# Daylily Society of Minnesota DSM Daylily News

### **Calendar of Events**

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Oct. 27	Science Meeting @Karol Emmerich's, Edina		
Oct.	Program & General Meeting		
28	@Bachman's		
Jan.	Board Meeting		
5	@Karol Emmerich's, Edina		
Feb.	Science Meeting @Karol Emmerich's, Edina		
Feb.	Program & General Meeting		
10	@Bachman's		
Apr. 28	Spring Fling @Springwood Gardens		
July	AHS National Convention		
24-27	@Doubletree		
Aug.	Auction Banquet		
18	@Doubletree		

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# Presidential Ramblings

#### **Welcome to Fall!**

First frost, beautifully-colored trees, crisp air. A time to pause and reflect before we head indoors for the winter.

I just returned from our Fall Board Meeting, as well as the AHS National Convention planning meeting, and I have news to share with you all. We are all a-buzz with what needs to be done to have a great AHS National Convention this next summer. Hotel, meals, tour gardens, meeting spaces, boutique space, raffles, silent auction, plant auction, guest plants, gift plants, seedling competition plants, bargain table plants, communication, web site, registration, and so on it goes! It has all been discussed, and will continue to be discussed! It is a huge undertaking, which requires a lot from our club.

Keeping that in mind, DSM will be restructuring the activities for the upcoming year: we are going to give the Dig & Sale, the Plant Adoption Program, the DSM Tour, and the Off-Scape Show a rest so that we can focus our time and talents on the upcoming Convention. While some of these activities are typically scheduled at the same time as the Convention, all of them use the same volunteer help needed to prepare for and put on the Convention. These activities will be back in full force in 2014, and we are planning to have a blow-out celebration at the 2013 Banquet and Auction when this is all over! The bottom line in this is that we do not want to over-extend ourselves!

The Convention is going to be great! There will be hundreds of people here from around the country who share our love of daylilies and gardening. Being together with other daylily enthusiasts gives us a new surge of creative energy to put into our own gardening. We have a lot to share with our guests from around the country, and they with us. This Convention provides us with a great opportunity for growth that only comes around every once in a while. Let's all take advantage of what this gathering has to offer! Go DSM!

Amanda Engstrom



### Open Invite to Sunday Brunch



with Mike Grossmann and Karol Emmerich

October 28th, starting at 11:15 a.m.

Meet at Patrick's Café at Bachman's Prior to the General Meeting on Sunday afternoon

Please RSVP to Steve Horan (651-402-4681 or <a href="mailto:smhoran@gmail.com">smhoran@gmail.com</a>) by Friday, October 26th, so that Steve can make advance reservations.

# **DSM General Meeting**

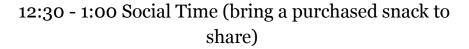


(Open to the Public—bring a friend!)

Sunday, October 28, 2012

Bachman's Garden Center Heritage Room

### Agenda





1:00 - 4:00 Business meeting, speaker Mike Grossman, Pictionary Game (with prizes!), Photo Contest Rule Changes, and National Convention Update.



## About our October Speaker:

Mike Grossmann has been hybridizing northern hardy daylilies in southern Minnesota since 1999. He will be talking about his daylily breeding program. Mike enjoys working with flowers with bold eyes and edges, teeth, purples, and large unusual forms. He and his fiancée, Kathleen Nordstrom, are looking forward to seeing approximately eight thousand first and second year seedlings bloom next summer.

In addition to his breeding program, Mike runs Northern Lights Daylilies and sells from his website as well as the Lily Auction. Mike has a Ph.D. in molecular biology and does breast cancer research for his day job.

Please visit Mike and Kathleen's greenhouse and seedling beds on Sunday after the 2013 National convention next July.

# Photo Contest Rule Changes

I want your input for possible new categories for our annual photo contest. Please bring your suggestions to our meeting on October 28th. If you are unable to attend, please contact me before that date.

