



The Blue Daylily

Newsletter of the Blue Ridge Area Daylily Society (BRADS)
2022 Summer Edition - July 24

President's Message

Greetings fellow BRADS members,

It was wonderful seeing so many of you during our last four weekends of activities! Thanks first to BRADS members who allowed us to visit your gardens: JoAnne Astin, Treasa Smith, Shirley Jarusek, Kat Ferneley, and Julie Covington. If you've never hosted a club garden tour before, let me encourage you to consider it for the future. Yes, it is extra work, but your work inspires all who visit. Every garden provides us with an opportunity to learn something new, to see a new plant that we simply **MUST** have, or to simply be inspired by the beauty that others have created. Each and every garden we saw on our 2022 tours and day trip was inspiring to me, and I hope to all who participated, as well.

Secondly, thanks to each one of you who made the effort rise at the crack of dawn (or before!) to participate in our various BRADS events. Yes, we got an early start, but with summer heat, we know that earlier is always better. Thanks also to BRADS member Shirley Jarusek, who chaired our June 25 BRADS sale and exhibit, and to each person who worked to support this money making club event.

Please now take some time now to "chillax" and recover from our intense schedule, and let's all plan to meet again in September for one of BRADS most fun, most "do not miss" events! Be sure to read the details of our upcoming September Plants for Members Auction and Potluck from Co-chairs JoAnne Astin and Nancy B. Jones.

BRADS members, let's all extend a hearty welcome to new members since our May 14 meeting: Justin Gardner from Troutville, Kathleen Lietz from Moneta,

VA, Evan and Angela Reedy from Monroe, VA, Rebecca Terrill from Floyd, and Teri Ann Valentine from Rocky Mount. We are so happy you've joined us and can't wait to welcome each of you in person! I especially encourage our new members to make an effort to attend our September meeting. You'll have a chance to add some newer and beautiful daylilies to your garden, and fall is a great time for planting.

See you in September!
Julie Covington

Upcoming Event Dates:

September 10, 10 AM

Plants for Members Return
Potluck, Fall Plants for Members Auction

September 17, 9AM

RCGC Fall Plant Sale

October 8, Noon

Potluck, Speaker: Melodye Campbell

October 21-23,

Lilyhemmer (Region 3 Fall Meeting)

November 12, Noon

Potluck, Speaker: Rich Howard

December 10, Noon

Christmas Potluck and "Dirty Santa"
gift exchange

Further details on page 2.

Upcoming BRADS Events

Greetings fellow daylilians,

Our next meeting is our September 10 Plants for Members Auction/Potluck. *See the details for that event in this newsletter on page 3.

We have an update on our October meeting, for any who were not present at the July 9 business meeting. The scheduled speaker, Kate Patrick from Tennessee, is unable to speak due to a health concern. Instead, we will have Melodye Campbell from Hendersonville, NC. Mel will speak to us about small and miniature daylilies, as well as give us information about a special historical project she is chairing for the daylily society.

Rich Howard from Connecticut Daylilies is scheduled to speak to us on November 12, 2022 about his hybridizing program. Our December 10 meeting will be held at RCGC (due to the closing of the Roanoker Restaurant). More details will be forthcoming about these events.

We hope to see you all this fall!

Julie Covington, *Program Chair*

**All local events will be held at
Roanoke Council of Garden Clubs,
3640 Colonial Avenue, Roanoke, VA 24018**

September 10, 2022 - 10 AM

Plants for Members Return

RCGC Potluck, Fall Plants for Members Auction

September 17, 2022 - 9 AM

RCGC Fall Plant Sale

Drop off is Friday 9/16, sale is Saturday at 9:00 AM

October 08, 2022 - 12 Noon

Fall business meeting, Potluck lunch and Speaker
The speaker is Melodye Campbell, Hendersonville, NC. "Small and Miniature Daylilies" and AHS Historical Project

October 21-23, 2022

LILYHEMMER (Region 3 Fall Meeting)
Camp Hill, PA

November 12, 2022 - 12 Noon

Potluck lunch, Speaker

The speaker is Rich Howard, CT Daylilies,
"Hybridizing in Connecticut"

December 10, 2022 - 12 Noon

Christmas Potluck and "Dirty Santa" gift exchange

Did You Know?

