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NEWSLETTER

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Board Meeting 6:15 p.m.

Regular Meeting 7:00 p.m.

August 21 Program

Bill Gdaniec will do a power point presentation on his hybridizing program.

Refreshments: Names A-M to bring refreshments for August meeting.

Plant Raffle & Door Prizes
Meetings start at 7:00 p.m. so please come early.

Meeting Location:

Usually the third Monday of the month at the Farmdale Church of the Nazarene, 6501 Vandre Ave – Located off Smyrna Rd., about 0.1 miles before Outer Loop.

President's Message

Hello from my garden! With our recent intense heat wave, not much work has been done in my little corner of the world. Weeds VS Donna. Weeds 10-Me 0. Overall may of the daylilies seem quite content and healthy. As do the weeds.

Our speaker for July was from the Kentucky Extension Office there off of Highway 44. Laura Lee George gave an excellent educational program on weeds that are common here locally. Several of the species I own. Her little girl came with her, and she got to be our 'assistant' for the evening.

The Financial reported the great success for the Mid-City Daylily show. \$1373.00 was the total, before taxes. Thanks for all of the hard work put forth by all.

The annual DSL picnic is Sunday, September 24th. Set up is 2:00, Begin eating at 3:00. The Louisville Nature Center is a new venue. It is more centrally located than the Oldham county site. A refrigerator and microwave are available if you are bringing food that needs to be heated or kept cold. LNC building is usually closed on Sunday, so DSL will have the building all to ourselves. Bring your walking shoes if you would like to wander any of the available trails. DSL has the building until 5:00 and then you can walk at your own pace.

Don and Claudia Wolff shared a wonderful gardening tip with me. Something I had never heard. Nematodes. (I thought she was talking about a frog.) Nematodes are microscopic worms. They kill over 200

species of pest insects in the soil. Nematodes only attack soil dwelling insects and leave plants and earthworms alone. Basically, they are organic pest control. Amazon, Gardens Alive!, Green Daily are among many that sell nematodes, plus lacewings, and many more beneficial insects. I purchased Praying mantis-Luv my praying mantis. They are quite reasonable and well worth the addition to the garden.

Tips for beating the heat....Eat at Cracker Barrel. Eat plenty of ice cream. Arby's has milk shakes for \$1.00 between 2-5pm daily. Try Orange Cream Shake. Awesome!! Stay inside and read Daylily garden catalogs.

Have a good day, stay safe. See you at the August monthly meeting.

Donna Ward

Board Meeting Minutes, July 17, 2017

Meeting was opened by President Donna Ward. Those present were Norma Ward, Bill Gdaniec, Claudia and Don Wolff and Junelle Edrington

Beverly was not present but she sent her financial report which was discussed. Bill Gdaniec made a motion to approve the report and was second by Claudia. It was discussed that Don not put the financial report in the Escape. It will be e-mailed to the members a couple of days before the meeting.

Old Business: There was discussion about the Fall Picnic at the Louisville Nature Center at 3745 Illinois Ave on Sept 24 from 3 to 5. Set up will be at 2:00 p.m. There will be door prizes, please bring yours along with a covered dish to this event.

We are still discussing the thought of an outing with the club. Perhaps we can pull one together in the early spring of 2018.

Motion made to adjourn at 6:45 by Claudia second by Junelle

Respectfully Submitted by
Junelle Edrington
Recording Secretary

General Meeting Minutes, July 17, 2017

Called to order at 7:00 by president Donna Ward

In the board meeting it was discussed that the financial report will no longer be printed in the Escape. It will be e-mailed to the members a couple of days prior to the meeting.

We are still looking to go to the Louisville Nature Center on Illinois Ave on Sept 24 for our annual Fall Picnic. Please bring your door prizes and favorite covered dish for all to enjoy.

Beverly has secured the place for our Christmas dinner at Carrabba's Italian Grill and the menu has been chosen. Everyone needs to let her know how many will be attending with your group.

Donna is looking into getting someone who does bee keeping for our August speaker.

Thanks to Richard and Helen Porter for doing such a great job setting up the Flower Show and Sale at Mid-City Mall the first of July, great show and sale. Also a great thanks to all of those who helped in any capacity for the show.

Our speaker for the night was introduced by Don Wolff. Lorilee George, Bullitt Co Extension Office. Lorilee gave a very interesting speech on obnoxious weeds and their control. She discussed that there were classes that were available to everyone at the Extension Office. She emphasized the need to apply pre-emergent and do it when the Forsythia is in bloom in the early spring. She staked some weeds in the lawn of the church that the members went out to help identify. That was very interesting. I never thought you would have that many in your very own yard.

