# Daylily Society of Minnesota

# President's Greetings By Dory Lidinsky

It is now 2021 with the promise of healing, hope, and new possibilities. Every new year we make goals and talk about the future but after the many experiences from the year 2020, any small progress and success brings joy and relief from some very dark and uncertain days. For Bill and I the garden and the daylily blooms provided a safe and happy environment to make up for cancelled plans and social distancing this summer.

The DSM also held its first ever virtual board meeting with 100% attendance in November! Our group has decided that we like virtual meetings-no driving needed-a big deal since about half of our board members drive 45-60 minutes one way to get to a meeting. Out of concern again to the dangers of the virus and thanks to most people's growing experience and comfort with virtual meetings, we will be hosting our first virtual semi-annual meeting in February (see event description). We have also set **tentative** dates for the Dig and Sale, the Off-Scape Show, and the Banquet (see event descriptions). Sadly the 2021 Regional Meeting in Iowa has been cancelled.

The summer garden tour has been modified to a week-end of open gardens around the Twin Cities with individuals free to chauffeur themselves in their own cars to the gardens they wish to visit. Look for more details on that event in the April newsletter.

Until then please continue to stay safe and well.





Board Member Steve Horan's Yard, Summer 2020



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### NOTICE!

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### **ATTENTION!**

Members who would like to participate in the Feb 28th Zoom meeting need to RSVP by Feb 24th. Contact Dory at

dlidinsky@comcast.net

with name and the email address to be used for the Zoom meeting. Further Zoom meeting instructions will be emailed prior to the meeting to those members who have signed up.

Sign up deadline is February 24, 2021. Meeting Feb. 28, 2021 at 1:00pm



Dogs, Cats and Pompadour Hats

### **OFF SCAPE SHOW!**

The Off Scape show is tentatively scheduled at the Arboretum August 1, 2021. Stay tuned for future information.



# Science & General Meeting

February 28, 2021 Zoom-RSVP

# Agenda

1:00pm-2:00pm Science Meeting

Mike Grossman & Karol Emmerich

2:00pm-2:10pm Business Meeting

2:10pm-3:30pm Presentation



Quintessential Daylilies Mike Georges Region 4, Zone 5



Wishing on a Star

Mike Georges is a retired organic chemistry professor from the University of Toronto.

He has a 10 acre property outside the city of Guelph, which is located approximately 30 miles west of Toronto. He plants between 1000 and 1200 daylily seedlings a year, starting them in his greenhouse in December and planting them outside in late May. He keeps his garden relatively small so that it is easy to maintain and grows organically using grass and leaves from neighbors to make his own compost.

His focus is on producing daylilies with vibrant clear colors, with some added teeth. He is also interested in conversions, not necessarily to convert diploids that interest him but more to understand the process of conversions with the goal of increasing the number of successful conversions with the least number of treated plants.

The presentation will include pictures of his property, previous introductions, new introductions and seedlings. He will discuss his methods of germinating and planting seeds as well as a discussion on the process of converting daylilies.



Candlelight Romance



Not Named After My Wife Linda





# 2021 Plant Adoption Program-Our Tenth Year!

NOTE: For 2021, you may use volunteer time from the last 3 years

Due to 2020 COVID. If you applied last year, your application has been held over and you do not need to apply again this year.

Club members choose and raise newer cultivars for 2-3 years and give the increase back to the Club for the Auction. Keep the original number of fans (up to 2) that you receive, and the Club gets the others to sell at the fall Auction---it's a WIN-WIN! We are hoping for big, fat, healthy fans to sell, so everyone needs to take the very best care they can of the babies!

### **Eligibility** (must meet all requirements every year):

Be a member of DSM for 2 years. Be current in club dues. Must submit application form.

Attend <u>any 2</u> of our 9 annual events (Feb. or Nov. regular meetings, Feb. or Nov. science meetings, Spring Fling, Dig & Sale, summer tour, Show or Banquet)

Assist at <u>one</u> of our events <u>or</u> miscellaneous help such as Plant Fairs, special club projects, serving on the Board or committees, hosting garden tours, etc., <u>or</u> donate plants to Plant Sale or Auction or helped at a Regional meeting we host.

Must sign and be willing to follow the contract (copies available upon request).

All members in a household that qualify are eligible to adopt!

