



# Wisconsin Daylily Society, Inc

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A not for profit organization promoting the enjoyment, awareness, and propagation of the genus *Hemerocallis*

## MADISON AREA HYBRIDIZERS SHOW AND TELL

By Jane Gahlman

Five local hybridizers will share their secrets for success (well, maybe not all of their secrets!) at our first meeting of 2006 starting at 1PM on Sunday, January 22 at Olbrich Gardens.

Bill Powell of Epiphany Farm, Linda Ball of Plum Hill Farm Nursery, John Sheehan of Fitchward Garden, Jean Bawden of Earthspirit Farm and Lloyd Ravet have agreed to give us a brief description of their hybridization programs and show us some of their latest introductions and promising new seedlings. They have all been working very hard collecting pollen and making crosses during the early morning hours of peak daylily bloom times. Then they still had the time consuming tasks of labeling all of their crosses, keeping extensive records, collecting and starting seeds, lining out seedlings, and then keeping their fingers crossed and hoping for the best until the new seedlings bloom. Just thinking about all the time and effort involved is overwhelming, but for them it is truly a labor of love. And all we have to do is sit back and enjoy the fruits of their labors, So please come to see what's new in daylilies in the Madison area and show your support for our local hybridizers!

I hope you had a wonderful Thanksgiving and I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year!

## CALLING ALL AMATEUR PHOTOGRAPHERS!!

Find your three best daylily photos from last summer and enter them in our club's first annual Photo Contest! The pictures can be of daylily clumps, individual flowers or of daylilies in the landscape.

Conrad Wrzesinski has agreed to collect your entries and compile them onto his computer. At the February meeting all members present will be able to view the pictures, and choose the winning entries. There will be prizes for the winners.

Here's what you need to do. If you have digital images, send them as attachments in an e-mail to Conrad at [conradw@danenet.wictp.org](mailto:conradw@danenet.wictp.org). If you are still using film, you will need to take the negatives to a processor (Walgreens, Shopko, Walmart, etc.), have them put your pictures on a CD, and then mail that to Conrad at 3010 Elm Lane, Middleton, WI 53562. YOUR DEADLINE IS FEBRUARY 1ST! That gives you the month of January to decide on the 3 best and get them to Conrad.



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## Calendar of Events 2006

January 22, (Sunday) Olbrich 1-4 pm  
"Madison Area Hybridizers Show & Tell"  
February 10-12 Garden Expo, Alliant Center  
February 23-26 Winter Symposium, Cleveland  
February 26, (Sunday) Olbrich 1-4 pm  
March 16 (Thursday) Olbrich TBA  
April 23 (Sunday) Olbrich TBA  
May 18 (Thursday) Olbrich TBA  
June 25, (Sunday) Garden Party at Norma Briggs's  
Home in Oregon  
July ????? Daylily Garden Tour  
July 13-16 National Convention, Long Island, NY  
July 21-23 Regional Summer Meeting, Cleveland  
July 30, (Sunday) Auction/Adoption Potluck  
Picnic  
August 12-13 Daylily Plant Sale, Olbrich  
October 21 (Saturday) Annual Meeting with Jamie  
Gossard, Fitchburg Community Center.  
**Check our website for updates. There will also be  
a mailing in early February with further details.**

## **FLOWERS IN FEBRUARY!! GARDEN EXPO IS COMING TO TOWN!**

Plan to break out of hibernation for a visit to the 2006 annual Garden Expo to be held once again at the Alliant Expo Center on February 10, 11, & 12. It always feels and smells sooo good to be among flowers again!

Each year our booth has generated many new members plus lots of interest in our Daylily Plant Sale. That's mainly due to the enthusiasm shown, and the welcome extended by, WDS members staffing our booth. When one loves the daylily as we do, it's hard not to be enthusiastic!

Chris Zeltner will again be looking for help to set up and take down the booth, and to sell the WDS spirit throughout the weekend. Please give her a call at 608-873-5257 or email her at [zeltner@chorus.net](mailto:zeltner@chorus.net), to let her know when you can help.

## **WDS SHARES IT'S WEALTH IN 2005**

The Wisconsin Daylily Society gave donations totaling more than \$5,000 in the year 2005. This included:

\$1,500 to Olbrich Gardens in thanks for the support they offer us throughout the year.

