the flowers, food, and fellowship. There were over 240 flowers exhibited, plus the off scape entries, Photos, and Artistic entries. More about this will be reported in the Report to Members about the show later.

The American Hemerocallis Society (American Daylily Society) recently presented its annual awards at the National Convention held June 25-28, 2014, in Asheville, North Carolina. The AHS Region 6 Service Award was awarded to one of our members: Lee and Anita Causey of Flower Mound, TX. The announcement stated,

Both Lee and Anita have been members of the American Hemerocallis Society (AHS) and the Daylily Growers of Dallas (DGD) since 1997. Since joining, Lee has held most all elected offices and many committee chairs in DGD. Lee was President of the Daylily Growers of Dallas during 2005 and 2006. Anita has served as DGD Secretary and on a number of committees.

Each year, they donate many daylily plants to DGD's Spring and Fall Daylily Sales. Lee and Anita are known throughout AHS Region Six as they enter and win top awards in all the area daylily flower shows. Lee and Anita have attended most all recent Region Six Meetings and a few AHS National Conventions. At Region Six Meetings they frequently have been high bidders in the Daylily Plant Auction (which supports the Region Six Newsletter) and they donate daylily plants to this Auction. Their large and extensively landscaped daylily garden in Flower Mound, Texas, has been a tour garden twice (1998 and 2005) when DGD has hosted the Region Six Meeting and Garden Tours.

Lee & Anita's garden was also on tour at the Region 6 --- 2009 ---meeting in Fort Worth. The highlight of our tour gardens.

To this, they replied, "WOW! We are so humbled, honored and thankful. Thank you Binion for the nomination. Lee and Anita " Both Lee and Anita have been a great support for the North Texas Daylily Society. They have supported NTDS in many ways. They have exhibited in the

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shows, donated prizes and we are very glad that they have received this honor. Congratulations.

Those who missed the picnic, they missed a great time. The food was fantastic. The flowers were exceptional. The time together was delightful. Thank you, Linda and Ken for hosting the picnic again this year. It was a celebration indeed!!

I am looking forward to the August meeting. Linda reports that Mr. Tim Bell will be speaking to our club in August. He will also be bringing daylilies to auction off to help pay for his trip. We need to start at 7 PM. to have time for this program.

**John** ❖

## Secretary's report

Minutes: 5/15/14

John Turrentine called the meeting to order at 7:10.

One guest, Deby Hill, was welcomed.

Secretary's & Treasurer's reports were approved.

Correspondence - none.

Old business:

1. Region 6 Hospitality room – covered with volunteers
2. Call for tours at member gardens since blooms are late

New business:

1. Texas Garden Club – lifetime membership (\$100) for the club approved along with \$50 donation
2. AHS membership-encouraged to join
3. June 14th for picnic at Long's house-starting about 10. Members bring drinks/side dishes
4. Sign up for August food (potluck, but cool dishes), picnic, and show hospitality room food went around.

Door prizes (Margaret's lovely jams) were drawn.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 & then dinner & discussion of June show.

20 members and one guest present.

Respectfully submitted,

**Susan** ❖

## 'Stars Of The Garden' show review

Three Questions were asked:

1. List something that went wrong and share how it could be corrected.
2. List something that went well with the show.

3. List one thing that you learned doing this show.

The answers will follow this outline. I will attempt to present this as if it were ONE speaker is representing all twelve (12) that I received. As a result, there may be some contradiction in the comments. Remember, I am not attempting to follow the use of good English, but to list the responses as well as I can. Also, I have attempted to protect the identity of the unknown responders. jt

1. List something that went wrong and share how it could be corrected.

Twice it was said, "We had to get up too early." Perhaps we could "start member time at 9:00 or 9:30." But it was all great. We need to bring the name tags and to bring the daylily sign. The "stars" were pretty on the tables, but the voting "stars" need to be larger and easier to pull off the card. We need to be more organized with "Greeters" to make sure everyone has a drawing form." We missed the Member name tags.