The lobby of the Roanoke Council of Garden Clubs is host to a NexTrex recycling collection box sponsored by the Westchester Garden Club!

Through programs like this all over the country Trex collects plastic film products that are not normally accepted elsewhere and turns them into premium composite products, including benches for participating communities. The Westchester Garden Club has recently completed one collection cycle and is gearing up to collect another 500lbs of plastic film by January 2023. Let's give them a hand at reaching their goal and do our part to reduce landfill waste. And

keep an eye out for their first bench to be placed soon on the RCGC grounds!

Polyethylene plastics acceptable for this form of recycling are flexible and stretchable, such as grocery and produce bags, bread bags, ziploc bags, and bubble wrap. For more information about accepted items and about the Trex recycling programs, visit the Trex website at recycle.trex.com/view/educate



Plants For Members News

Our annual Potluck and Fall Plant Auction will be Sept 10, 2022. We will be receiving plants at 10am. The potluck will begin at 11am followed by the auction at 12pm. Please note the times on your calendar. Members are reminded to bring your plants labeled, cleaned, and divided. Anyone who would like to donate plants for the auction please contact JoAnne two weeks before the scheduled date.

For your convenience, we are providing the list of plants each member is responsible to return. **If after checking this list you are not able to return a plant, please let JoAnne or Nancy know.** New members, this is a chance to get really nice daylilies at a great price! Please bring your favorite dish and join us for a nice day.

Our May 2022 Plant Distribution was a huge success with many lovely plants accepted by our members. On pages 5 and 6 you will see your name with the plants listed you chose to grow. If there's a discrepancy, please contact one of the Plants for Members Co-Chairs so it may be addressed.

JoAnne Astin and Nancy B Jones
Plants for Members Co-Chairs

PS: Members don't forget to take photos, if possible, of returning plants while they're in bloom. Photos may be submitted to JoAnne at joastin@yahoo.com.

Plants To Be Returned for Fall 2022

Beverly
Angle

BROUHAHA
EPHEMERA
CHROMACOLOR
POSTCARD FROM ALCATRAZ

JoAnne
Astin

CAT ON BOARD
THE CAT THAT ATE MIGHTY MOUSE
IT'S MOMA WAS A PORN STAR
SOMEONE PINCHED ME

June
Avis

ALL MY KITTENS
AWESOME ADVENTURE
ADVENTURES IN OZ
PEACHES AND GREEN
COWBOY BLUES
CELESTIAL CINDY DYE

Angie
Boward

HAUNTED *Died*
CHROMACOLOR
RADIOACTIVE
CORONA STAR

Craig
Boward

EVOCATIVE
HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY
BUZZING ABOUT
WILD DOLLY

A.L.
Bryant

TARZANA
DIPPED IN CHOCOLATE
GULLWING
CLOWNS IN WASHINGTON

Jean
Bryant

CAT ON BOARD
PEACHES AND GREEN
WILD TIMES x 2
GRISELDA

Julie
Covington

ELFIN BLUES

Taylor
Dake

ELFIN BLUES
BEHOLD YOUR MOTHER
OCTOPUS FRENZY
BUZZING ABOUT

Carolyn
Fleming

FIRE PAPA
TREMBLER
VANGUARD
CHROMACOLOR

Mitch
Holcomb

OCTOPUS FRENZY
CRACKLING FIRE

Plants To Be Returned for Fall 2022 - Continued

Kyle Jones ELFIN BLUES
WILD DOLLY
VANGUARD
THREE ANGRY BIRDS

Nancy K Jones LEXICON
GULLWING
MULTIVERSE
POSTCARD FROM ALCATRAZ

Nancy B Jones TARZANA
CHROMACOLOR
CRACKLING FIRE
MULTIVERSE

Julie Kitzmiller IT'S MOMA WAS A PORN STAR
THE CAT THAT ATE MIGHTY MOUSE
PEACHES AND GREEN

John Lawson DOUBLE HELIX
POPAGANO
SUMPTUOUS
WILD DOLLY

Doris Peters OVERDRESSED
EPHEMERA
VANGUARD
MULTIVERSE

Kathy Reed SOMEONE PINCHED ME
DANCE MUSIC
AWESOME ADVENTURE
CLOWNS IN WASHINGTON

Carolyn Sarginger DANCE MUSIC
VANGUARD
JOVIALITY
WILD TIMES

Dave Sarginger PANSY FACE CHARMER
GULLWING
HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY
LEISURE CLASS