The current four categories each receive \$50 in "Daylily Bucks" which can be spent at our auction, bargain table or dig & sale:

- \*Single Blossom Close-Up of a registered cultivar
- \*Single Blossom Close-Up of a seedling
- \*Multiple Bloom photo of any single cultivar showing two or more blooms
- \*Daylilies in the Landscape



Jerry Steffenhagen



# Some of Mike Grossmann's newest daylily introductions:



See this newsletter in full color at our website:

DaylilySocietyofMinnesota.org

**Taylors Afterglow** 



**Merry Jos Delight** 





# 2013 AHS National Convention Daylilies? You betcha!

Volunteers made our last national convention a huge success. Get involved for the 2013! It's a fun way to mingle and meet with daylily growers from all over the country. Here are some of the areas where we need workers:

\*Garden Workers: Help is needed before and during the convention, especially for deadheading!

Gardens and locations: Kyle Billadeau (Chaska); Karol Emmerich (Jordan); Steve Horan (Woodbury); Kathy Lamb (Champlin); Judie McGraw (Lakeland); Keith Miller (Stillwater)

- \*Registration Committee
- \*Bus Committee: Navigators, Organizers, Pre-convention Prep
- \*Lunch hosts on Garden Tour days at lunch locations
- \*Optional Arboretum Tour Thursday (before Garden Tour days)
- \*Hospitality at the convention hotel
- \*Boutique at the convention hotel
- \*Bargain Table at the convention hotel
- \*Live Auction at the convention hotel
- \*Liaison for Exhibition Judges Clinics
- \*Photographers at all locations
- \*Fill-ins as needed

If you missed signing up at the February Meeting and want to volunteer, please contact Convention Volunteer Coordinator Amanda Engstrom.



# Off-Scape Show was a success!



The tables at our Off-Scape Show attracted close scrutiny from the public viewers. Thanks to Shelle Litterer for a beautiful

show!





Karol Emmerich's Seedling (above) won the Best Seedling Award at the Off-Scape Show, as judged by the voting public.

Karol Emmerich's 'Magnify The Lord' (right) won the Show's Favorite Cultivar Award.



# Plant Adoption Choosing was Intense!

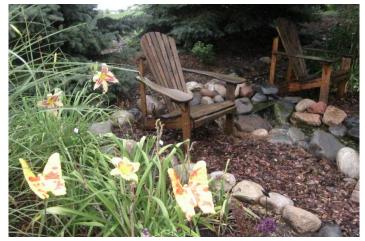
Kris Henning (in pink shirt) kept eager Plant Adoption participants systematically choosing their adopted cultivars during the Dig's dinner break at Kyle Billadeau's.



A unique planter at Jerry & Jolly Steffenhagen's garden (above). A corner respite at Jenn McGee's garden (right).



# Garden Tour showcased 4 unique gardens!



Butterflies entertain visitors to Steve Horan's garden (above). Water enhances daylilies at Keith Miller's garden (right).







Elsie Riggs, Jean Hjellming, and Chair Dawn Tubbesing (right) work with Eureka pricing for labeling plants for the sale.

# Thank you!

A big THANK YOU goes out again this year for all the great volunteers we had for the 2012 Dig & Sale! And for all the wonderful plants that were donated! A special THANKS to Linda and Dave for hauling all the plants that were donated to the sale at Bachman's. Thanks to Elsie who took our left-over plants and held another sale in her area, adding to our profit. Without all the great volunteers, we couldn't make this all work so well.

# Next Year

If you have plants that you plan to dig and divide in 2013, please consider donating to the National Convention Bargain Table in July or to our own Banquet Auction in August.

We are cancelling the Dig & Sale for 2013 so people will not get too burned out, rather saving their volunteer energy for the National Convention. We will have a bargain table for plants set up at the National. I'll be looking for people to donate plants for this instead. There are a few things that are different for the National Bargain Table. Plants that are donated to the bargain table need to be cleaned and separated before donation. Each fan should already be marked with the name of the plant. Varieties need to be a little more expensive than our normal Dig & Sale plants that we sell to the general public. We will also be needing donated plants for our



Jerry Steffenhagen with cleaned plants from the dig at Kyle Billadeau's.