\$1,500 to West Madison Agricultural Research Station for the care they give to our display beds throughout the year.

\$1,000 to AHS Region 2 to help defray the cost of printing the color newsletter.

\$500 to AHS National.

\$1,321 to the Jenni & Kyle Preserve to build a kiosk in this very special park.

*Rhea Stangel-Maier from Dane County Parks sent us the following message:*

The money that WDS donated to the Jenni and Kyle preserve from proceeds of your annual Daylily Sale are greatly appreciated. This donation will be used at Jenni & Kyle Preserve to help pay for the expense of the Kiosk. This will be a three sided kiosk. One side will list the donors which helped make this park a reality, the 2nd side will have the story of how the park came into being - the story of Jenni & Kyle and the 3rd side will list information related to park rules and guidelines. And yes, Dane County will match the funds the WDS donated for the development of Jenni & Kyle.

## **AND THE RECIPIENT FOR 2006 WILL BE...**

At our Annual Meeting the membership voted to send 5% of our sale proceeds in 2006 to the Wisconsin Women's Health Foundation. Established in 1997 by Former First Lady Sue Ann Thompson, this is the only statewide non-profit organization in Wisconsin whose mission focuses entirely on women's health.

Their mission is:

- \* To reach all women with the information, opportunity, and support they need to be healthy;
- \* To encourage women to become advocates for their own health;
- \* to improve the overall quality of life for women and their families.

## **CHECK IT OUT! THERE'S LOTS TO SEE ON THE WDS WEBSITE**

*By Conrad Wrzesinski*

Mary Wrzesinski, the Wisconsin Daylily Society webmaster, recently updated the WDS site ([www.wisdaylilysoc.org](http://www.wisdaylilysoc.org)). Visitors can now see pictures from the WDS Potluck, Auction and Adoption Programs; the Annual WDS Daylily Sale at Olbrich Gardens; the 2005 Annual Meeting; and the WDS Top Ten Daylily Favorites for 2005.

A copy of the of the award winning Wisconsin Daylily Society Newsletter can also be downloaded from our website in pdf format. Adobe Acrobat Reader, which is free, is required to view pdf files. If you do not have Acrobat Reader, a link to the Adobe web site is also available from the WDS web site.

The WDS web site is becoming increasingly popular. For August, September and October the average monthly number of visitors to the WDS web site was 3,703. August had the highest number of pages visited with 4,409. These statistics are from Berbee Information Systems, who hosts the WDS web site.

The WDS daylily web site still has daylily growing tips, membership information, a calendar of events and meeting announcements. Links to the American Hemerocallis Society and Region Two web sites are included. Daylily photos, information about daylilies and links to daylily nurseries and other daylily organizations can be accessed through a link to Charlotte's Daylily Diary. The latest information on daylily rust can also be accessed through a link to Sue Bergeron's web site. For other garden information links to Olbrich Botanical Gardens, Allen Centennial Gardens, University of Wisconsin Department of Entomology Insect and Diagnostic Lab and the Urban Horticulture web site are also included. Information on registered daylilies (descriptions, hybridizers, year of introduction, crosses if known, etc.) can be accessed through a link to Tinker's Garden Daylily Database.

Keep checking the WDS web site for the latest information updates. If you have any questions or suggestions, email the Webmaster, Mary Wrzesinski, through the link found at the bottom of the Wisconsin Daylily Society home page.

### **MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL**

***If your membership expires at the end of 2005, a renewal form is included in your copy of this issue. Please renew today. (Check or WIDS dollars accepted.)***

### **EUREKAS ARE HERE!**

Jim Fitzgerald has a EUREKA for you - if you ordered one, of course! If you can wait until the January meeting to pick yours up, he will have them there. If you can't wait that long, get in touch with Jim (608-834-6082) or [jmfitz@aol.com](mailto:jmfitz@aol.com) to make other arrangements. As usual, they are gorgeous!!

By the way, if you have changed your mind and want one after you see ours, he tells me that he has 3 extra copies. The cost is \$27.00 each.

## TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT

## WDS TOP TEN FAVORITES AND THE WINNERS ARE.....

By Conrad Wrzesinski

TOTAL ON HAND 10-24-04		\$30,604.93
Checking Balance	\$12,487.23	
CD At Associated Bank	5,000.00	
CD At Anchor Bank	5,000.00	
Money Market At Associated Bank	8,067.27	
<b>INFLOWS</b>		
Annual Meeting Income 2004-05	196.00	
Calendar Income 2004-05	399.00	
CD Interest 2005	116.35	
Daylily Shirt Income 2005	217.05	
Eureka Income 2005	1,179.00	
Governor's Mansion Income 2005	3,722.25	
Labels Income 2004-05	65.00	
Membership Dues 2005	865.00	
Money Market Interest 2005	11.10	
Plant Auction Income 2005	1,718.00	
Plant Sale Income 2005	26,614.90	
<b>TOTAL INFLOWS</b>		\$35,103.65
<b>OUTFLOWS</b>		
Adoption Plants 2006	10.00	
AHS Promotional Expense 2005	24.00	
Annual Meeting Expense 2004-05	1,302.78	
Audit Fee 2004	125.00	
Bank Printing Fee 2004	17.50	
Calendar Expense 2005	409.68	
Daylily Shirt Expense 2005	236.18	
Daylily Show Expense 2003	400.00	
Donation Expense 2005	5,621.00	
Door Prizes Expense 2005	258.00	
Eureka Expense 2004-05	1,729.57	
Garden Expo Expense 2005-06	407.07	
Garden Party Expense 2005	470.50	
Garden Tour Expense 2005	380.57	
Governor's Mansion Expense 2005	4,146.55	
Historian Photo Expense 2005	250.00	
Meeting Expense 2005	293.37	
Memorial Expense 2005	400.00	
Newsletter Expense 2005	454.95	
Office Supplies 2004-05	89.99	
Plant Adoption Expense 2005-06	1,545.87	
Plant Auction Expense 2005	606.12	
Plant Sale Expense 2005	7,327.96	
Postage 2005	385.40	
Printing Expense 2004-05	564.01	
Renew Web Site Expense 2005	134.91	
Speaker Expense Program 2004-05	1,810.00	
Summer Meeting Expense 2008	85.80	
<b>TOTAL OUTFLOWS</b>		\$29,486.74
<b>TOTAL ON HAND 10-19-05</b>		
Checking Balance	17,222.44	
CD at Associated Bank	5,000.00	
CD at M & I Bank	5,000.00	
Money Market at Associated Bank	8,079.39	
<b>TOTAL ON HAND 10-19-05</b>		\$35,444.48

In the latest Wisconsin Daylily Society Top Ten Favorites Poll conducted at the annual meeting, RUBBY SPIDER, PRIMAL SCREAM and MOONLIT MASQUERADE tied for first place. RUBY SPIDER was also the top pick in the 2005 Region 2 Popularity Poll. BELLA LUGOSI, which placed seventh in last years Top Ten Favorites came in next. PRIMAL SCREAM, winner of the 2004 Stout Medal, placed third. Four new daylilies made the WDS Top Ten Favorites. The four new favorites included: RED VOLUNTEER (Oakes – 1984) in 6th place, SILOAM DOUBLE CLASSIC (Henry – 1985) in 7th place, ED BROWN (Salter – 1994) in 8th place and LILTLING LAVENDER (Childs – 1973) rounded out the list in 10th place. FOOLED ME, the 2005 Stout Silver Medal Winner, placed 11th in the WDS Top Ten Favorites.

Here's the complete list of the WDS Top Ten.

1. RUBY SPIDER Stamile - 1991
1. PRIMAL SCREAM Hanson - 1994
1. MOONLIT MASQUERADE Salter – 1992
4. BELLA LUGOSI Hanson - 1995
5. STRAWBERRY CANDY Stamile – 1989
6. RED VOLUNTEER Oakes – 1984
7. SILOAM DOUBLE CLASSIC Henry – 1985
8. ED BROWN Salter – 1994
9. BARBARA MITCHELL Pierce – 1984
10. LILTLING LAVENDER Childs – 1973

A total of 64 ballots were cast with 170 different daylilies receiving at least one vote. Even STELLA DE ORO (Jablonski – 1975) received a vote. Favorites among the write in votes were WHEN BEARS FLY (Gossard - 2003), CONDILLA (Grooms - 1987), QUEEN KATHLEEN (Doorakian – 2003), TIGER'S EYE (Jack Carpenter - 1990) and FIRE KING (Benz 1991).