#### **Contract highlights:**

DSM retains ownership of the plants and will ask for annual updates of their progress, and to be notified if the plant expires.

The member agrees to care for the plant to the best of their ability—adequate watering, fertilizing, weeding, no dividing of the plant and no seed pods allowed to form to promote the best growth.

If the member is not able to continue growing the plant, or is not a paid member of DSM, they will return the plant; and,

The member will dig the plant for the auction as directed, retaining the number of fans originally received—but not to exceed 2 fans.

	2021DSM Plant Adoption Application	1 Cut Here
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Address		
E-Mail		
• Member of DSM	A for 2+years? YesNo Current on Club dues? Yes	No
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• Donated plants	for auction or dig & sale? Yes No	
• Willing to care	for your plant and follow the terms of the contract? Yes	No
• What types of d	aylilies do you prefer to grow?	
<b>Speci</b> fic daylily cultiv	vars or hybridizers you recommend for the Club Plant program:	
Please send this appli	cation (email or snail mail) to: Kris Henning, Plant Adoption Progra	am Director;



# Gary Schaben In Memory

On Monday September 15, 2020 Gary Lyle Schaben of Elk River, MN passed away at the age of 73 years while watching the sun rise with his loving family.

Among his many trades, Gary found passion while hybridizing daylilies. In 2011 he won the Stout Medal from the American Hemerocallis Society for his daylily, "North Wind Dancer".

As a farmer and daylily genetics hobbyist, he was able to practice his problem-solving skills as an engineer and engage his creative mind as a journalist and a creative artist.

Gary was actively involved with many organizations throughout his life. His fondest memories involved contributing to the mission of the Daylily Society of MN, the American Hemerocallis Society, the Monticello Rod and Gun Club as well as many youth baseball organizations.

Before Gary moved from his home in Monticello he opened his daylily garden to the Daylily Society of MN two years in a row for the society's Dig and Sale. With all those daylily plants from his garden the DSM earned additional funds from the sale to continue to supplement their activities.

# Forty and Still Going Strong!

The Hemerocallis Society of Minnesota (aka The Daylily Society of MN) officially formed in 1980. Over the past 40 years we have been a very active group in terms of growing and promoting daylilies and hybridizing as well. Some of our members also serve on leadership positions at the regional and national level. The group officially incorporated in 1987 as the Hemerocallis Society of Minnesota. Among many honors, we are proud to have two members that received the Stout Medal award for one of their introductions: Karol Emmerich for Entwined in the Vine and Gary Schaben for North Wind Dancer. If anyone has some has any interesting history regarding our group or photographs please contact any of our board members.

## 1980 Charter Members

- Mary Ames
- Pam & Kenneth Anderson
- Clifford & Alice Benson
- Arthur & Ramona Blodgett
- Janice Broich
- Jerry & Carol Brown
- Norman & Annie Busse
- Walter & Grace Carlock

- Leroy & Mary Duvall
- Dave & Judy Goddard
- Ben & Hideko Gowen
- Harald & Evelyn Gulbrandson
- Glenn & Zula Hanson
- Michael & Jean Heger
- W. L. Jeffries, M. D.
- Charles & Michele Johnson

- David & Ann Johnson
- Steven John Kellev
- Donald Koza M. D.
- Richard & Janice Krahn
- Walter & Audrey Machulak
- Mary & Charles Martin
- James & Sheryl Paulson
- William & Ruby Preston
- Floyd & Virginia Richards
- Harriet Rode
- Jim & Lois Seeden

### 2021 BANQUET-SILENT AUCTION-AUCTION SUNDAY, AUGUST 16, 2020 MINNEAPOLIS MARRIOTT SOUTHWEST 5801 OPUS PARKWAY IN MINNETONKA

Join us for great food, fun, and fellowship – and of course, lots of great plants to add to your garden! Please contact Dory at <a href="mailto:dlidinsky@comcast.net">dlidinsky@comcast.net</a> or 763-786-1948 by August 10 with the names of the plants that you'd like to donate to the auction so she has ample time to prepare handouts. If you wish to donate to the silent auction, please contact Dory at <a href="mailto:dlidinsky@comcast.net">dlidinsky@comcast.net</a> or 763-786-1948. (FYI, we will not be having a bargain table).