August Banquet Auction and again in 2014 for our Dig & Sale. If at anytime between now and the Convention you know what you will be donating, please send me the list so pictures can be located and printed as this takes time to do. Pictures sell more plants. Think about volunteering to help with the National Bargain Table. There will be many jobs to do so you're bound to find something you will enjoy.



### Do you like to write? Consider writing for our AHS Region I Pioneer. You could be one of next year's newsletter award winners!

#### **Newsletter Award Definitions**

- **Article About Cultivars--**This award is given to a feature article written about a registered daylily/daylilies or seedling(s). The article focus is centered on the cultivar(s).
- Article About Gardens--This award is given to a feature article written with a focus on a garden or gardens. The article can discuss any plants or landscape of daylilies, but must focus on total garden aspects.
- **Article About a Hybridizer--**This award is given to a feature article written about a daylily hybridizer, or hybridizers, who has/have registered cultivars and also has/have cultivars in commerce.
- Article About Daylily Culture--This award is given to a feature article that describes how to get your daylilies to grow better. Examples of subjects might be weed prevention, fertilizer, pest control, natural predators, hydroponics, foliage controls, or similar areas.
- Scientific Article--This award is given to a feature article that involves research or expert opinion.
- **Article Using Humor--**This award is given to a feature article that has any daylily or gardening subject and uses humor throughout the article.
- Article About Hybridizing--This award is given to a feature article that describes methods, theories, or procedures about the aspects of hybridizing daylilies.
- Article Demonstrating a Specific Aspect of Garden Design--This award is given to a
  feature article that describes single or multiple gardens and the specific aspect of garden
  design, including subjects of hardscaping, general garden design, statuary, or other garden
  features.
- **Article About Photographing Daylilies--**This award is given to a feature article that describes any methods, equipment or procedures used to photograph daylilies.
- Article About Gardening Technology--This award is given to a feature article that describes technologies used in and assisting in the science of daylilies, including subjects of databases, software, and hardware.
- Article Featuring Historical Aspects--This award is given to a feature article that describes a cultivar, person, organization, logo, or other from purely a historical point of view.
- Article About Daylily Personalities--This award is given to a feature article written about a non-hybridizer(s) in the daylily community, focusing on his/her work for AHS, Region, or local clubs promoting AHS and daylilies.
- Youth Article--This award is given to a feature article written by or about a youth member of AHS or local club.
- Editorial Special Award--This award is given to a feature article that does not fit into a current article award category and is outstanding in content, form, or subject matter.



## Science Meeting

Saturday October 27, 2012 7-10 PM

Karol Emmerich's 7304 Claredon Drive, Edina

### Join us for a discussion centering on hybridizing topics.

Please bring digital pictures of your seedlings to share with the group.

Please let Karol know if there's anything specific you'd like to have covered (kdemmerich@aol.com or 952-941-9280).

**Directions to Karol's:** Take Crosstown 62 to Gleason Road exit (this is just east of Hwy 169). Go south on Gleason about a mile and a half to where it intersects with Dewey Hill Road. Go left on Dewey Hill Road 3 blocks (going east). Turn left on Claredon and go to the end of the street.

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### The Greenhouse is full!

Save the date of Sunday, April 28, 2013, for Region I's Spring Fling at Springwood Gardens. There are over 3,000 seedlings in the greenhouse and lots of new introductions from hybridizer and award winner, Karol Emmerich. Regardless of Minnesota's fickle weather, the greenhouse will be abloom for visitors from around the Region.

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### **DSM Auction 2012**

The 2012 DSM auction was another success for the banquet guests with great prices for great plants! There were 80 cultivars available, with many from Phil and Luella Korth's Pinewood Gardens in Wisconsin.

Many came from the Plant Adoption Program and the balance came from our generous local hybridizers and members. Thank you to all who donated plants to either the Bargain Table or the Auction.

John & Barbara Sautner, Auction Chairs

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