



# Lily Talk

*A newsletter of the Central Missouri Hemerocallis Society*

June, 2014

## CMHS 2014 Calendar

June 8  
Flower Show Preparation, Meeting

June 20-22  
Regional Meeting, St. Louis, MO

June 28  
Homestead Farms Trip

July 25-30  
National Convention, Asheville, NC

July 12  
Flower Show

August TBA  
Show at MO State Fair

August 22-23  
Picnic and Sale

October 12  
Meeting

December 7  
Holiday Party

**All meetings this year begin with a potluck meal at 1:30 p.m.**

Directions to the Extension Center, 1012 Route UU, Columbia, MO – Take the Midway exit off of I-70 (just West of Columbia). Route UU is southeast of the exit. The Extension Center is the first Building on the left on UU.

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello all!

Well, spring finally arrived, with summer nipping at its heels. Between bouts of coolness, we've had some very warm weather. I hope everyone's plants are growing well. I've had stress from the rough winter and some spring sickness, but, overall, my plants are growing well. As of this writing, only Gold Dust has scapes and buds, but I know more will be coming up soon.

Going back to April, hybridizer Nan Ripley gave a presentation which we all enjoyed. I was fortunate to be able to spend some time with her and her friend, Sue, outside the meeting. I found them both to be warm, friendly, engaging women that I feel blessed to call my friends. You can see her write-up about her trip in this newsletter.

May 10<sup>th</sup> was our Spring Sale and we did great! It was a beautiful day and everyone was in the mood to plant! We had a good location at the front of the Farmer's Market. Thank you to everyone who worked the booth and donated plants for the sale. I want to say a special thank you to Joan Goodwin for printing out pictures of our sale plants and making posters. Both of these definitely helped bring in more sales.

For June, our meeting will be about the flower show and preparing your displays. Also, we will be auctioning off the exceptional plants donated by Nan Ripley. She sent us four, so please attend the meeting and be ready to bid! A description of each plant will be in this newsletter so you can plan ahead for which ones you might want to bid on. Nan lives in Iowa and her plants are very hardy here!

Please keep in mind that June 28<sup>th</sup> is our trip to Homestead Farms in Owensville, Missouri. If you haven't been, and will be home that weekend, please go with us. A warm and wonderful family-run Homestead Farms, and the area and farm is gorgeous! We will be car-pooling, so please let me or another officer know if you want to attend and be a rider or driver.

Other June events are the 2014 AHS National Convention in Asheville, North Carolina, June 26-28<sup>th</sup>. Asheville is my favorite place. I drove through in 2010, and fell in love!

The Region 11 Summer Meeting is June 20-22 in St. Louis. I wish I could attend, but am unable to. I hope some of you can! More information can be found on the website <http://www.ahsregion11.org>

Moving to July, our annual show is at the Daniel Boone Regional Library on July 12th. I really enjoy the show and hope we have lots of beautiful flowers to pick from that morning to bring. If you need any information, please contact one of the officers.

A new item starting in this newsletter is member profiles. We will profile a member in each newsletter from now on. A great way to get to know each other! Please enjoy! I want everyone in the club to be featured at some point.

I hope each of you have health, happiness and are able to enjoy the beauty of nature as we head into warmer months. If you have any questions, concerns, or needs, please don't hesitate to contact me.

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**Nan Ripley plants to be auctioned at the June 8th meeting:**

**I Can Only Imagine:** Ripley 2009

(Enduring Freedom X Magic Lake)

TET - 39" – 6.5" – Early/Mid – Rebloom – Dormant

Diamond dusted medium bluish purple with lighter bluish purple watermark eye continuing into green throat, double edge starting with bluish purple, ending with silver metallic filigree picotee edge.

A bit of trivia: Nan named this plant after her favorite song and, if you're a hybridizer, she says this is an exceptional breeding plant!

**Supreme Scream:** Ripley 2009

(Fooled Me X Primal Scream)

TET – 38" – 7.5" – Mid – Dormant

Orange with deep red orange eye above gold to olive green throat.

**It Is What It is:** Ripley 2009

(Golliwog X Lavender Handlebars)

DIP – 28" – 8" – Mid – Dormant – UFO crispate

Pink lavender diamond dusted self above large yellow to green throat.

**Winifred Esther:** Ripley 2011

(Odds and Ends X Mildred Mitchell)

TET – 32" – 8" – Early/Mid – Dormant – Fragrant – UFO cascade

Diamond dusted saturated pink petals and sepals, with lavender blue eye and matching double picotee edge on petals, showing some white teeth on edge of petals.

## Nan Ripley's Trip to Columbia, MO

What a truly awesome trip to Columbia, Missouri to present our program to the Central Missouri Hemerocallis Society. The last 40 miles to Columbia, Missouri, trees were in full bloom and daffodils and other spring bulbs were showing their colors. I could really feel spring in the air. What joy!