*Editor's Note: A BIG thank you to Conrad for seeing to it that we have a chance to vote, and for tallying up the results. Also, be sure to check out all the pictures of the winners on our WDS website.*

## AHS Region 2 Winter Symposium February 23, 24, 25, 26, 2006

As usual, Curt Hanson has again put together an entertaining, knowledgeable panel of speakers for the annual winter meeting to be held in Cleveland in 2006. The list includes David Kirchhoff, Don Jerabek, Allen McLain, Melanie Vassallo, Dave Mussar, Linda Agin, and many others. Watch the Region 2 website (a link is on our own website) for further details and a schedule of events. You can also obtain a Registration Form on their website or from John Sheehan.

John goes every year and always returns full of excitement. Of course, seeing all those slides of daylilies in the middle of February would make me excited too! John sees the event as a wonderful opportunity to meet and chat with many of the major hybridizers we hear so much about. He's hoping you will join him in Cleveland to share in the excitement.

**THE NEWEST ON THE NEW BOARD**

*Wilma Brouwer-Herwig was recently elected to our Board. Following her first Board meeting she had this to say:*

First of all, I'd like to thank all those who voted for me at our great Annual Meeting.

My first board meeting was a real eye-opener. As a club member who attended WDS functions but did not have to plan and co-ordinate all the myriad components of these events, it was easy to believe that little elves did the prep work to make each "do" a success. As a Board member, I quickly saw with complete clarity that it was the seven hard-working and determined people I was surrounded by, not the seven dwarves, who actually layed the groundwork for each event. I had become one of these planners who do the time consuming and often unseen footwork so that our dedicated membership not only has direction and leadership but also enjoyable, interesting activities to partake in. Not everyone has the time, willingness, or inclination to take on the responsibilities of board duties. It's a serious commitment that keeps our club running smoothly. Therefore, the next time you talk to a past or current Board member, please take the time to extend a thank you for a job well done. Without those who step up to serve as leaders, all our wonderful and willing volunteers' efforts would devolve into chaotic and ultimately fruitless endeavors.

Thank you to all who have served thus far. Now here is the newest Board roster:

President - Jane Gahlman

Vice President - Jane Percy

Treasurer - Jim Fitzpatrick

Secretary - Wilma Brouwer-Herwig

Members at large - Kay Allen, Terri Maliszewski-Kane, Phyllis Sanner, John Sheehan

Equally valuable in keeping our events organized and on-track are the people who chair our committees. The 2006 list consists of the following:

Newsletter - Rosemary Kleinheinz

Membership - Gene Dewey

Display Beds - Tom & Rosemary Kleinheinz

Hospitality - Terri Maliszewski-Kane

Webmasters - Conrad & Mary Wrzesinski

Historian - Judy Ravet

Guest Speakers - John Sheehan, Hiram Percy

Garden Expo - Chris Zeltner

Garden Party - Vern Lowell, Terri Maliszewski-Kane

Home Garden Tour - Wilma Brouwer-Herwig

Region 2 Bus Trip to Cleveland - Gene Dewey

Auction/Adoption Plant & Potluck Picnic - John

Sheehan, Jane Gahlman, Wilma Brouwer-Herwig

Annual Sale - Tom & Rosemary Kleinheinz

Annual Meeting - John Sheehan

Lastly, a big round of appreciation needs to be given to our vast, helpful, fun membership. Without you, all of the efforts of the people listed above would be pointless. You are the ones that make it all worthwhile.

**DAYLILIES**

*What do the daylilies do at night  
While the rest of the world is sleeping tight?  
They leap out of the ground,  
And they frolic around;  
They kick up their heels,  
And they turn cartwheels.  
That's what the daylilies do at night.*



*What do they do when the day has fled,  
And people like us have gone to bed?  
They run down to the park  
Hand in hand in the dark  
Fall down on the grass  
And make love en masse  
That's what they do when the day has fled.*



*Pray do not scorn this happy flower  
That makes the most of every hour.  
You, too, would dance the night away  
Knowing you'd bloom for but a day.*

*Federick Lawrence Keeffe (1915-2004)*

*With thanks from Gene Dewey*

**ANNUAL MEETING NOTES**

Among the 85 folks present for our Annual Meeting in October was a very special guest, Dorothea Boldt, of New Orleans, Louisiana. She is a past president of AHS and a winner of the Helen Field Fischer Gold Medal Award for outstanding service to AHS. She also had the distinction of being the only New Orleans refugee at our meeting! Dorothea was especially pleased to see her long-time friend, Hiram Percy. What a charming lady!