Treasa Smith SOMEONE PINCHED ME
POSTCARD FROM ALCATRAZ
WONDERFUL MEMORIES

Elnora Stubbs SWIRLS AND TWIRLS
WONDERFUL MEMORIES
PUZZLER
WILD DOLLY

Meg Swecker BUZZING ABOUT
WONDERFUL MEMORIES
VANGUARD
THE CAT THAT ATE MIGHTY MOUSE

Lynne Victorine GIOVANNI GABRIELI
SWIRLS AND TWIRLS
FIRE PAPA
WILD TIMES

Kent Walton DARK DUBONNET
DIPPED IN CHOCOLATE
ADVENTURES IN OZ

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'DARK DUBONNET'



'WONDERFUL MEMORIES'



'SWIRLS AND TWIRLS'



'WILD TIMES'

2022 Distribution – Please verify your plant selections

Beverly Angle HEAR THE WHISPER
TIME
WINDYHILL'S DREAMSICKLE

JoAnne Astin JUST JEANNE
DRAGONFLY DERBY
FOREVER MY GIRL
ARE YOU KIDDING ME

June Avis DAZZLING CANDY
LADY VICKI
WHIRLIN CURLIN
PUT ON YOUR DANCIN' SHOES

Angie Boward WHITE WHISKERS
DAZZLING CANDY
TESSA AND MOM GARDENING

Craig Boward OFF THE SCALE
OUTERMOST APPLIQUÉ
LATER SATYR
IMMODEST LITTLE GODDESS

A.L. Bryant WHITE WHISKERS
WINDYHILL'S HIDDEN SECRETS
MIGHT AS WELL JUMP
SPACE COWBOY

Jean Bryant MANGO SPLASH
WINDYHILL'S DESIGNER RED
SUGAR SPRINKLES
BUBBLE GUM TWIRL

Julie Covington DRAGONFLY DERBY
IT MUST BE CINDY

Taylor Dake FOREVER MY GIRL
ALWAYS ISABELLA
MOWER KING
WINDYHILL'S HIDDEN SECRETS

Kat Ferneley TOO GOOD TO BE BLUE
BIG BLUE LAKE
DAWN'S MORNING LIGHT
WALT LOWRY

Carolyn Fleming MUNCHKIN MUSIC
EXPLOSION IN THE PAINT FACTORY
WINDYHILL'S DREAMSICKLE
PUT ON YOUR DANCIN' SHOES

Susan Fore WINDYHILL'S DESIGNER RED
DOOBY DOOBY DOO
BUBBLE GUM TWIRL
MADE IN CONNECTICUT

Tom Fore LITTLE ROOTIE TOOTIE
BERRY DELIGHTFUL
QUIRKY SMILE
TIDEWATER ELF

Mitch Holcomb RIG A JIG JIG
MUNCHKIN PARADE
GRAPE SHADOWS
LITTLE ROOTIE TOOTIE

Deborah Hubbard YOU'LL POKE YOUR EYE OUT
OUTERMOST APPLIQUÉ
I AM WOMAN
TOOTHY MASHUP

Kyle Jones RASPBERRY MINT SORBET
DRAGONFLY DERBY
GIGANTIC RAY OF SUNSHINE
HOPE HUNT

Nancy K Jones BLUEMOON BOUQUET
TOO GOOD TO BE BLUE
FOREVER MY GIRL
BERRY DELIGHTFUL

2022 Distribution - continued

Nancy B Jones JUST JEANNE
RASPBERRY MINT SORBET
OUTERMOST APPLIQUÉ
MADE IN CONNECTICUT
GIVE YOUR POOCH A SMOOCH

Julie Kitzmiller MUNCHKIN PARADE
JEWELLED SMILE
FOREVER MY GIRL
ALWAYS ISABELLA

John Lawson OFF THE SCALE
SAY HELLO TO MY LITTLE FRIEND
GIVE YOUR POOCH A SMOOCH
LITTLE ROOTIE TOOTIE

Pat Malotte BLUEMOON BOUQUET
IMMODEST LITTLE GODDESS
QUIRKY SMILE
SPACE COWBOY

Doris Peters OFF THE SCALE
DAZZLING CANDY
TOOTHY MASHUP
ALWAYS ISABELLA

Barb Putney TWO FACED FLOOZY
DRAGONFLY DERBY
MOWER KING
SUGAR SPRINKLES

Kathy Reed MUNCHKIN MUSIC
YOU'LL POKE YOUR EYE OUT
WHIRLIN CURLIN
LATER SATYR

Carolyn Sarginger WHITE WHISKERS
GRAPE SHADOWS

