

Autumn  
2016

Daylily Society of Minnesota  
DSM Daylily News

## Calendar of Events

Oct 29	Science Meeting @ Hampton Inn Airport
Oct 30	Program & General Meeting @ Bachman's
Jan 7	Board Meeting @ Steve Horan's
Feb 26	Program & General Meeting @ Bachman's

## *Presidential Ramblings*

**Dear Members,**

Well, here we are at the end of the gardening season. What is a daylily lover to do?

**REFLECTIONS** As we put our garden beds to sleep, we also reflect back on the gardening season that was. We got an early start this year as the snow was gone in March. We also had a lot of rain this year. I only turned my sprinkler system on one time. One time! So much for the drought we've experienced the last few years. The plants loved it, but so did the weeds. Weeding was an essential gardening chore this

year. The plants were huge. My sister loves to grow cannas and she told me they grew to 7 and 8' tall in her garden. How did your plants do? Did you discover some new favorites this year? Did you attend any daylily club events this year?

**A LOOK BACK** For me, our daylily club events add a great deal to the gardening experience and the enjoyment of our favorite flower, the daylily. Most of all, I enjoy the daylily friends we meet along the way. We had a great turnout at the daylily Dig at the Schaben residence this year. It was fun to see some new gardens on our club Tour while enjoying a delicious lunch at Tria Restaurant. The Off-Scape Show was a great success at the Arboretum and continues to be one of my favorites and one of our best outreach events. The Banquet and Auction continues to be a great way to cap off the season and pick up some new daylilies for the garden. I hope you were able to join us for some of these club events and look forward to everyone's participation next year.

**COMING ATTRACTIONS** I hope you'll plan to join us this winter for more club events. We meet at Bachman's in October and February where we get to hear speakers from around the country and see beautiful pictures of daylilies and landscapes. Each Speaker Program club event is paired with a Science Meeting on the preceding evening. What happens at a Science Meeting? We discuss crosses and hybridizing tips and techniques and of course we socialize. Isn't that the best part? The social times and friendships we make along the way are priceless.

**DAYLILY DREAMING** I think winter time is also a time to make plans for what to do in our gardens next spring. Sometimes a good renovation is called for and sometimes we are just making tweaks to our garden beds, resolving to stay ahead of the weeds, or culling out old plants for new acquisitions on our wish list. In my own case, I've decided to renovate the garden. Over time, my garden has become crowded and I've lost some of the sunshine that the daylilies love so much. So this fall, I've already taken out 20+ trees and shrubs to clear out some of the clutter. What a difference! This gives me back considerable space that I hope to use to full advantage with new planting areas. I'm taking pictures and measurements and will be making plans all winter long for planting ideas next spring. I love this time of year as it rejuvenates the gardening soul and gives us something to look forward to. What are your plans? I hope they include the DSM club events. There is something for everyone. Bring a friend. See you soon!

*Steve Horan*



# DSM General Meeting

(Open to the Public—*bring a friend!*)

**Sunday, October 30, 2016**

**Bachman's Garden Center Heritage Room**



## ***Agenda***

**11:15 - 12:30** Sunday Brunch

*with Eric Simpson and  
Margaret Macneale*

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

No Reservations are  
necessary--*just show up!*

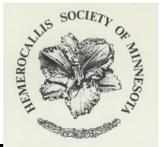
**12:15 - 1:00** Social Time (*bring a snack to share with the group*)

**1:00 - 1:15** Bi-annual business meeting

**1:15 - 2:15** Guest speaker Eric Simpson "The Daylilies of Eric Simpson at Blue Ridge Daylilies (North Carolina)"

**2:15 - 2:30** Social time

**2:30 - 3:30** Guest speaker Margaret Macneale, Daffodil Society of Minnesota, "Fall Bulbs Bring Spring Bloom"



# Science Meeting

Saturday, October 29, 2016

7 - 10 p.m.