Dorothea was equally pleased to be able to hear our speakers, Jeff and Elizabeth Salter from Rolling Woods Garden in Eustis, Florida. Actually we all enjoyed a wonderful presentation of their newest introductions - and some exciting babies still to be introduced to the world.

Jeff breeds with tets and looks for tall plants and large flowers, usually with lots of beautiful, ruffled edges. Among the "ah's" were BLISSFUL BLACKBERRY PIE, HALLOWEEN TREAT, and HOLY GUACAMOLE.

Elizabeth focuses on small dips and tets, breeding for eyes, patterns, edges, and even little spiders. She likes the little ones since they tend to have large bud count and bloom over a longer period of time. EASY ON THE EYES and CIRCLE IN THE SAND look like she's even coming very close to blue eyes.

They do combine their efforts and when the latest seedling crop blooms, to quote Elizabeth, "If the bloom is big, it's Jeff's; if it's little, it's mine; and if it's in the middle we fight over it!"

We were shown a glimpse of their daughter Alex's seedlings. WOW! She's definitely following in her parents' footsteps. One of these days we will surely see outstanding introductions by Salter, A.

## Organizational Meeting for the AHS Region 2 2008 Summer Meeting (Committee Chairpersons) 29-Nov-05

*By John Sheehan*

On Tuesday, 29-Nov-05 the WDS Committee Chairpersons for the 2008 Region 2 Summer Meeting got together to discuss what progress had been made since our initial Organizational Meeting held in the fall of 2004. The 2008 event will be held from Friday, July 18th to noon, Sunday, July 20th, 2008.

Reports were made by many of the committee chairpersons. Event Chairman, John Sheehan, announced that all daylily plants to be given out to meeting registrants as gift plants (aka bus plants) were now lined out at the Powells' Garden. All of these plants were introduced by Wisconsin hybridizers and were either purchased by the WDS or donated to us by Roy Klehm. The goal is that every registrant will receive a double fan of MAD CITY BLUSH (about 200 fans donated by Roy Klehm this past summer) and, if possible, a double fan of another "Wisconsin" daylily to each.

John reported in behalf of Guest Plant Chairpersons Rosemary & Tom Kleinheinz that about half of the Guest Plants were already distributed to the beds of 2008 Bus Tour Gardens; the remainder will be received in the spring of 2006. Guest Plants are newish plants which will be on display in bus tour gardens to highlight the newer daylily introductions of Region 2 Hybridizers. For the most part they were donated by Region 2 Hybridizers. Some were bought from Roy Klehm at \$5 per triple fan (a great buy)! All should be in clump form by 2008.

Lloyd Ravet announced that the 2008 bus tour gardens have been selected. On Saturday, July 19th, the gardens of Karen Watson-Newlin & Rob Newlin; Phyllis and Don Sanner; Hiram & Jane Percy; and Donna & John Sheehan will be visited. On Sunday morning, July 20th, the garden of Rosemary & Tom Kleinheinz and the garden at the Governor's Mansion will be visited.

Breakfast will be served at the hotel on Saturday and Sunday mornings before the busses head out to the gardens. It was decided by Garden Treats Co-Chairperson Eleanor Rodini that since breakfast was being served before the folks boarded the busses, the garden treats would be light. Small bottles of water were suggested as the best way to keep guests hydrated.

Bargain Plant Co-chairpersons, Ruth Horrall and June Johnson discussed plans to solicit local WDS Members for inexpensive plants to be sold to Meeting Attendees. Detailed plans for labeling the plants were discussed.

Auction Co-Chairperson Martha Maxwell reported that it might be best to hire a professional auctioneer to handle the auction rather than depend on our "in house" auctioneers who have done such a great job at our recent summer picnic auctions.

Gene Dewey reported on the very efficient bidding system used at the recent AHS National Convention in Cincinnati. The auctioneer solicits bids at a reasonable opening value. Those willing to buy the plant at that opening bid raise their hands and keep them raised. The auctioneer then raises the value and when

the value gets too high, individuals lower their hands. The auctioneer raises the bid value until only one person has his hands remaining up. That person is the successful high bidder. This process speeded up the bidding process and was very popular in Cincinnati.

