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RADS Newsletter, June/July 2011

Richmond Area Daylily Society

President's Message

This is going to be a great summer. We've got lots of activities going on this month so be sure to check them out. I really hope to see more of you come out to enter flowers in our flower show. It's also a great way to see the many varieties we all grow.

Happy Gardening,
Paulette Miller

June Garden Activities

We've already seen our first daylilies blooming. If you've got other perennials in your gardens with your daylilies, they are probably blooming too. Although we need to continue to take care of the gardens (weeding, fertilizing), let's not forget to take time to enjoy them. Do you have a nice seating area near your plants?

June 4 Grooming Clinic

We will have a "Grooming Clinic" offered by Michael Miller one week prior to the Flower Show. June 4th. This is going to be held at the Miller Garden at 10:00 am. If you are interested in entering flowers at the flower show, this will be a great event to attend. Michael has lots of great tips.

June 11 2011 Flower Show

Our annual daylily flower show is going to be held a bit earlier this year. *(Sometimes that's the way scheduling works.)* We are excited to see what blooms will be entered this year with this change. We are also excited about our theme this year. "Nature's Most Beautiful."

Consider entering a flower arrangement in the Design section. If you want to do this, you'll need the class information ahead of time and you need to pre-register for this division. All of the classes in this division are related to the theme. Contact Judy Durant if you want to enter (804) 746-7226. *(See page 3 for a description of the design classes.)*

June 25 Garden Judge Workshop 2

Have you thought about becoming a garden judge? If you are a garden judge, do you need your 5-year reappointment? We are fortunate to have RADS member John Ware certified as an instructor for this clinic. We will hold the clinic at John Ware's home at 10:00 am on June 25th. This is a great opportunity for us since these clinics are usually only offered during regional or national meetings. If you need directions, please call John at 804-746-8160.

Being a garden judge gives you a voice in the AHS awards and honor program. If you like to visit daylily gardens and/or attend regional or national meetings, you are a perfect candidate for this position. As a garden judge, you can also expect to learn a lot more about great daylilies! Think about it.



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QUIZ: Can you name the pictured daylilies? HINT: In honor of the National Meeting in Baton Rouge all the daylilies have the word 'CAJUN' as part of the name.

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\$8.00 family

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RADS Web Site
<http://myrads.com>

Activities for 2011:

- June 3 – Grooming Clinic at Miller Garden
- June 11 - Richmond Flower Show
- June 25 – Garden Judge Workshop 2 Clinic at Ware Garden
- July 15-17 – Region 3 Meeting in Pittsburgh, PA (see last page for more information)
- July – RADS Annual Picnic and Plant Auction; Hostess *Judy Durant*.
- August – Plant Swap; Host: *David Metzger*
- September 3 – 11:00 am Meeting at Wagner Bldg
- October 8 – Annual Banquet at Wyndham Hotel; Speaker – Paul Owen
- October 22-23- Lilyhemmer
- November 12 – 11:00 am Thanksgiving Meeting at Wagner Bldg.
- December – Christmas Party

Welcome New Members!

It's always exciting to have new members join in the quest for fun with daylilies! If you need any clarification on any activities, feel free to contact any of the officers listed. Welcome to RADS!

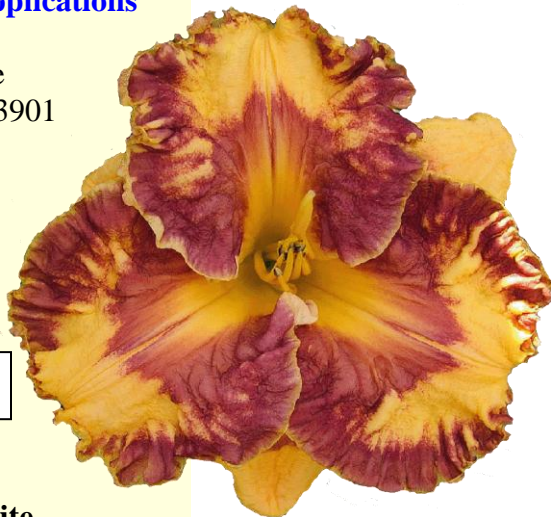
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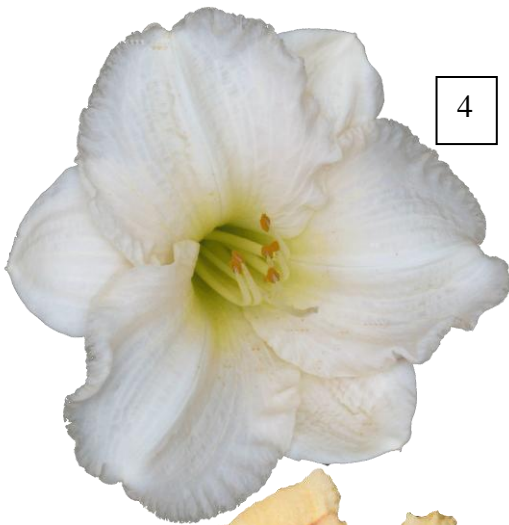
Breaking News:

The President-Elect of the AHS will take office on January 1, 2012 along with all the other officers, new chairs, etc. **Julie Covington** from Region 3 is the new President-Elect!! Exciting news.

Newsletter Format:

To keep costs down, email recipients will receive a text version and the color version with pictures will be posted on the RADS website and can be easily viewed and/or downloaded if you choose.