The sections were confusing for the non-daylily people. Perhaps a different color table cloth for each section might cure this confusion. This would be a good visual. The "Unknowns" were voted best in two sections. Then, it was decided that "unknowns" could not win. A Solution could be that the unknowns need to be shown as "seedlings" or as "display only." Or perhaps, we could have a table just for the unknowns to be exhibited.

It was reported that, "Everyone sat in the lunch room—too long—all day, and did not work the show."

2. List something that went well with the show.

The show was well organized and fun. The food was good. The flowers and all the people that worked went well. The show had nice daylilies. We enjoyed visiting with each other and our guests. The public as well as I and many other members learned. The idea of educating visitors and trying to get new members went well with the show. The public looked interested when members were educating them. One listed that Knowledge, excellent food, learning how to pollinate all went well. The show was planned well with good communication. The voting participation by our visitors went well with the show. They enjoyed being included in the show.

One responder shouted, "NO GROOMING!" This went well with the show

3. List one thing that you learned doing this show.

This unaccredited show has been lots of fun. We saved money without judges and did not have to groom so much. Yet the public did not know the difference. The show was far more restful than an accredited show and I had more time to pick daylilies. There was no pressure.

We learned the difference between tetraploids and diploids, the difference between a poly and a double. We learned how to pollinate and more about seedlings. We learned there are a lot of pretty daylilies out there.

Several added we learned about seed pods, planting, different spiders, and doubles. We learned that we could display an off scape flower. Two profound remarks sum up the what you learned doing this show; one, to promote daylilies in a location that draws people who enjoy gardening, and the other "Flower sex."

Many positive things can come from reviewing feedback sheets about our unaccredited Daylily Show on Saturday, June 7, 2014. Some question the PUBLICITY that was accomplished. The Fort Worth Star-Telegram published show details two Saturdays prior to our show; it was in the Saturday Calendar of Garden Events. The two columns about our show were read by many folks. This newspaper has always printed what they have submitted to them. Star-Telegram serves the Fort Worth/Arlington Metro area with circulation in 4 counties and 14 surrounding counties.

The Weatherford Telegram had information about the Daylily show and its educational direction this year in the column, "In the Kitchen with Dee Dee" every week starting several weeks prior to the show. This column is also on line to all those who have a computer and wish to read it that way. This paper has a circulation of 33,000 people and goes to everyone in Parker County, as well as an insert to all who take the Star Telegram in the Lost Creek neighborhood, (with a 76008 zip code) but actually is in Fort Worth.

We had printed a full page hand-out regarding the "Stars of the Garden" show. (200 copies) These hand-outs were placed at the desk of the Botanic Garden and made available to all members who attended our May meeting. Our show was also advertised at the Regional Meeting in Dallas the week before. We had excellent coverage for our show.

The only source/newspaper that did not, and has not lately printed any N.T.D.S. Garden information, is the Dallas Morning News. That garden event column comes out every Thursday. The information has to be submitted 2 weeks ahead of time. The information was sent in one full month ahead of time. Every newspaper has the right to publish what it chooses based on circulation interests, locations of events, and space available.

The Show was very successful. We received 62 (sixty-two) E-Mail address cards to remind people about our sale in September. This implies that we had about 85 (eighty-five) individuals visit the show. We had at least one person (Family-I think) join. And a large number of people are now growing a daylily in their garden. There were 240 flowers exhibited, many by first time exhibitors. A rumor has come forward that there is a volunteer to lead the show next year, but you know how rumors go.