The CMHS Club really treats their speakers like royalty. Sue McConnell the Vice President contacted me to come to their club. It all went so smoothly I thought I was at home. Their president Leslie Rule collected us from the hotel and took us out to see nurseries in the area. Then we met with members of the club for dinner at Shakespeare's Pizza. I have never had such great pizza. Now I will never be satisfied with 'just pizza'. We had great fun sharing stories and sharing ice cream after the meal. Back to hotel Duruy and super nice beds for good night sleep. In the morning after breakfast at the hotel Leslie Rule came again to take us to a special nursery 'Vintage Hill Farm'. Where my travel companion Sue Henze and I were able to buy some unusual plants. You know, for me and my friend Sue Henze seeing plants that are usual, the car was full. Leslie is an animal person as I am and chose the Vintage Hill Farm so we could see Highland Cattle with their long hair and pretty eyes, and warm blood horses. What a great beginning to a fun filled day. Then back to hotel and pick up our car and off to the meeting.

Before the presentation Sue McConnell had set up a requested hybridizers meeting where we all could meet and exchange information about hybridizing. It was like a round table with about 15 people. I really loved this exchange of ideas and information.

Then the smells of the food that was being set out for lunch reached us. We left this private area and went back into the main room. What a layout of delectable dishes of wonderfully prepared food. You know the south is known for pulled pork and homemade everything. This meal was a treat of treats and at the top of my list now of desserts is Bob McConnell's Key Lime Cake. This cake is what dreams are made of.

My program went better than I could have hoped for as Charley Blackmore had the highest technology of the most modern equipment. My pictures really did look like they did in my garden. Wow, oh my, I want one of those new Epson projectors. It was the very best of support for my program. I had never seen my program look so awesome.

All too soon it was time to hit the road as the rain was coming down and night would be falling. The drive home was in howling wind and driving rain, then snow. Sue and I were in high spirits and took on the challenge of the storm, 5 hour drive, and won. We got home safely but the snow was falling hard and the wind still strong. We left our treasured plants in my car until morning so they would not get blow about and broken by the winds.

Tonight Sue will come over and we will have BBQ and chat about the trip and get our plants sorted out as they are in the kitchen keeping warm. Mine will go down to the basement under lights until 'spring' appears.

Thank you the Central Missouri Hemerocallis Society. I hope to see you all soon.

Nan Ripley

"With God, all things are possible!"  
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Nevada, Iowa 50201  
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<http://www.centraliowadaylilysociety.com/nanripley.html>

### **Minutes from CMHS Meeting April 13, 2014**

Nan Ripley, hybridizer from Ankeny, Iowa presented the program. Two of her recent introductions, "Supreme Scream" and "I Can Only Imagine" will be sent to the club later for our use as auction items or premiums. Open house in Nan's garden, Walkabout Gardens, is June 21, 2014, 1:00 – 4:00 pm and all are welcome to come north to Iowa. Walkabout Gardens is an AHS Display Garden. Nan also provided 9 packets of seeds that were distributed during the plant drawings.

#### **Business Meeting**

President, Leslie Rule opened the business meeting. The Treasurer's Report and previous meeting minutes were accepted as published.

#### **Summary of the Important Dates Mentioned Below**

May 10: Spring Sale at Columbia Farmer's Market (at the ARC)

June 8: Next CMHS meeting

June 28: CMHS field trip to Homestead Nursery in Owensville

July 12: CMHS Annual Daylily Show, Columbia Public Library

July 13: Open gardens??? Contact Alice to put yours on the schedule

August 22: CMHS Picnic and plant sale, Lamb Shelter, Cosmo Park

August 23: CMHS Farmer's Market Sale at both markets

October 12: Meeting, Michael Bouman, Region 11 President and Hybridizer

#### **Spring and Fall Plant Sales May 10**

Karen Blackmore is organizing the spring plant sale which will be held on May 10. Call Karen to schedule your time to help at the Market, and/or if you can offer to bring a light weight table and/or chairs. Bring your cleaned and priced plants to the sale before 8:00 a.m. on May 10<sup>th</sup> or contact Karen if you want to drop off cleaned and priced plants at her house prior to the sale. Karen has extra tags to use at the sale. Karen states that she negotiated with the Market Manager and was promised a visible location. See the information below about the group being formed to assist with digging and cleaning plants.

#### **CMHS Flower Show July 12**

Leslie called the date of the Flower Show to our attention. It is now set for July 12, as the National AHS convention is the same date as the date previously announced. Flower Show Chairperson Alice Havard announced that the Columbia Garden Club will co-host the show with us this year and the design and educational sections will be expanded. There was a brief discussion about optimal dates for the flower show which will be considered for next year's date. Please inform Alice of educational displays you are planning as they want to create labels with a common theme for the whole event. We will have one more meeting room adjacent to our usual room for this event and will need 8 more design entries than usual to meet the quota. Barb Schuette will be at our June 8 meeting to provide the orientation and instructions for the flower show. Alice asked anyone willing to host an open garden on July 13 to contact her as soon as possible.

