



# NEDS Bulletin

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New England Daylily Society

## Meeting Agenda for April 9, 2011

- 8:00 Set- up for hospitality (volunteers needed to help)
- 9:00 Board meeting
- 9:30 Social time (Food donations from members, last names A-L)
- 10:00 Pat Wessling will lead a discussion and display photos of your favorite daylilies and companion plants
- 12:00 Lunch Break
- 1:00 Guest Speaker: Richard Norris
- 3:30 Clean- up (volunteers needed to help)

### Upcoming meetings and activities:

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| May 14      | Members Plant Sale                     |
| July 23     | NEDS Daylily Exhibition at Tower Hill  |
| August 27   | Public Plant Sale                      |
| October 1   | Guest speaker- Michael Bouman          |
| November 12 | Soups On and guest speaker Gil Stelter |

All meetings held at Tower Hill Botanic Garden  
11 French Hill, Boylston, Mass  
See <http://www.towerhillbg.org> for directions

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of printing and postage.*

## **NEDS President's Message:**

I see ground. Okay it was covered back with snow again this week, but spring has officially arrived! It is still light when I get home, so every evening I walk about the garden. I have more critter damage than expected. I have the usual track in the ground/mud from the moles / voles / chipmunks, but I am also seeing larger holes. I assume from the groundhogs. Houston we have a problem!

I was glad to see a full house at the last meeting. Mort and David gave us a real treat. I loved seeing the garden shots with the hills in their "new" Kentucky home. I was lucky enough to be high bidder on Whiskey Fire (perfect for my booze bed). This month's speaker is Richard Norris. I grow a number of his cultivars and can't wait to see what he is working on.

Once again the potluck was a huge success! Thanks to everyone who brought dishes in. Remember, if you didn't bring anything in, you need to pay \$10.

If you didn't get enough of Mort, he is a featured speaker at this year's Can-Am Classic. The early bird deadline is just around the corner (April 1<sup>st</sup> – no fooling). I am going again this year and will be happy to car pool with anyone who wants to go. It is great fun, the speakers are always fabulous and they have a great plant auction (they have an inspector come in for free phyto to get back over the border). You will need a passport (unless you are in a state that has enhanced driver's license). David, too, will be speaking again in Region 4. He is the speaker at the peak bloom summer regional, also in Canada this year. I am really looking forward to that. I'm hoping to be able to stop at some open gardens along the way. And let's not forget my road trip to the National in Baton Rouge.

We will have to make a stop in Tennessee on the way back for my husband as he wants to go to Cooter's place (he has been watching way too much Dukes of Hazzard lately).

While I was slow to start, I have made up for that on the Lily Auction. I have discovered Rick Yost (George Jets On) lists his plants there. Once you buy one... I just had to have Jane Hizwife. So far I have only bought 2 of the Award of Merit winners, so I'm still looking for more. The garden judges' ballot has arrived this week, so I have been carefully studying it. Remember, if you are in your last year of your five year term you will have to refresh. With the Regional in Canada, I was hoping to get a workshop together closer to home. For anyone who wants to become a garden judge, we can also hold a Garden Judges 1 workshop.

I think the spring is the cat's favorite season. I tend to keep the blinds down in the winter to keep the cold air out. In the spring, the blinds are opened and the sun feels warmer. The slider will start to be opened so they can smell the fresh air, and the "mini greenhouse" goes up. This is quite the holiday for them. I have a lot of feline assistance with setting it up. Each shelf must be individually tested by each of the cats (and some times in pairs). Once the cover goes in – it becomes the favorite high place. The view of the backyard must be so much better up there as there is usually a cat there. Second most favorite place is on the bottom shelf. I use heating pads as seed starting mats, and the plastic cover doesn't go all the way to the ground. This view is even better if there happens to be a bird on the deck. They haven't learned to escape through this door – yet. I expect they will learn to this summer.

— Kim Walters

[A note from Mary Hull -  
North Orchard Gardens, Monson,  
MA:](#)

I am looking to sell my daylily business. With my mother needing more care at the age of 93 and in a wheel chair I need to spend more time with her. Last selling season she was in rehab for 7 weeks. With her being 1 ½ hrs away it takes away from my gardening time. So the choice is selling my business. (Well one of them. I still own my beauty salon.) I have almost 2,000 varieties of daylilies and over \$60,000 in stock. My mailing list and photos of the daylilies will go with the sale.