The auction plants needed for this event will be garnered from generous daylily hybridizers from all over the country.

Englerth Bed Chairperson Karen Watson-Newlin reported that the bed is ready to go and that several Region 2 Hybridizers have sent plants; others will be doing so in the summer of 2006. If YOU have an unregistered daylily seedling that you would like to send to Karen to be among those judged as the best Region 2 Seedling of 2008, please contact her.

Carrol Schiller, Boutique Chairperson, will be contacting the most popular of the Boutique Vendors from the most recent Region 2 Summer Meetings to see if they would like to sell their wares here in 2008. Dan and Jackie Bachman were mentioned as a perennial favorite. When Carrol has commitments from vendors, she will request that Hotel Accommodations Chair Jane Percy arrange for a suitable room at the hotel.

Carrol Schiller, as "Prizes Handed out on the Bus" Chairperson, described the great luck she has had finding perfect bus door-prizes that folks will be happy to receive (and that she bought for bargain prices).

Janet Gordon, the Garden Judge and Exhibition Judges Clinics Chairperson, was not able to attend the meeting; however, she did report via email of the great progress she has made getting her committee's plans going. Janet has arranged for instructors for the garden judges clinics. She has also found instructors for the second class for exhibition judges and is looking for instructors for the first class as well as finding folks who would fill-in if necessary. Janet reminded us that she would be needing flowers on the scapes and new, non-introduced flowers for use in the Exhibition Judges Classes.

Jane Percy, Hotel Accommodations/Food Service Chairperson reported that she has begun preliminary searching for an appropriate hotel site for our 2008 event. She has checked out the Radisson Inn off of Odana Road in Madison; it is very promising. It was suggested that she also consider the Hilton Garden Inn near Greenway Cross in Middleton. Jane will check it out. Jane also mentioned that the West Madison Agricultural Research Station is being considered as the spot for our busses to stop for lunch on Saturday during the 2008 Meeting.

Eleanor Rodini, Decorations Co-Chairperson, reported that various table decorations and larger items were being considered. Special emphasis was to be placed on head table arrangements. They are working on a banner/poster design.

Sally Yaeger and Rosemary Kleinheinz agreed to come up with a uniform logo for our event possibly combining a picture of the gift plant, MAD CITY BLUSH along with a sketch of the Madison Skyline. This logo would appear on advertising buttons to be distributed in 2007 at the Region 2 Summer Meeting. The same logo would also appear on our Meeting Booklet passed out to registrants as well as on the side of the goodie bag.

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2008 Summer Meeting continued....

Youth Meeting Chairperson Jake Kleckner came up with the great idea to solicit from Region 2 YOUTH Hybridizers slides of their seedlings. Jake would display these special slides as part of the slide show presented on Friday evening. Jake will also contact the Region 2 Youth Liaison Judy Heath to possibly set up a Youth Meeting during the 2008 Summer Meeting.

I requested that some time during the next few months each chairperson generate and present to me a list of goals and a goal timeline for his/her Committee's functions .

My apologies if I forgot any chairperson who discussed plans for the 2008 Meeting on the 29th. Great ideas were being presented all around the room and I was feverishly taking notes! Thank you all.

In six months or so we will have another Committee Chairpersons Meeting to check our progress.

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**Have you wanted to see what the DAYLILY ROBIN is all about? Would you like to hear from Daylily hybridizers and other addicts like yourself from every corner of the globe? Contact WDS member Tim Fehr in Eau Claire, WI, for more information at [fehrtj@charter.net](mailto:fehrtj@charter.net).**

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## SIGN UP NOW FOR THE BADGER BUS

*By Gene Dewey*

A 55-passenger bus and our favorite driver, Phil Broderick, have been reserved to take WDS members and other AHS members to next summer's Region 2 meeting, July 21-23 in Cleveland, Ohio (see <http://www.ahsregion2.org/2006%20Brochure2.htm> for details). Given the hassle of driving through the greater Chicago area & northern Indiana and the probable increase in gas prices by July 2006 (gas alone could be \$125 round trip!), you are encouraged to join the friendly, and sometimes raucous, group of hem-nuts for a carefree and reasonable trip east. (Tentative cost of the bus and driver should be less than \$75; I do not know how much we will receive from the host club for the use of our bus as a tour bus.) We will have delicious food on the way east! Sign up now--seats will be reserved in the order that I hear from you. I am seeking reservations from the other two WI clubs and two in northern Illinois, as past experience shows that we need more than just our club to make the bus trip happen. Call me (255-0858) or email [gldewey@facstaff.wisc.edu](mailto:gldewey@facstaff.wisc.edu)

## Membership News

We welcome Jean Bawden back to membership in the WDS! We have missed you and are happy that we will be seeing you at our activities.