About the issues raised above, Larger "stars" for voting are available. There are also spots, smiley faces, and several other cute things that could be used. Correction noted. The time for members to arrive is dependent on two points, one is how many plants you are entering, and two is how much grooming you need to do to get them into the show. IF IT IS JUDGED, then time must also be

allotted for the judges to do their thing. The greeters were indeed an oversight of the planners. Correction noted. The color table cloths would be nice. Note, there is a cost for this material, and we have enough now for the next two or three shows. The problem with awarding prizes to the Unknowns was not expected. In an AHS show, it would be forbidden. But this was not an accredited show. We can correct this easily as noted above. The report about people "not working the show" was expected. There is little that can be done about that: that is the way it is in a volunteer organization.

As Show Chair person, I heard several say, "John, you put on a great show." John did NOT put on this show. Those who brought the food, those who brought the flowers, those who worked the show, those who did the teaching, those who kept things organized (when I got so tired I stopped in my tracks), those who did anything and everything to help, YOU ARE THE TEAM WHO PUT ON THIS SHOW. Thank you very much. It was indeed a great show: Thanks to each of YOU.

THE **SHOW WINNERS** are as follows:

Division 1 – On Scape

Section 1 - EXTRA LARGE→ Dee Dee Thompson w/ Neon Embers

Section 2 - LARGE → Ken & Linda Long w/ Sunset Illusion

Section 3 – SMALL→ Nikie Knight w/ Evening Enchantment

Section 4 – MINIATURE → Susan Austin, w/ A Daylily called Yak

Section 5 – DOUBLE → John Turrentine, w/ Joyce Parris Then, Joyce Parris won the "Star of the Show"

So, Shirleen Holt (2nd place) was moved up to first place.

Section 6 – SPIDERS→ John Turrentine w/ Apple Swirl

Section 7 - UFO, → Ken & Linda Long w/ Shake the Mountains

Section 8 - SEEDLINGS,→ Patricia Anne Weller

Section 9 – POLY→ John Turrentine w/ Moose Man

Division 2 – Off Scape→ Michelle Packer

Division 3 – Artistic → Tom Bevel

Division 4 – Photography → Peggy Skinner

John❖

## SUNSHINE REPORT

Ken❖

**MAY HOST/HOSTESS – SOUP/SANDWICH**

Esther Strawn, Margaret Cline, Pan Engel, Connie Taylor,  
Susan Austin, Nickie Knight, Janet Howie, Dee Dee  
Thompson, and Sharon Bartlett

*Thanks!*

**JUNE HOST/HOSTESS – PICNIC AT LONG’S**

**JULY HOST/HOSTESS – NONE**

**AUGUST HOST/HOSTESS – ‘SOMETHING COOL’**

Cathy Koogler, Susan Austin, Nickie Knight, E J Lee, Peggy  
Skinner, Dodie Skrasek, Linda Long, Vernon Wallis, Shirlene  
Holt, and Sharon Bartlett

*Thanks!*



**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**NTDS Meeting @ Ft Worth Botanic Gardens**  
Time 7:00 PM, August 21<sup>st</sup> 2014

**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**

**NTDS Annual sale (with FWIS)**  
FWBG Sept 27<sup>th</sup>, 9am – 5pm

**FWBG Fall Sale**  
NTDS table, S side of grove.  
Oct 11-12, 9am - 2pm

**AHS**  
2014 – Asheville, NC  
2015 – Atlanta, GA

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**Note: Early meeting time, 7:00PM on August 21<sup>st</sup>**

# 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

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

Mail to **Gene Holt**  
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**300 Oak Lane,**  
**Eules, Tx**  
**76039-2306**

In addition to [NorthTexasDaylilySociety.org](http://NorthTexasDaylilySociety.org), we have the alias [NorthTexasDaylilySociety.com](http://NorthTexasDaylilySociety.com). Please note that the Newsletter address has changed on previous pages.

The 'I have a problem/question' address is [admin@northtexasdaylilysociety.org](mailto:admin@northtexasdaylilysociety.org).

My club address is [Jim.Bartlett@northtexasdaylilysociety.org](mailto:Jim.Bartlett@northtexasdaylilysociety.org) while my normal email continues to be [G236007@gmail.com](mailto: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