I am looking for a price of \$15,000. If I do not sell before selling season I will be having a liquidation sale 3 weekends in July, starting July 9th. If you are interested please email me for more information.

Thank You.

Think Spring,

Mary Hull

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**April Door Prize Plants**



**TASHEENA WARRIOR PRINCESS (Matzek 2010) 38" ML 7" DOR TET (Windham Screaming Carl x Autumn Jewels) Large bright yellow flower with a rich purple eye and edge. 3 way branching 15 buds. VALUE: \$35**



**WINDHAM SORORITY GIRL (Matzek 2010) 26" M 5" SEV TET (Orange Diva x All The Magic) Pink and melon blend ruffled edge. 3 way branching 15 buds. VALUE: \$35**



**WHIP CITY SQUIGLIE (Jones, L. 2010) [WHIP CITY ZINGIE '09 (KNOLL COTTAGE TOTSIE MAMA '07 x RED SUSPENDERS) X AS-TRAL VOYAGER] Tetraploid, EV, EM, UFO, CRISPATE, Twisting, 37 inches tall, 6 inch flower as is, 3 way branching (1 lateral plus a Y) with a 13 BC. No fragrance. Instant re-bloom. Pod fertile. (I have not used the pollen). Hardy Zone 5. Value: \$150**

## **Secretary's Report – March 12th, 2011**

### **NEDS Board Meeting**

Board members absent were Lisa and Paul Bourret.

Items not discussed at the business meeting:

August Sale – Contract information was discussed. The rental cost for the Wakefield-Lynnfield Masonic Lodge was \$250. Contract was signed by the president.

### **Program**

The morning and afternoon programs were given by David Kirchhoff and Mort Morss. David auctioned off some of the plants that were in his presentation.

### **Business Meeting**

The business meeting was presided over by the President, Kim Walters. There were 74 people present including one new person, Christine Donahue. Welcome, Christine, we hope to see you often. Christine received an free AHS membership donated to her by Allison Nolan who actually won the free membership.

1. The remaining Eureka's were delivered to those purchasing them.
2. The treasurer presented the financial report for 2010 and the budget for 2011. Both were approved.
3. The new location for the August public sale was announced: The Wakefield-Lynnfield Masonic Lodge.
4. Someone raised an issue about raffles and non-profit organizations. Adele took an action to look into the rules for raffles.
5. The Saxton gardens are moving to NC, and offering bulk sales to Daylily clubs.
6. Gary Jones invited all to the CT Daylily Society's meeting in Avon, CT the following Saturday at noon to see Curt Hanson speak.

7. Dan Pessoni mentioned that the date for the exhibition was wrong in the newsletter, it is Saturday, the 23 of July.
8. Dan Pessoni also mentioned that July 22-26 was the American Hosta Society's national convention down the Cape. The local hosta club is very small and he was looking for volunteers to help with the meeting. Anyone interested in helping can call Nadine Proctor at 508-981-6043, email [dragonfly01701@yahoo.com](mailto:dragonfly01701@yahoo.com).
9. Door prize plant winners were:  
ABBEY PURPLE                      Mary Hull  
PRELUDE TO PANOPLY      Andrew Reilly  
TOAST AND JAM                      Mary Howe

Respectfully submitted,  
Dorothy Campbell, Secretary

## **From The Program Chair:**

Hello All!

Pat Wessling here enjoying a snowy beginning to the first days of spring! My New England never ceases to amaze me!

Last month's program was a rollicking success! Thanks to David, Mort and all of the bidding that went on it was truly a great success in all ways! What great fun! They were a lot of fun! This month promises to be a lot of fun and greatly informative with Richard Norris of Ashwood Daylilies in Ohio who will be speaking in the afternoon. He breeds truly beautiful northern hardy daylilies of great distinction. His plants are genuinely pretty and great breeders. After his presentation, he will auction some of his cultivars to be shipped to the winners this spring --- so bring your checkbooks! This is a great opportunity to get some of his beauties! I know I will look forward to bidding! He

has both great tetraploid and diploid introductions, so there will be something to please everyone!