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FLOWER SHOW DESIGN - "Nature's Most Beautiful"

Section 1: "The richness I achieve comes from nature – the source of my inspiration" — Claude Monet. Eligible for the AHS Tricolor rosette (red, blue and yellow) and AHS Tricolor Medal provided the winner is an AHS member or joins at the show. All plant material used in design must be FRESH. Staged on tables with white coverings. The use of other design components, including backgrounds, underlays and accessories, is the designer's choice. Space allowance is 22W x 24D. Height is designer's choice

Class A: "Nature gives to every time and season some beauties of its own" – Charles Dickens. Traditional Mass Design incorporating the use of daylilies.

Class B: "Each flower is a soul opening out to nature" – Gérard de Nerval. Stretch Design. A Creative Design in two units, one smaller than the other, having a prominent component connecting the two units and referred to as the "stretch component".

Class C: "Those who contemplate the beauty of the earth find reserves of strength that will endure as long as life lasts" – Rachel Carson. Parallel Design. A Creative Design in which three or more groupings are placed in a strong parallel manner. Parallel direction may be vertical, horizontal or diagonal.

Section 2: "In all things of nature there is something of the marvelous" – Aristotle. Eligible for the AHS Designer's Choice rosette (purple). Exhibitor has complete freedom to choose plant materials and other components. Staged on tables with white coverings. The use of other design components, including backgrounds, underlays and accessories, is the designer's choice. Space allowance is 22W x 24D. Height is designer's choice.

Class D: "In the beauty of nature lies the spirit of hope" – Author Unknown. Transparency Design. A creative design including see-through element(s) that permit some components to be viewed through others.

Class E: "Nothing is more beautiful than the loveliness of the woods before sunrise" – George Washington Carver. Creative Vertical Line Design using decorative wood..

Class F: "The amen of nature is always a flower" – Oliver Wendell Holmes. Design in the oriental manner.

AHS Region 3 Summer Regional Meeting 2011

Celebrating Gold - Celebrating the 50th Anniversary of Region 3

July 15-17, 2011 in Washington, PA

You are personally invited to attend a celebration of 50 years of friends, flowers, and fun as the Pittsburgh Iris and Daylily Society will host the 2011 AHS Region 3 Meeting and Garden Tour. We look forward to seeing you in western Pennsylvania during peak daylily bloom to enjoy the beauty of our gardens and to enjoy the history and heritage of our area!

Registration: Register by June 15th to get the \$125 adult rate. Youth rate is \$75.

Hotel – The DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Pittsburgh – Meadow Lands is a beautiful little hotel. In addition to the meeting facilities there is free parking, outdoor pool, workout facility, and a great restaurant. Our hotel is conveniently located in Washington County and easily accessible from Interstates 70 and 79.

Washington County, PA – Take some extra time and explore some of our area's many attractions: Tanger Outlet Center, PA Trolley Museum, Duncan Miller Glass Museum, The Lemoyne House, Covered Bridges, and Canonsburg Antique Stores.

Gardens – Our Saturday Tour Gardens showcase daylilies of all ages, from seedlings to varieties seen 50+ years ago. An optional Friday tour is being planned for people arriving early to the area.

- **Hart's Daylilies:** this beautiful garden features over 1000 varieties of daylilies and beds of seedlings under evaluation and includes the Region 3 Dan Tau Seedling Competition bed. **AHS Display Garden.**
- **Southern Cross Gardens:** the Rowles' garden features a wide variety of specimen trees and plant material in

addition to over 800 daylilies and 700 varieties of daffodils. **AHS Display Garden.**

- **Enos Family Fourth Street Garden:** this new **AHS Display Garden** features a hilly terrain of over 700 daylily cultivars and beds of seedlings under evaluation.
- **The Jablonski's Garden:** this small suburban lot features over 350 varieties of irises and daylilies artistically arranged with a wide variety of beautiful annuals and perennials.
- **Heavenly Sunset Gardens:** the Taylors lovingly tend this hillside **AHS Display Garden** which includes over 580 varieties of daylilies, with a special collection of spider and unusual form daylilies.

Banquets – Two evening banquets, with Saturday's banquet featuring our speaker, **Sydney Eddison**. Ms. Eddison is the author of seven books including "*Gardening for a Lifetime: How to Garden Wiser as You Grow Older*" (Timber Press) and "*A Passion for Daylilies*". She has received the National Garden Club Award of Excellence. Her garden has been featured in magazines and on television. A former scene designer and drama teacher, Ms. Eddison lectures widely and continues to teach at the New York Botanical Garden.

Judges Clinics and Workshops – Please consider becoming an AHS Garden Judge or Exhibition Judge.

Boutique/Plant Sale – Find fabulous less expensive daylilies and other garden items for sale, and of course, the Friday night **Region 3 Auction** – our primary fundraiser for our Region 3 **Fanfare**. Both promise to be great fun and a chance to acquire some great daylilies at great prices!

Registration form:

<http://www.daylilies.org/2011Files/2011-Region-3-Registration-Form.pdf>

ANSWERS to QUIZ: 1 Cajun Christmas; 2 Cajun Lagniappe; 3 Ledgewood's Cajun Carnival; 4 Cajun Sneaux; 5 Beautiful Cajun Morning; 6 Cajun Spice; 7 Cajun Gambler