Raffle plants were won by Pattie Byerley (Gold Elephant) and Dottie Miller (Westbourne Blue Moon)

Thanks to Bill Gdaniec for filling in for me during my husband’s surgery and recovery.

Adjourned at 8:15
Respectfully Submitted
Junelle Edrington
Recording Secretary



Upcoming Events

DSL Picnic – September 24th, 2:00 set-up,
Dinner at 3:00. The Louisville Nature Center

Holiday dinner – November 20th at Carrabba’s
Italian Grill

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AUGUST IN THE GARDEN

This year is a very typical August. We've had just enough rain and summer heat to produce crabgrass and other assorted weeds in abundance. Of course, this heat and humidity are great for tomatoes and other vegetables. Daylilies, on the other hand, do not like the high temperatures of "high" summer. The fans start thinning and go into a dormant state. They will stay dormant until the temperatures moderate in September. Then, the daylilies will start to grow again.

So what are daylilies doing right now? Spent scapes are in drying mode. When completely dry, a gentle tug will let you pull and collect the scapes. They can be discarded or mulched as I like to do with them. Seed pods are ripening, progressing from green to brown, and popping open. Begin to collect your seed pods. You will need to examine the pods daily to keep from losing seeds as the pods dry and open. Beware the deer like to eat the pods too. A fine mesh bag from your onion or lemon purchases can be placed over the pods to prevent the deer from ruining your hybridizing program. I recommend drying the seeds for a couple of days, placing them in plastic baggies with lead pencil labels, and refrigerating them for about ten days before planting. This helps break dormancy in the seeds. DO NOT FREEZE as this will be fatal to these harvested seeds. After a period of cooling in the refrigerator, the seeds can be planted in Fall or left in the frig. until next Spring. If Fall planted, only the strongest seedlings will survive, so Spring planting after any killing frost, will result in more surviving seedlings.

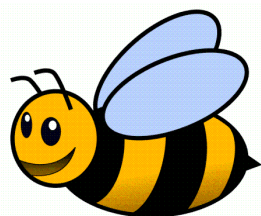
Late blooming daylilies are now beginning to start, including bud builder GOLDEN JUBILEE (Richards-V. '57) which will bloom until frost. Bill Gdaniec's HIGHVIEW VERMILIONAIRE (Gdaniec '16) was still blooming in my garden this month, so it appears to have some good late genes. As a DSL member, Bill generously donated several of his registered cultivars and HIGHVIEW was among them.

Unless we have adequate rainfall, keep your daylilies watered, and especially if you have potted daylilies that are waiting to go into the ground, keep your pots watered until the ideal planting time in September for our area. Look around to see where to plant next month. And last, daylilies are starting to proliferate along the scapes of some varieties, forming tiny new plants. If there are proliferations growing, do not pull out those scapes. They will stay green to nourish the proliferations. Next month at the DSL picnic we will probably have the annual proliferation swap. Bring your proliferation to the picnic, properly labeled, and you can "swap" it for one that you do not grow. Happy gardening. -- Richard Porter

Passing of past DSL member

Vincent Pacciano passed away on July 13, 2017, at his home in Jeffersonville, Indiana. He was 88 years old. "Vince" was very active in the Daylily Society of Louisville during the early years, helping in many capacities, wherever needed. He served as President and for many years, as vice President for programs and guest speakers. Vince participated in the digs and sales from the Farnsley Moreman propagation beds and Falls of the Ohio State Park. His entire home yard was planted with daylilies, which he generously shared with the Club. His wife had died before him, and he is survived by three sons and two daughters. Originally from Chicago, he came to Louisville to work for the General Electric Company. Vince often counted the attendance at the regular monthly meetings, happily announcing that over 100 (one hundred) people were in attendance. In those years, DSL had over 300 dues paying members. He counted himself in "the Indiana contingent", which included Dale and Marge Finney, Mac and Sheila Broughton, Joe and Mary Stone (both of whom came to our recent Daylily Show & Sale at Mid-City Mall), and Harvey and Betty Galvez.

Don't wear perfume in the garden — unless you want to be pollinated by bees. ~Anne Raver



Raffle Plants (2)



[Curtis High Memorial](#)

height 29 in., bloom 5 in., season La, Semi-Evergreen, Diploid, 22 buds, 3 branches, Light yellow with white midribs above green throat



[Spacecoast Cranberry Breeze](#)

height 24 in., bloom 5.5 in., season EM, Rebloom, Semi-Evergreen, Tetraploid, 30 buds, 3 branches, Cranberry self with gold edge above melon throat.



Bill Gdaniec introduction
'Highview Dimpled Darling'



Bill Gdaniec Introduction
'Highview Double Orange Frizz'