



# THE GARDEN GATE

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## TUCKER'S TALK

February is upon us and Spring is right around the corner. We have finally started to experience some winter like temperatures but nothing like it should be. Many of your daylilies are probably starting to grow, and with that the soft growth is going to be subjected to insect infestations and fungal diseases (rust) because we haven't had enough cold weather to stop all of the problems. Stay ahead of these issues by spraying and removing any old material that may harbor them. We shouldn't be worried about how the daylilies will perform, they have their season and will still be blooming at that time, although maybe

a little early. I have tulips already blooming, before even some of my earliest daffodils, but that's not unforeseen, just unusual. Bulbs will still be blooming in March, Iris in April, and Daylilies in May. It always thrills me to watch nature figure everything out even when the weather and seasons are crazy.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the meeting. Look for the changes, don't get confused.

And, for the record, **2019 Dues are Due!**  
Tucker ♦

## Secretary's report

14 members, no visitors  
Meeting was called to order at 7:15  
Secretaries and Treasures reports were approved a written  
Reminder to pay both your club and AHS dues as soon as possible if you haven't already.

Daylily Show: June 1, 2019

Dallas show is scheduled for the following day.

Show Chair will be Nicki with some additional help. Kenneth will once again get the judges. Rebecca volunteered to work on the program since she has a copy of last year's. Nicki will

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oversee this year and Anne will learn for next year.

The Johnson County Club will be contacted about participating. They will need to add to the committee.

Next Month's Food: Italian Night  
Meeting was adjourned at 7:34

Rebecca ❖

## READ THIS, LOCATION!

**Our usual meeting room is closed for renovation.**

We will meet at the Board Room in the Restaurant in Botanic Gardens. Follow Old Garden Road from south end of parking lot to intersection with Rock Spring road, Restaurant is on right.

The restaurant itself is closed but they have us in board room.

And, yes, this for February, we do not know where we will be in March, stay tuned!

Rebecca ❖

## Speaker

David Hares II has spent the past 7 years exploring our great country's National Parks and the places in between as part of his on-going journey to photograph all the National Parks. He recently had a 3 month solo exhibit of his work at the Fort Worth Museum of Science and History.

We will take a journey Exploring America using photographs and I will tell stories of the circumstances around some of the photographs as well as the technical aspects of the photographs depending how deep the group wants to go. The Lecture is a journey to explore our great country's National Parks and the places in between.

Susan ❖

## AHS Exhibition Judge training

**WANT TO BE  
An Exhibition Judge?**



**Online Training  
Feb 21, 24, 27**

Free for all current American Daylily Society members!

RSVP to [judgeseducation@daylilies.org](mailto:judgeseducation@daylilies.org). Please note the date of the class you will be attending. The course will be offered via WebEx (an online conferencing tool) and private links to the meeting and practice sessions will be sent once eligibility is confirmed.

What is an exhibition judge?

Exhibition judges are also known as "flower show judges". They judge at accredited ADS flower shows and work with other panels of judges (usually in groups of three) to evaluate various sections of a show as assigned. These judges must maintain active memberships in the ADS, attend two classes, fulfill several pre-requisites and take written exams to become certified. Judges are passionate about daylilies and are held to the highest ethical standards. They are great students themselves, and are representatives of the ADS in every way.

RSVP to [judgeseducation@daylilies.org](mailto:judgeseducation@daylilies.org)

## Cultivar 'Molten Magma'

Hemerocallis 'Molten Magma' is a daylily registered in 1962 by Region 6 member David Flesh. The color of the daylily is listed as "Hot flame self with burnt orange throat." The ADS data team is trying to see if this is correct, because the picture in the ADS

database doesn't look like other pictures that have been seen online.

Eddie Raye Andrews has been asked to look for someone in Region 6 who might know this daylily so they can determine if the photo in the database is correct.

Please respond directly to Eddie Raye if you know this daylily or have a photo of it.