Dave Sarginger JEWELLED SMILE
BIG BLUE LAKE

Treasa Smith IZZY THE CAT
RASPBERRY MINT SORBET
OUTERMOST APPLIQUÉ
SPRING WINE

Elnora Stubbs BIG BLUE LAKE
I LAVA YOU
GIVE YOUR POOCH A SMOOCH
PUT ON YOUR DANCIN' SHOES

Roy Stubbs DON'T STEP ON THE DUCKS
GRAPE SHADOWS
LADY VICKI
BOJANGLES DANCING

Meg Swecker IT MUST BE CINDY
EXPLOSION IN THE PAINT FACTORY
BOJANGLES DANCING
GIVE YOUR POOCH A SMOOCH

Lynne Victorine TWO FACED FLOOZY
PRICKLY FINGERS
SPRING WINE
BOJANGLES DANCING

Kent Walton TOO GOOD TO BE BLUE
WHIRLIN CURLIN
WALT LOWRY

Members remember to monitor club plants and take photos while they're in bloom. Photos may be submitted to JoAnne at: joastin@yahoo.com

Garden Tours a Great Success!

Many BRADS members took advantage of our return to garden tours and members who hosted the tours did a marvelous job of showing the wonderful

and creative ways they have arranged their gardens. Thanks also go to Julie Covington who coordinated the events.

Summit Lake Garden (AHS Display Garden), Browns Summit, NC June 18

A perfect start to renewing tours, Bill Hurt and Marshall Morrow opened their award-winning garden to BRADS members. The gardens feature more than 450 types of lilies, displayed in



Bill Hurt with Tis Midnight, a 60 plus year old daylily

semicircular rows so they can be enjoyed from the porch. The 13 members who attended the trip were all struck by the beauty of the lilies that greet you at every turn.



The Roanoke Tours, July 20

The Jane Morgan Harris Display Garden at Richfield Living, Salem began the tour with 20 BRADS members. Please see the article on page 9 for more information on this newly named AHS garden.

Kat Ferneley's Garden in Old Southwest Roanoke featured lilies along with an intriguing garden of carnivores and beautiful flower displays.

Ridge View garden in Bonsack is the creation of Julie Covington, a former national president of the American Hemerocallis Society (AHS). BRADS members were joined by members of the Facebook Roanoke Gardening group to enjoy these vibrant and unique flowerbeds. *(photos on page 8)*

Kat Ferneley's Old Southwest Garden



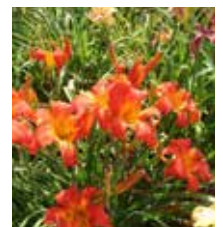
Julie Covington's Ridge View Garden



The Henry- Bassett Tours, July 9

Nineteen garden sightseers began at The Fairy Dust Garden in Henry, the joint creation of Treasa Smith and her daughter Taylor Drake. Their work has made the garden an ever-changing and magical place to visit.

No Stone Unturned in Bassett is the garden of JoAnne Astin. This garden was such a delight, with wonderful containers, abundant creativity and beautiful daylilies.