The evening's schedule is as follows:

- ♦ 5:00 pm Photo contest voting, silent auction tables, Social Hour/cash bar
- ♦ 6:00 pm Dinner
- ♦ 7:00 Welcome, Program, Auction

# RSVP by Tuesday August 10 at 10pm. No RSVP's after that date!

Please send a check for \$25, payable to DSM, and a note to Karol Emmerich indicating whether you would prefer chicken or pork or vegetarian or a special meal for dinner (eg gluten free, nut free, etc). Or you can call or email Karol.



Karol Emmerich 7700 Old Highway 169 Boulevard Jordan, MN 55352 kdemmerich@aol.com or 952-941-9280





### Did you Know?

Plant adoption plants that are 2+ years old are included in the DSM's annual plant auctionfabulous fundraising efforts!



# Open DSM Board Opportunity

Seeking volunteer for Plant Sales Director. Interested members please contact **Dory at** dlidinsky@comcast.net for additional information.

A big "thank you" to Jenn Lanz for her service to the board.



Photo by Steve Horan at his home

### **SUMMER TOUR**

In lieu of the guided garden tour in 2021 DSM is asking members to volunteer opening their gardens on July 24-25.

Interested volunteers please email Bary Whiteaker at

barry.wh105@gmail.com

and provide a paragraph description of the garden, a picture if possible, dates and times of open garden, address, phone.

Deadline for submission is March 20.

### 2020 Stout Silver Medal Award

The Stout Silver Medal for the year 2020 was awarded to 'I Lava You', which was hybridized by Sandy Holmes of Bellbrook, Ohio. It is the highest honor of the American Hemerocallis Society. 'I Lava You' is super hardy here in zone 4, increases quickly, has beautiful color, is stunning in a clump, and is a favorite of visitors. Sandy is pictured here (on the left) with Stout Medal winners Nan Ripley (2019) and Karol Emmerich (2018).



Photo of 'I Lava You' was taken by Rhonda Veroeven at Springwood Gardens in Jordan, MN.



Photo of Sandy Holmes, Nan Ripley and Karol Emmerich

# PHOTO CONTEST

- Photos must contain at least one "live" daylily plant or bloom.
- Winners of Each Category will receive \$25 "Daylily Bucks" to be used at the Banquet Auction on August 16, 2020
- Members are eligible to win one of the five categories.
- No limit on photos

# Categories

- 1) Cultivar Single Bloom (provide the name)
- 2) Cultivar Two or More Blooms (provide the name)
- 3) Seedling Single Bloom
- 4) Daylilies in the Landscape
- 5) Open (Anything With Daylilies)
  Category 5 includes almost anything
  (be creative):
  - Art and Nature
  - Members and Friends in the Garden
  - Daylily Disasters
  - Ugly Blooms

Deadline for entries: Send or Email Photos to:

August 11, 2021

Bill Lidinsky bbbbluesky@yahoo.com

2841 147<sup>th</sup> Ave NE Ham Lake, MN 55304

Cell: 763-786-1948

### **MEMBERSHIP CORNER**

Please look at your address label as it should have a date listed through which your DSM dues are paid.

# If the date is older than 2020, you owe dues to keep your membership active

Please send your dues check—\$5 per year— to our Treasurer Bill Lidinsky, 2841 147th Ave NE, Ham Lake, MN 55304

Please include your: Name, Street Address, City, State, Zip Code, Telephone and E-Mail



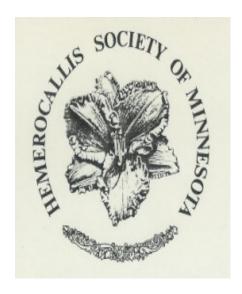
DSM on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/groups/DaylilySocietyMinnesota/

DSM Website: www.daylilysocietyofminnesota.org

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#### **Address Correction Requested**



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DAYLILYSOCIETYOF MINNESOTA.ORG

### **FACEBOOK:**

DAYLILY SOCIETY OF MINNESOTA



### 2021 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

February 2,2021 Member Zoom Meeting

June 5, 2021 Dig –location to be announced

June 6, 2021 Sale @ Bachman's July 24 & 25, 2021 Open Gardens August 1, 2021 Offscape Show

August 15,2021 Banquet, Auction & Silent Auction October 31, 2021 Tentative Fall Meeting, location TBD

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The Daylily Society of Minnesota was founded in 1980 as a 501(3)