Eddie Raye Andrews  
dera2@sbcglobal.net

**Ray Houston, Reg 6** ❖

## How to protect daylilies from deer

**By Roger Mercer, Correspondent, The Fayetteville Observer**

Dear Roger: How do I keep deer from eating my daylilies and other plants? Do chemicals or hot peppers work? — John, Lillington

Dear John: Deer are big fans of Asian food. They love daylilies, which are native to Asia. They'll eat the whole plant. I prefer just the fresh buds, dipped in sour cream and chives.

I seldom write about deer because there are none here. I don't know why. Bobcats? Overhunting, low food supplies due to sterile soils? Who knows?

But I dealt with deer back when my father lived in Greensboro and grew, along with his neighbors, about 15,000 seedlings a year that I had no room for.

Deer would pull up the newly planted seedlings and eat the roots first. If you've ever eaten daylily roots, you'll know why. They are the best-tasting part of the plant.

Deer also love the flowers and buds. In a garden of my best introductions planted in my brother's yard in Charlotte deer would shear off the tops of the

scapes just as bloom began every year. David never got to see the daylilies I gave him.

He gave up on them. My dad didn't. He got a license to harvest deer on his property near Lake Brandt. The deer ate his apples, pears, grapes, cherries, and other fruits from his orchard. Roasted deer was a real treat, but the few that were killed made no difference in the damage. We finally quit trying to grow daylilies in the Lake Brandt community of Owl's Roost.

The two successful methods of keeping out deer are these:

- Fold 2 x 4-inch wire fencing three times and lay it all the way around your daylily garden. Deer will try to walk through the wire and trip over it. They will get their hooves entangled in it and will be so annoyed, they will avoid the area. Put in a gate to enter the garden. The gate must butt against the fencing. The one downside is that people will trip over the fencing if they are unaware of its presence. Another downside is the difficulty of keeping weeds out of it. You can't mow over it.
- Install 8-foot or 10-foot black plastic deer fencing available from many sources on the Web. This looks much better than you would imagine and it works perfectly. A good gate will complete the effectiveness and add to the beauty.

Beautiful vines can be grown on the fencing. This was the solution we used at the former daylily garden at the Cape Fear Botanical Garden on Eastern Boulevard. The beautiful garden was designed by Linda Sue Barnes. She made it into a historical, teaching and learning garden as well as a place to see some of the best daylilies of all time.

We may need deer fencing for the new and much larger daylily garden at the botanical garden. It is near the entrance to the garden and will be visible from Eastern Boulevard.

As for repellents, they work only briefly, if at all. Deer like peppers almost as much as I do.

# SUNSHINE REPORT

Phil Bledsoe just came home last Friday from the hospital. He had a 7 hour neck surgery. He's doing as well as can be expected but will be required to wear a neck brace for 5 weeks I believe.

Jim❖

## JANUARY HOST/HOESSESS - POT LUCK

Thanks to all the member who, **AGAIN**, provided food form the meeting.

*Thanks so much!*



## FEBRUARY HOST/HOESSESS - ITALIAN

Linda Long, Vernon Wallis, Sharon Bartlett, Nickie Knight, Ann Martin, Susan Austin, Tucker & Rebecca Reed, Cathy Koogler, Ester Strawn, and Rich Miller

*Thanks!*



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**NTDS Meeting @ Ft Worth Botanic Gardens**  
Time 7:00 PM, February 21<sup>st</sup> 2019

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

**Brazosport Meeting @ Lake Jackson Civic Center**  
Time 2:30 PM, March 10, 2019,  
Speaker Dan Hansen from Ladybug Daylilies  
with auction

### Shows n Sales

**AHS Regionals**  
Reg 6, June 27-29, 2019 Albuquerque, NM

**AHS**

# 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) \_\_\_\_\_

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Mailing address \_\_\_\_\_

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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

Linda Long

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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