Hampton Inn by the Airport and Mall of America  
2360 Metro Drive, Bloomington, MN 55425

Join us for a discussion centering on hybridizing topics with Eric Simpson.  
(*Four of his seedlings are pictured below.*) Please bring digital pictures of your

seedlings to share with the group. Please let Science Chair Mike

Grossmann know if there's anything specific you'd like to have covered:

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## ***Meet our Guest Speakers:***

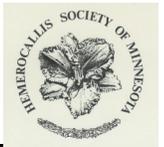
### **Eric Simpson**

Daylily hybridizing has been my passion for the past 15 years and the journey has been an exciting one! I began hybridizing in Indiana in 2001 where I was very active in AHS Region 2. I moved to the mountains of western North Carolina last year to be a part of Blue Ridge Daylilies near Asheville. Our elevation of 2300 feet is a great test for hardiness and vigor due to our late frosts. My hybridizing focus: vigorous northern hardy plants with fancy faces and exceptional plant habit. I am especially passionate about creating color combinations that we don't often see in daylilies. I've spoken at over two dozen daylily societies and several symposiums. It is always a pleasure to share my passion for daylily hybridizing and to meet new folks abroad!



### **Margaret Macneale**

Margaret Macneale was a U of M Extension Service Master Gardener for nine years, but left to focus more on spring-flowering bulbs. Margaret has grown daffodils for 26 years, following in the footsteps of her mother and maternal grandfather. She has encouraged many relatives and friends to grow them as well. She is currently the President of the Daffodil Society of Minnesota, and serves on the Board of the American Daffodil Society as Chair of the national Awards Committee. She exhibits in local, and occasionally, in national shows.



# *Photo Contest Winners*

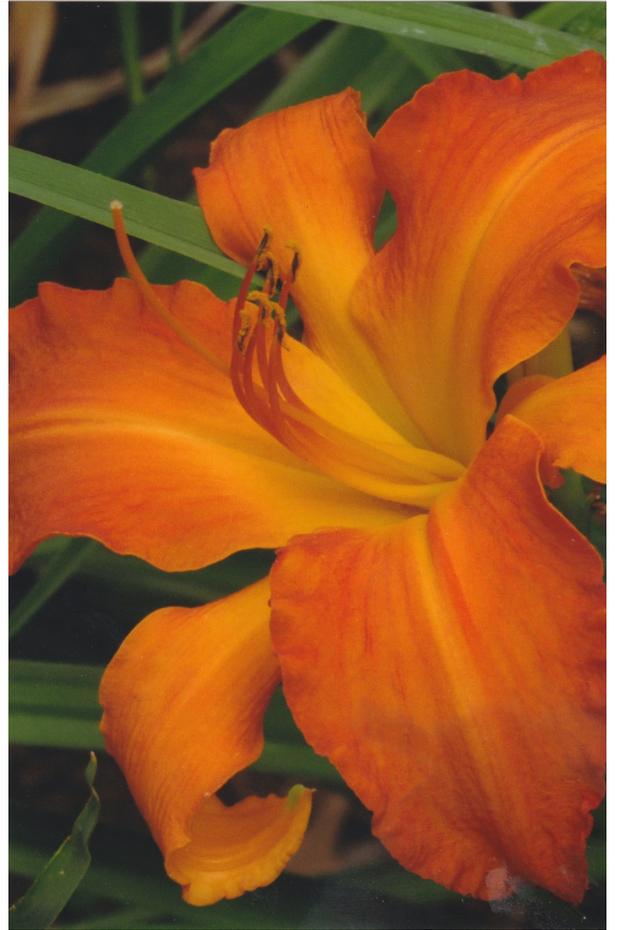
*You voted at our annual Banquet and the winners received \$50 in "Daylily Bucks" to spend at our Auction or Bargain Table.*



*Pictured above is Robin Stanislav's winning photo of a Single Blossom of a Seedling category; 17 entries.*



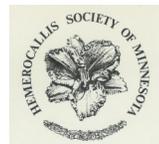
*Pictured at left is Steve Horan's winning photo of 'Easton James' in the Daylily Clump category; 27 entries.*



*Pictured above left is Kathleen Nordstrom's winning photo in the Art and Nature in the Garden category; 11 entries.*

*Pictured above right is Don Unruh's winning photo in the Single Blossom of a Registered Cultivar category; 28 entries.*

*Pictured at left is Kyle Billadeau's winning photo in Daylilies in the Landscape category; 11 entries.*



# Call for Plant Parents!

Our **Plant Adoption Program** is a reward for working as a volunteer for the Club during the year. Please apply! You get to choose and raise a newer cultivar for three years but you must give the increase back to the Club for our Auction. You get to keep the original number of fans that you received up to two, and the Club gets the funds at the Auction---it's a WIN-WIN situation for all! We are hoping for big, fat, healthy fans to auction in three years.