Jane Morgan Harris Gardens At Richfield Living Salem



I am elated to announce that the gardens at Richfield Living have officially been granted National Historic Daylily Display Garden status. Rich Crider, our AHS Region 3 representative, visited the gardens on June 20th and spent about two hours walking the grounds with myself. He was very impressed by the Daylily Display Garden and also the campus as a whole. We talked about the future expansion of the gardens and that there will be a separate Jane Morgan Harris Memorial Garden planted in a 1930's style with daylilies that would have been available during that time period.



The Jane Morgan Harris Gardens were also visited by approximately 20 BRADS members with a few guests and family members and also Rich Crider on July 2nd. This was my first official tour of the gardens and I could not have been happier with the turnout. I want to thank everyone who attended and your words of encouragement mean so much to me. I felt a great sense of accomplishment after having worked on the gardens for 4 years. And I also want to thank those who have promised daylily donations for the garden this fall. My heart is overflowing with joy!

Shirley Jarusek



'LADY EMILY'



'CLEO'



'DEAR DUCHESS'

Annual BRADS Public Sale and Show

We held our Annual BRADS Public Sale and Show on June 25th. The sale was chaired by Shirley Jarusek with help from many members who helped with set-up, sales, and show boards. There were many daylilies donated by members and lots of other great plant material to be had. Thanks to Kat Ferneley for the interesting carnivorous plant donations. Although the traffic seemed slower than other years, we were able to make almost as much as the year before bringing in a total of \$979.00. Great job Everyone!!!

Shirley Jarusek
Plant Sale Chair



Daylily Presentation to the Master Gardeners

Earlier in the year Eric Anspaugh contacted Kent Walton regarding having a speaker for the Franklin County Master Gardeners. So I did a PowerPoint presentation at the Essig Recreation Center in Rocky Mount on June 15. I was well received and the group had a fun and informing time. They gave me positive feedback. In addition to the presentation I took several daylily plants with me. I took our roll of matching tickets and handed them out to the members and we did drawings for daylily door prizes. I had explained our daylily Plants for Members program to them during the presentation so we had an auction for two daylilies Sassy Woman and Purple Tarantula. I placed a \$25 minimum on Purple Tarantula and clarified to them that they might not be interested in paying that much and it would be ok if no one did, it went for \$40 and Sassy Woman \$15. The \$55 went into BRADS checking account. Our updated pamphlets

were also shared with their members. We actually have two new members from this event.



Tom and Susan Fore of BRADS attended the presentation. They invited me to their gardens, which I toured prior to the Master Gardeners Presentation. I believe Tom and Susan may be considering being on BRADS future garden tours and, if so, it will be a visitation I encourage everyone to attend. They already have an extensive collection of daylilies as

well as a collection of many other plants as well as water features.

In addition to the above I did the same presentation earlier in the year to the Roanoke Valley Garden Club. They donated \$25 to RCGC in my name for BRADS.

Kyle Jones

Collecting Names and Memories by Lynne Victorine

We all have our quirks with our collections. My daylily collection started with one: Chicago Fire. I bought it at Cindy's Greenhouse, and I bought it for the name. It's no secret that I probably care less about what a daylily looks like than I do the name. It's like nail polish names. They are fun!

Years later, I had a new garden to develop that depended on plants that would represent my favorite fictional sleuths. My uncle, a tree junkie, took me to a magical nursery, Hornbaker's Gardens, for a little R&R. I sat in a gazebo at the bottom of a deep ravine that was planted with hostas and other shade plants. I'd never appreciated hostas until that moment. Uncle Doc had a prodigious collection, which he has shared over the years since then.

But the other thing Hornbaker's had was a beautiful daylily field. From them came Strutter's Ball (for Batiste in the Dave Robicheaux books), Savannah Moon (Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil), La Louisiane (Skip Langdon), Chicago Two Bit (Michael Kelley), and Scottish Fantasy (Hamish Macbeth).

Roman Candle, Papal Guard, Florentine Prince, and Christopher Columbus came home to commemorate a trip to the land of my ancestors.