The mailing labels for this newsletter include the "paid thru" data from my database. If you find a discrepancy in this date, please give me a call (255-0858) or email me ([gldewey@facstaff.wisc.edu](mailto:gldewey@facstaff.wisc.edu)). Thank you.

Gene Dewey, Keeper of the Mailing List

## A New Official AHS Display Garden

Three years ago we started the concept of a memorial daylily bed for my father-in-law at the Univ of Idaho Arboretum. In addition to our family, WDS provided a donation to help get it started. This fall it was inspected and approved as an official AHS Display Garden. Thought you might enjoy the report -- and thanks again for your support!

Kathi Dwelle

*Here is a shortened version of Bob Guenther's report. It gives you an idea of what is looked for in an AHS Display Garden. Our congratulations to Kathi, her family & the UI Arboretum.*

This daylily display garden is composed of 6 separate garden areas of approximately 20 plants each arranged along a walking path. The plantings are arranged with similar colors grouped together in the various gardens as well as spider/doubles, unusual forms and miniatures.

One garden has a nice representation of 12 specie plants as well as earlier and later registered yellow and orange selfs. Diploids and Tetraploids are well represented. All plants are labeled with large easy to read permanent plant markers. Overall, the gardens contain over 100 different cultivars of which about 85 have received awards, including 21 with the Stout Silver Medal, plus the specie plants. These are daylilies that will probably perform well every where and demonstrate the wide variety of colors, shapes and contrasting eye zone and edge colors that make daylilies so unique.

As it is presented, the George Dwelle Daylily Demonstration Garden may be viewed as a wonderful example of the history, the beauty and the diversity of daylilies. All who view this garden will have an enhanced appreciation of daylilies and, I am sure, many will be compelled to plant some in their own garden.

## GREEN BAY HAPPENINGS

The BAD BUDS of Green Bay are sponsoring their annual Hybridizers' Workshop on April 8th this year. It will be held at the Green Bay Botanical Garden, beginning at 9:00 am with Richard Norris of Ashwood Gardens as the featured speaker. For more information, contact Phil Korth, 1861 Pinewood Trail, Suamico, WI 54173, 920-434-5958 or at [pkorth@netnet.net](mailto:pkorth@netnet.net). See the Registration Form on the next page.

Richard Norris will also be the guest speaker at the BAD BUDS club meeting the night before, April 7th, at 6:00 pm, also at the Green Bay Botanical Garden. All are invited.

*We pray your spirit is light with hope,  
your heart is filled with joy,  
and your Holiday is blessed  
with the glory of God.  
May His love bring you peace  
at Christmas and always.*

*Tom & Rosemary*

**Northern Hybridizing Workshop**

Date – April 8, 2006

9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Location – Green Bay Botanical Garden

**Agenda**

- 8:30 am Registration and continental breakfast
- 9:00 am Richard Norris presentation
- 10:00 am Introduction – get to know participants
- 10:20 am Growing Degree Days for Wisconsin
- 10:40 am Hardy parents – hardy plants – small group discussion
- 11:20 am Nate Bremer program
- 12:00 pm Lunch (included in registration fee)
- 12:45 pm New directions for northern hybridizers – small group discussion
- 1:15 pm What’s missing in northern hardy daylilies – small group discussion
- 1:45 pm Phil/Luel Korth program
- 2:30 pm Break
- 2:40 pm Northern hybridizing programs
- 3:30 pm Hybridizing as a group – group goals
- 3:50 pm Wrap up – Future events
- 4:00 pm Adjourn

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**2006 Northern Hybridizing Workshop**

Mail To: Registrar Phil Korth, 1861 Pinewood Trail, Suamico WI 54173  
Make Checks payable to Bay Area Daylily Buds

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

E mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Persons Attending \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount Enclosed at \$16 per person \_\_\_\_\_