



# THE GARDEN GATE

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## TUCKER'S TALK

We might be past the Winter Solstice but the cold hands of Winter still has its hands firmly wrapped around us. It's cold outside and the gardens are pretty dormant at this point and if you are like the Reed house, your garden is in desperate need for a cleanup. But that's not going to happen until long underwear isn't needed to be comfortable.

There is good and bad that comes with this cold weather. The good is the dormant (deciduous) daylilies that we all have in our gardens are probably pretty happy and may well perform better for in the coming bloom season.

Another good thing is the reduction of pests and diseases that can't handle the colder temperatures. The bad is the beautiful evergreen daylilies that we have the pleasure of growing most seasons and with that have the pleasure of actually having green plants during the winter have now been beat up and look pretty bad in most cases. Shucks! Now we get to look like all the rest of the daylily growers north of us, blank gardens. Guess we will just have to wait for the Spring explosion.

I'm looking forward to an exciting year as the President of the Club and hope that I can fulfill the position in a way that will make most of you happy.

Tucker❖

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## Secretary's report

### Old Business

- Please pay your club dues and consider joining AHS too. Margaret can take club dues and will give you a receipt. In the past we gave our dues to the Membership VP. But going forward will be giving them to the Treasurer.
- All club members should double check their contact information with Jim. We will be making

sure that the club list is updated and only contains current members (another reason to pay your dues).

- Tarrant Food Bank sent a thank-you note for our holiday gift.
- AHS sent an acknowledgment of our donation in honor of Binion Anderson. IT will be acknowledged in the spring edition of the newsletter. The donation made in honor of Luke Senior Jr. Is listed in the current issue.

### New Business

- We will make a donation of \$100 to AHS in honor of Tom Blevin. Club will cover the floral arrangement for Tom's funeral.
- Daylilies of the Southwest just went out. Linda has not received the extra copies that presidents receive yet but will bring them to the next meeting. This issue has the hybridizers in it. IF you hybridize daylilies, consider submitting pictures.
- New president is Tucker Reed. John is taking over for Janet Von Kohn in programs and Margaret is taking over for Janet Howie.
- Margaret and Janet are working on the Bank issues. They have had some issues regarding the Certificate of Origination. They will give an update at the next meeting.
- John is still looking for pictures of gardens. Send them via email a jpeg.
- Food for next month: crock pots meals/soups and foods that complement them.

Gavel passed to Tucker.

**Rebecca** ❖

## Program

Several of our members have asked, "What is the American Hemerocallis Society?" and

"Why should I want to be a member?"

I searched the AHS web page and found not a program. I requested of the Publication

Department that one be made. And they told me to get busy. The moral here is do not ask for something, you may be the one to answer. The program focuses on What is the American Hemerocallis Society and Region 6. It should be informative to both current members and to those who are not. Please make an effort to be present. There may be several unanswered questions that I will need YOUR help to answer.

**John** ❖

## Flourishing flowers

About 25 years ago Clare Bogard insisted on buying a \$5 pot of Stella de Oro daylilies despite the complaints of her husband, Greg Bogard, who believed buying such a common flower was a waste of money. Since then, however, the Bogards have become garden enthusiasts and have steadily built their collection from that one Stella de Oro into more than 800 varieties of daylilies.



The Bogards, who have been married for 39 years, moved from Wisconsin to Winston-Salem in 1981 before moving into their current Davidson County home in 1991 and beginning their garden.

"It's just a hobby, but it's fun and it's been kind of slowly expanding over the years because both of us worked full time for many years, but now we've both been retired for a while so we've been able to put more effort into it," Mr. Bogard said. "As a consequence, it's kind of growing exponentially now."

The garden is located on the acre behind the Bogards' home in the Arcadia community.

"It's a valley back there," Mr. Bogard said. "It was all wooded and originally we started the garden over

on the right side, but as the trees grew up it started shading. We ended up moving the whole garden to this side of the valley. There's a little stream that runs through there and normally it runs maybe three weeks out of the year total if you added up all the days."