In an effort to represent V.I. Warshawski, I started looking for the Chicago daylily. I added Pic-

otee Promise, Thistle, Petticoats, Apache, Arnie's Choice (therein hangs a tale!), Cattlya, and another whose name and tag have been lost. One trip yielded Prairie Blue Eyes, and it's so pretty! These are all James Marsh selections, by the way, and are as old as they come. Of these, Arnie's Choice is the likeliest candidate for V.I. She is a Diehard Cubs fan (as is her author), and Arne Harris was the producer for the Cubs games on WGN. Arne used to indulge himself in the close-ups from the crowd shots, and Arne's Choice was always some pretty woman in a hat.

One trip to Hornbaker's (we did this every summer for several years), we found one called Dollhouse, and I had to have it because of Uncle Cookie, who built my dollhouse. Uncle Doc saw one named Wayside Painted Lady; he bought it for me because he liked the name and I like architecture.

While my fellow members discuss daylilies in terms of hybridizers, I chuckle to myself, knowing I didn't bring home Barney because of that. Nope. Barney was the alpha cat of the trio we adopted in the 1990s. He was a huge mound of tabby and stood guard over their Christmas socks until we came down in the morning. On Saturday, I also saw one I'd been wanting for a long time, Riot on the Kindergarten Bus.

Those of you who have met Dane, my husband, learned he

is terminally laid back and has a wicked sense of humor. He is also scary-smart. However, he is a man with a past. He was about five when his mother, realizing her tow-headed boy was too smart to be left with a babysitter while his parental units went to work, decided to enroll him in kindergarten. He needed a challenge, but Virginia had not yet instituted kindergarten in their public schools. She paid a big check and he got to ride a bus to school. On the second or third day, he started jumping up and down on his seat and shrieking. The rest of the kids thought that was great and joined in. That was the end of his kindergarten career.

Yesterday, Big Kitty was weed whacking and called me out to show me a problem. He'd broken the tag for Itsy Bitsy Spider, and he'd kind of trimmed her. I was making new tags for the things I'd brought home the day before and potted while they wait for their permanent homes. I told him to check the pots, and to look for the one I'd bought for him. "You'll know it when you read the tags. It's in a very small pot for now." He gave me the "Granny Vic Side-Eye," which always makes me giggle. But a while later he came inside, laughing. He noted Barney was the color of Barney's favorite blankie, but then he said, "Riot on the Kindergarten Bus. My mother is having the last laugh!"

**Blue Ridge Area Daylily Society Inc,
Treasurer's 2nd Quarter Report 2022**

Balance 3/31/2022 \$19,635.98

Income

Kroger Cares \$40.64
 Interest (March-June) \$0.67
 Dues (3 new members) \$30.00
 RCGC Plant Sale \$804.00
 BRADS Plant Sale \$979.00
 Plants Sold at Master Gardeners Presentation \$55.00
 Total \$1,909.31

Balance \$21,545.29

Expenditures

June Avis Pamphlets Cost..... \$58.97
 Julie Covington (Smoulder Dinner) \$26.71
 Rich Howard (PFM Plants) \$530.00
 Barb Putney (Newsletter Paper Copies) \$95.99
 RCGC (20% of \$804) \$160.80
 RCGC Dues 2022* \$785
 RCGC Rent 6/24 - 6/25* \$40
 Total \$1,697.47

Balance \$19,847.82

*RCGC dues are \$20 per member plus \$25 for BRADS, 38 members at time of payment. I paid the RCGC dues and the rent for the plant sale 6/24-6/25 with one check of \$825. That check, included above, did not appear on the June bank statement.

Kyle Jones, *Treasurer*

Thank you Kent!



Kent Walton has stepped away from the president's seat, but thankfully not from BRADS. He is dealing with some health issues and we wish him a speedy recovery.

Kent's energy and drive were a perfect match for

club president. Growing the group is an initiative he backed strongly. Having 6 new members since the last meeting is a measure of that enthusiasm. From

a personal view, he walks the walk in mentoring new people. I am an introvert unless I am totally comfortable in a setting. (Yes, I am very comfortable!) Going to my first potluck and meeting was not easy. Kent was one of the people who joined in conversation with me and when I learned he loved deep purple lilies as much as I do, I made sure I sat near him so he could answer questions.

Thank you Kent!

Barb Putney
Newsletter Co-Editor

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