The morning program will be a discussion of your favorites--- daylilies and other garden plants--- from last season and I will attempt to find those online and show pictures of them on the screen. I think it will be nice to see what performs well in fellow members' gardens and hear what does well in each of our zones. We all can learn things from each other about what performs well in our different locations. It should be fun and interesting. Also we will endeavor to discover what we all use to amend our soils. Some of us do great things to help our daylilies along and others (like me) do very little! It is great to hear what can be done to assist our favorite plants! So come on in and help us share some information with each other and have some fun!

I look forward to seeing you all there again! I love to see the room full so come one, come all and bring a friend! We love to have new members!! The more the merrier!

Take care and stay WARM!

Be well,  
Pat Wessling  
Program Chair

### [From the May Auction Chair:](#)

The May Sales and Auction is right around the corner, and this is a great opportunity for short term volunteering! Assistance would be great with the following:

3 persons of any age – Youth encouraged – to act as runners.

3 persons to help with invoices and check out.

1 person to help organize the plants to be auctioned (i.e., all of the same cultivar in one lot).  
As always...auctioneers requested! Anyone who wants to try their hand at auctioneering, step on up!

### TABLE RESERVATIONS:

**Reservations must be made by April 25, 2011. No exceptions!!**

*Two changes have been made to table reservations:*

1. You may reserve for yourself only. If you plan on sharing table space, I will need the other seller to call or email me to let me know their intent.
2. In order to ensure equal opportunity at table space, the number of tables allotted per seller may be restricted as necessary. This includes the possibility of having to drop down table numbers closer to the deadline.

### PHYSICAL ALLOCATION OF TABLES:

Tables will be self allocated on a "first come, first serve" basis. Each seller will have a namecard to pick up on the morning of the auction that will match the number of tables requested. It is your responsibility to place your card on the table you want. Tables cannot be claimed by using plants, boxes, coffee cups, computers, cash boxes, or any other item.

I will not be at the March meeting, so please email me at [weedingaway@cox.net](mailto:weedingaway@cox.net) or call me at (401) 290-8755 to reserve your table for sales.



**NEW Location**  
**for NEDS August Sale!**

As we are all hoping for a much greater public attendance at our August Plant Sale, it was decided that we should try holding our summer fund raiser at a different location.

On August 27, 2011 our August Plant sale will be held at: **The Wakefield-Lynnfield Masonic Lodge, 372 Salem Street, Wakefield, MA**

This location is close to both Rtes 93 and 128, and is approximately a 30 minute drive from the Cambridge/Boston area. With proper PR, we will attract many folks to our sale, many of whom may be new to daylilies.

Please remember that the August Sale is our club's main fund raiser, so the help of every member is needed. If we all commit to contributing daylilies and other plants from our gardens to this fund raiser, our August sale can be a huge success.

More details about the August sale will follow in the next NEDS bulletin. In the mean time, as you walk about your garden this spring, please make a note of cultivars you would be willing to contribute to the August sale.

—Adele Keohan

**Upcoming AHS Region 4 and National Events in 2011:**

**May 6-8:**

**15th Annual  
Can-Am Daylily Classic  
Mississauga, Ontario**

Speakers include:

AHS President Mary Collier Fisher, Bryan Culver, Bob Faulkner, Mandy McMahon, Eric Moore, Mort Morss, Margo Reed. Lunch included plus Plant Sale, Live Auction, Silent Auction, Chinese Auction. Lots of fun!

(Deadline April 1st for discount on registration fee)

**[www.ontariodaylily.on.ca](http://www.ontariodaylily.on.ca)**

**May 25-28**

**2011 National Convention  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana**

Visit **[www.2011ahsnational.com](http://www.2011ahsnational.com)**  
for details.

**July 15-17**

**2011 Region 4 Summer Meeting  
“ 4 EVER DAYLILIES”**

**Hosted by  
the Ontario Daylily Society**

**[www.ontariodaylily.on.ca](http://www.ontariodaylily.on.ca)**

Visit the AHS website at [www.daylilies.org](http://www.daylilies.org) for further details on AHS Regional and National events.

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