The Board has voted to continue this program again for next year, so I hope everyone who is eligible will submit an application to adopt a daylily! Application forms are included in this newsletter and are due by our fall meeting on October 30, 2016! You may either mail them to Kris Henning or bring to the meeting that day. If you have any questions, please contact either Kris Henning or Karol Emmerich.

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

- ◆ Be a member of DSM for two years and current in club dues.
- ◆ Attend any two of our nine annual events: Winter or Autumn Program or Science meetings, Spring Fling, Dig & Sale, Summer Bus Tour, Off-Scape Show, or Banquet and Auction.
- ◆ Assist at one of the above events or help at Plant Fairs, special club projects, serving on the Board or committees, hosting garden tours, or donating plants to our Plant Sale or Auction.
- ◆ Must submit application form.
- ◆ Must sign and be willing to follow the contract.
- ◆ All members in a household that qualify are eligible to adopt!

Application Form  
See insert in this newsletter!

## Contract highlights:

- ◆ DSM retains ownership of the plants and will ask for annual updates of their progress, and to be notified if the plant dies;
- ◆ 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 no longer a dues-paying member of DSM, they must return the plant; and,
- ◆ the member must dig the plant for the Club's Auction as directed, retaining the number of fans originally received, but not to exceed two fans.

## Daylily Dreams in '17

### **DSM will be hosting the Region 1 Meeting in 2017 from July 28-30.**

We would love to have several open gardens to offer visitors to next summer's Regional Meeting. Open garden hours would be on Friday and on Sunday. Open garden hosts can do one day or both days.

All you need is a willingness to share your daylily garden!





## DSM Summer 2016 Events in Review

*Spring Fling drew daylily enthusiasts from as far away as Illinois in early May. Pictured below is Science Board member Mike Grossmann leading a hybridizing discussion in Karol Emmerich's greenhouse.*



*Our fund-raising Dig at Gary Schaben's in late May drew many hands to make light work. Members dug plants, washed them, and made labels for our Sale the next day at Bachman's. The club netted over \$1700 from our members' donations and labor. The leftover plants from our Sale were planted at Kris Henning's and then taken for the Bargain Table at the Region I Meeting in South Dakota where they raised funds for the Region.*





*Our Garden Tour in late July drew a busload of members and guests. Lunch was included at Tria Restaurant for a cost of only \$10 to members (\$15 for guests).*

*Our membership displays a wide range of gardening styles.*



*Tour participants eagerly arrived to admire Patti Preston's gardens.*

*Melissa and Robert Barrett's gardens offered a serene landscape.*



*Sami Gabriel's gardens featured a waterless creek and bridge.*



*Our Off-Scape Show is always a fun and rewarding event. Our Show featured 250 named cultivars as well as 98 seedlings, displayed indoors on tables at the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum. In each category, the public was invited to vote for their favorite blossom.*

*Photographers were snapping pictures of their favorites in the photo above. At right is a close-up of how simple the display is to make for a beautiful and inviting Show for the public.*





## Membership Corner

### When Are My Dues Due?

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 2017, you owe dues to keep your membership current!*

Please send your dues check to our Treasurer Barry Whiteaker. Please contact Barry if there are any discrepancies from your address label to your personal records of dues payment:

10507 Vessey Road  
Bloomington, MN 55437

### Moving? New E-mail?

If you change your e-mail or have moved, please let Barry Whiteaker, our Treasurer, know. The Post Office does not forward our newsletters after a few weeks of your change and we often don't get a forwarding address to re-mail it to you.

*Please include your*

Name, Street address,  
City, State, Zip Code,  
Telephone, and E-mail.

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