

RADS Newsletter, December 2012/January 2013

Richmond Area Daylily Society

President's Message

Another year of activities is planned for our club! Invite your friends and neighbors to come to a meeting. We need some volunteers for a few of the events. Please check your schedule and see where you can help out. We need you.

Happy Gardening,
Paulette Miller

Annual RADS Dues:

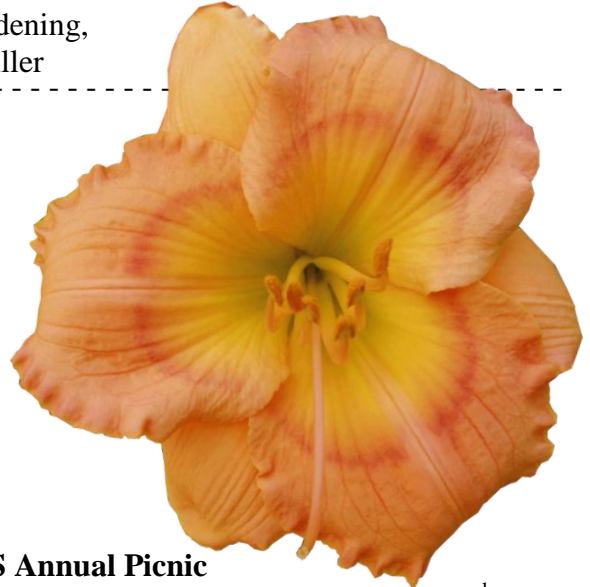
It's time to send in your annual dues for RADS. Please send your check made out to "RADS" for \$5 single or \$8 family to Don Merkle, 711 First Avenue, Farmville, VA, 23901.

Michael Miller Wins Ophelia Taylor Award

Kudos to RADS member **Michael Miller** for the huge accomplishment of winning the very coveted Ophelia Taylor Award last year at the RADS Flower Show. It is a very tough award to win and in fact Michael Miller was the only person in the AHS to win this last year. To win this award, the exhibitor must enter 5 daylily flowers on scape and each one must score 95 points or higher. Not only did Michael do this, but he did it with all his own introductions. His entries included SMALL WORLD LOVE IN THE AIR (2010), SMALL WORLD BABY TALK (2011), SMALL WORLD HALF PINT (2007), SMALL WORLD TROPICAL TREAT (2010), and SMALL WORLD TOO CUTE (2010). This is an amazing achievement. Barbara Kirby, the AHS Exhibitions Chair, wrote a very nice article about Michael in The Daylily Journal, Winter 2012. Be sure to read it. Way to go Michael!

2013 Flower Show

Please reserve June 15th on your schedule so you can participate in the 2013 Flower Show. There is no fee for your entries and you can bring as many as you want. It is always a fun time for everyone.



RADS Annual Picnic

Our annual picnic is scheduled for June 22nd. We need a member to volunteer their home and garden for this activity! Please contact Paulette if you are willing to do this.

RADS Annual Plant Swap

We have scheduled August 17th for our annual plant swap. Again, we need a volunteer to host this event. Please contact Paulette.

Member News:

RADS member **Angelo Franceschi** is fighting cancer. He had major brain surgery last fall and is currently undergoing chemo treatments. Please remember Angelo and his family in your prayers.

Paulette Miller's brother is still undergoing radiation treatments. Please keep this family in your prayers as well.

On a good note, **Judy and Griffin Durant** are expecting a new grandchild soon! Many blessings upon them.

QUESTION: One of the daylily entries Michael Miller exhibited for the Ophelia Taylor Award is pictured on this page. Which one is it?

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\$5.00 single,
\$8.00 family

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<http://myrads.com>

Club Activities for 2013:

- February 9: 11:00 am Chili Meeting at Wagner Building. Guest Speaker: **Mary Jane Meadows** of Westbourne Daylilies
- March 1-3: Home and Garden Show at Richmond Raceway.
- April 21 (Sunday) 11:00 am. Meeting and Plants for Members auction at Wagner Bldg
- May 2-4, Plant sale at Lewis Ginter Botanical Gardens
- June 15 Daylily Flower Show at Lewis Ginter Botanical Gardens
- June 22: 11:00 am. RADS Picnic (Location TBA)
- June 28-30: AHS Region 3 Summer Meeting in Dover, DE
- July 24-27: AHS National Convention in Minneapolis, MN
- August 17: 11:00 am RADS Plant Swap (Location TBA)
- September 7: 11:00 am Plant auction at Wagner Bldg.
- September 20-21: Plant Sale at Lewis Ginter Botanical Gardens
- October 5: 11:00 am Fall Luncheon – Guest speaker **Bill Waldrop** from Kennesaw Mountain Daylilies
- October 19-20: (Tentative) Region 3 Fall Daylily Festival Lillyhemmer, Camp Hill, PA
- November 16: 11:00 am Thanksgiving Meeting at the Wagner Bldg (Program TBA)

Newsletter Format:

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Note from the Newsletter Editor

I apologize for getting this newsletter out so late. It should have come out in December. Since I had already put together a Christmas daylily color article, I decided to go ahead and leave it in even though it is now January. Again, sorry I'm so late. I'll get back on track in February!

Daylilies Names for Christmas

When we think about Christmas, the color that comes to mind is red. That must also be the thoughts with hybridizers that give daylilies the word 'Christmas' in the name.



The color red surrounded by spicy Louisiana flair contributes to a **CAJUN CHRISTMAS**.

BRIGHT CHRISTMAS is a bright red color that certainly fits with the ideal Christmas color.



Any little red gems I get as a Christmas gift can be called a **CHRISTMAS RUBY**.



Spreading the news of a great beauty in the garden would certainly be a measure of **CHRISTMAS TIDINGS**.

A holiday fireplace would be bare without (SPACECOAST) **CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS**.



A **FLAMENCO CHRISTMAS** would most likely involve a beautiful Spanish flamenco dress full of flairs and ruffles.



CHRISTMAS BELLS would most likely involve a beautiful Spanish flamenco dress full of flairs and ruffles.