#### **Fall Picnic and Plant Sale August 22 - 23**

The fall picnic and plant sale will be August 22-23. The members' sale and picnic are at the Lamb Shelter in Cosmo Park starting at 5:30 pm. This year we will ask to have each donor process their own plants. See the information below about the group being formed to assist with digging and cleaning plants. The farmer's markets sales will be August 23 at both the Boone County Market in the Health Dept. Parking Lot on Worley and the Columbia Farmer's Market at the ARC on Clinkscals.

### **Need some help?**

Leslie is forming a group of CMHS members and friends who will be on-call to assist our members with preparation of daylilies for sales. Please contact Leslie to indicate your willingness to volunteer for this group. Realizing that many gardens get may become overwhelming when a member is injured, ill, or just getting "too darn old" this group can be called upon for assistance. The goal is to preserve the joy and pleasure of the garden with a little help from your friends. Since the organizers of the sales are requesting that all flowers be cleaned and priced when they arrive, think about what assistance you might need and contact Leslie to discuss the situation. Bob and Sue McConnell have offered their place as the place for a group to gather to wash and separate daylilies before the sales. Contact Leslie or Sue for more information.

### **Region 11 Auction**

Region 11 on-line auction: The pertinent information was in the April newsletter. Go to [daylily.com](http://daylily.com) and look for the options at the bottom of the page for the "want" tab. Those are sure sellers, so consider donating them. Region 11 pays your shipping costs.

Leslie reminded us of the floral design class. Member Barb Schuette is forming an independent group of gardeners to study floral design. The first meeting will be April 14 from 10-noon at Trinity Presbyterian Church. Contact Barb or Karen Blackmore to reserve your space.

### **Field Trip to Homestead Farms in Owensville June 28**

Leslie announced a planned trip to Homestead Farms in Owensville June 28. We will all carpool, so if you want to go, please contact Leslie to let her know you can go and how many others you can take in your car. Details to follow.

### **Daylily Drawings:**

#### February

\$100 – Sue McConnell

\$50 – Reng Winters

Bring backs from Nancy Rold; Dragonfly in Flight won by Lois Calvin; Creative Design won by Dan Judy.

The following people won Nan Ripley's daylily seeds: Karen Blackmore, Yvonne Calvin, Leemer Cernohlavek, Dan Judy, Susan Kitchen, Billie Long, Bob McConnell, Norma Mountjoy, and Bob Tankesley-Clarke.

### **Next meeting: June 8, 2014**

Respectfully submitted, Carol Schultz, Treasurer

## June 8 Flower Show Preparation Program

Debbie Nix will talk to us about grooming the daylilies for the show. And, Barbara Schuette is going to talk to us about preparation for the show also.

## Membership Profile



Name: Leslie Rule

Where do you live? Columbia

Family information: I have a 24-year-old son who is married and lives/attends college in Iowa. He went into the Marine Corps. out of high school and has always made me proud. I currently share my home with three dogs, two Black Labs and one old Boxer, and six rowdy parrots. I was born here in Columbia and most of my family lives nearby.

How long have you raised daylilies? A bit over ten years.

Do you hybridize anything? I hybridize daylilies. I have also successfully crossed some Hibiscus.

What else do you grow? Iris, Hibiscus, Hydrangeas, and native wildflowers mostly.

Who got you started in daylilies? A friend of mine that lives in North Carolina mailed my first daylilies to me over ten years ago. She got me hooked.

What is your favorite type of daylily and why? I like them all, but I am most attracted to UFO cascade forms. I find them beautiful and elegant. They have a graceful form that is somewhat disorderly at times.

What daylily grows best in your garden? One of my old favorites that has been with me from the beginning is Rocket City. Another is When I Dream. It fades in the sun by afternoon, but in the morning it is bright velvet red with a huge yellow throat. Gorgeous!

## Charter Member Profile



Our first Charter Member to be profiled is Stewart Smith. Many of us remember touring his beautiful garden on Bourne Ave. He and Mavis worked together in maintaining the show gardens and seedling beds. Stewart and Mavis were generous about sharing their knowledge about daylilies. Many of the Mavis Smith daylilies are named for places in Australia.

Stewart Smith currently lives at Parkside Manor, 1201 Hunt Street, Columbia, MO 65202 (please change the address in your directory). He is pictured here with the Mavis Smith Memorial tray awarded to the best flower hybridized by Mavis Smith shown at the CMHS Daylily Show each year from 2000 to 2010. The first recipient in 2000 was Stewart Smith. The award was retired in 2010 and the tray awarded to Leemer Cernohlavek who displayed the best Smith flower four times in the ten years. Stewart welcomes visitors and especially enjoys looking at pictures of daylilies and reminiscing.