Mrs. Bogard's daylily purchase over two decades ago got Mr. Bogard interested in hybridizing the flowers. Since then, he has collected hundreds of varieties of daylilies and given seeds to people in 11 different countries and 28 different states through the American Hemerocallis Society.

both have had a passion for gardening since an early age. Mrs. Bogard talked about her experience growing up in rural Wisconsin.

"My father was a country doctor and veterinarian so to speak and he used to take me out on the farms," Mrs. Bogard said. "I lived outside basically and as young as I can remember I would get cinder blocks and put mud in them and find seeds and plant them. I didn't know what I was doing, but I just always loved that."

Mr. Bogard, who lived in the top of a three story flat in Chicago until the age of 8, developed his love for plants while working in his grandfather's garden.

"I was interested in plants at a very early age too because my grandfather graduated from the University of Iowa at Ames with a degree in horticulture back then, and he had a florist shop in downtown Chicago that went under when the stock market crashed in 1928," Mr. Bogard said. "He had a garden in the back yard and he encouraged all us kids and our cousins to take care of the garden. So he didn't have to do anything because we did all the watering and the weeding and stuff like that, but it was fun. It was an old-timey garden with holly flax and all the old-timey flowers. It was beautiful."

Mr. Bogard joined the Wisconsin Orchid Society before moving to Winston-Salem and co-founding the Triad Orchid Society in addition to volunteering as the curator of orchids at Reynolda Gardens for 23 years. According to Mr. Bogard, the garden's original orchids were plagued with insects and disease.

"I built the collection from those terrible plants to over 500 orchids in many different species and I was breeding orchids back then," Mr. Bogard said. "Orchids are strange beasts. You can breed them intergenerically, which you can't do with any other living organisms, but for some reason they will cross intergenerically and I created a new genre. When

you create a new genre, you get to name it and I named it after my family. So there's a Bogard aura. It has four different genre mixed together in one plant."

As for Mrs. Bogard, she has taken to raising chickens in addition to taking care of the garden.

"It just started out," Mrs. Bogard said. "We had chickens a million years ago when the kids were little and I couldn't get into that. I was too busy. That was his thing, but since there's nobody around anymore and I was really bored and I heard a bantam crowing for a couple years and I thought, 'You know what? We've got all this land. Why don't I raise some chickens?' That's how it started and I love hatching eggs. I have silky chickens that originated from China."

Both recently retired from Forsyth Medical Center. The Bogards look forward to having more time to take care of and expand their garden.

# SUNSHINE REPORT

Your newsletter editor spent last week in hospital and as a parting gift, was given flu (negative test going in, positive leaving). No, I do not feel 'well', 'ok', or any other positive. I do feel better then when I went in so that tells you how I felt at that time. I will accept any errors in this months issue, just do not expect me to be too upset over them.

Jim❖

## DECEMBER HOST/HOESSESS - CHRISTMAS

Club provides Ham (Margaret Cline) and Turkey (E J Lee), sides by Rich Miller, Vernon Wallis, Joyce Valdez, Nickie Knight, Ester Strawn, Dennis Niles, Cathy Koogler, Sharon Bartlett, Susan Austin, Tucker & Rebecca Reed, Donna Timmons, Rita Baker, Sue Carrizzaro, Bob & Mary Ledeboer, and Ann Bloxham

*Thanks so much!*



## JANUARY HOST/HOESSESS - CROCKPOT LUCK.

Margaret Cline, Cathy Koogler, Ester Strawn, Joyce Valdez, Vernon Wallis, Linda Long, Rebecca & Trucker Reed, Rita Baker, Bob & Mary Ledeboer, E J Lee, Nickie Knight and Dennis Niles(??)

*Thanks!*



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**NTDS Meeting @ Ft Worth Botanic Gardens**  
Time 7:00 PM, January 18<sup>th</sup> 2018

**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-May, Oct-Nov

**Shows n Sales**

**AHS Regionals**

**AHS**  
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) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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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**

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**NTDS VP Membership,**  
**1201 Crockett Dr**  
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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