

NEDS News

New England Daylily Society

American Hemerocallis Society, Region 4

April 2014

April 12

at Tower Hill Botanic Garden

- 9:00 Set-up for hospitality
(volunteers needed to help)
- 9:30 Board meeting
- 10:00 Social time (Food donations
from members.) *Please label any
baked goods containing nuts for those
who have nut allergies.*
- 10:30 **Bob Sobek**, hybridizer
- 12:00 **Potluck Lunch!**
- 1:00 Brief business meeting &
drawing for door prize plants
- 1:20 **Cheryl Collins** on
photography in the garden
- 3:30 Clean-up (volunteers needed to
help)

Upcoming Events

May 24, 2014

**NEDS Plant Sale
and Auction
in Wakefield, MA**

Tower Hill Botanic Garden address is 11 French Drive,
Boylston, Mass
See <http://www.towerhillbg.org> for directions.

*Please contact the editor to receive the
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for members receiving it by US mail to
help defray the cost of printing and postage.*

*Cover photo by A. Keohan: Hemerocallis 'Fraises Au
Lait' (Sobek 2003)*

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Upcoming meetings and activities:

May 24 NEDS Plant Sale & Auction

July 19 Regional Meeting at Harmon Hill Farm, Hudson, NH

July 26 NEDS Exhibition

WANTED

NEDS Secretary

**NEDS NEWS bulletin editor
and NEDS Hospitality Chair**

If interested, please contact:

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April Door Prize Plants

KNOLL COTTAGE JEANNE B (Jones, Lori 2011)



Dormant, tetraploid, height 32", bloom size 5", blooms early midseason, 4 way branching, 15 buds. Peach pink with a

deeper purple eye and lighter inner halo above a yellow to green throat. Petals have a purple edge. (Fanciful Candy × Lady Dancer) Pod and pollen fertile. Value \$25.

SEPTEMBER FLAME (Murphy 2012)

Dormant. diploid, height 48", bloom size 5.5", blooms very late, 2 way branching, 22 buds. Unusual Form Cascade. Bright red



with narrow cream edge, white midrib, chartreuse throat, very recurved. Moderately sunfast. Bud builder. (After

Awhile Crocodile × When I Dream) × (Barnegat Light) Pod and pollen fertile. Value \$80.



STRETCH (Murphy 2012) Dormant, diploid, height 47", bloom size 9", blooms midseason late, 2 way

branching, 20 buds. Spider Ratio 5.00:1. Cherry red spider with a white midrib above a light green throat. Seven week bloom period. Bud builder. Sunfast at 95°F. (Barnegat Light × Kirsten Madeline Burkey) Pod and pollen fertile. Value \$85.

Our April Speakers:

Bob Sobek, daylily

hybridizer and Cheryl

Collins, photographer--

plus Potluck Lunch!

Bob Sobek

NEDS member Bob Sobek, a resident of Westford,

MA, will be presenting in the morning at our April 12th meeting. Bob has introduced daylilies with superb plant habit, from early bloomers and rebloomers to late and very late bloomers. His introductions are excellent increasers with blooms that open well despite cool morning temperatures. Many of his introduction have exceptional branching and budcount. I grow a number of Bob's introductions and they are all great performers, sunfast and have great plant habit.

Cheryl Collins

As far as photography is concerned, I could certainly use some tips. What I see through the viewfinder is not always captured by my camera. I am hoping that Cheryl Collins, a professional photographer, can give us some helpful garden photography tips during her presentation in the afternoon. Cheryl Collins has been a freelance photographer for over 30 years and has served the Garden Club Federation of Massachusetts as State Photographer for over 12 years. Her photography work has been featured in the Vision of Beauty calendar, National Gardener Magazine, the GCFM website and as well as several other websites in the New England Region.

She is a professional gardener, lecturer and energetic healer. Cheryl has twice been the president of the Garden Club of Mansfield. She currently sits on the planning board for the town of Mansfield.

POTLUCK LUNCH:

Don't forget that at the April 12th meeting we'll have Potluck Lunch! Please donate \$10 if you are unable to bring food. Please contribute something yummy for our potluck lunch----salads, side dishes, fruit, main dishes or desserts. Remember, we won't have access to a refrigerator or microwaves but there are outlets for plugging in crockpots, so if you'd like to make a soup, chili or stew, you'll be able to plug it in and keep it warm.

I hope to see you there!

Adele Keohan

NEDS President

From the May Sale Chair:

FELLOW NEDS MEMBERS,

It's time to think "MAY PUBLIC PLANT SALE & AUCTION".

The sale will again be held at the First Congregational Church, 1 Church St. Wakefield, MA. As was decided at last Octobers' meeting, due to the CAN-AM meeting on the second weekend of May our sale will be on Saturday, May 24 this year. Also this year the sale will be held in the upstairs hall of the church, as was last August's sale.

The hall will open at 9 AM for those who are sellers. Tables need to be reserved in advance by contacting me at paka1968@comcast.net . Also potted plant sales are permitted. Help will be needed to set up tables, chairs, etc. The sale will start at 10AM and go to 12 noon (unless sale activity would dictate otherwise), when the transition to the auction will start. This process should take about 30 minutes. People staying for the auction can break for lunch at this time. Prior to starting the auction the drawing for the monthly door prizes will be held. The auction will then proceed until all plants are sold. The premises will then need to be clean and restored to its prior condition.

PLEASE REMEMBER THIS IS ONE OF OUR TWO MAJOR FUNDRAISERS FOR THE YEAR. THE ENTIRE MEMBERSHIP NEEDS TO BE INVOLVED.

For people who can't come to the sale or auction, I'm sure most or all of us have plants that are auctionable. That is, plants that are worth \$20 or more. I'm also confident that most if not all of you have plants which need dividing. This would be a good time to contribute a couple of fans or clumps to help raise money to pay for the rental of Tower Hill, the speakers brought in by our program chair and the daylily exhibition in July, which are all part of your membership benefits.

A personal suggestion to people selling plants: I have been selling at the May sale for the past 2 years and have priced my plants with the idea that local people, who may not be total daylily enthusiasts, are not normally going to spend \$15 - \$25 on a daylily. Their mentality is to get a bargain priced plant for \$5 - \$7 hoping that it will flower that year. So usually, I will sell 3 fan clumps (sometimes more) for \$5 - \$7 and have done pretty well both years I participated. Statistical backup for this is the CDS Plant sale which gets over 80% of their revenue from their sale from plants priced between \$5 & \$9 and their gross sales are several times in excess of the NEDS sale.

Thanks, in advance for all your help.

Paul Tarmasewicz

May Sale Chair

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From the Babysitting Plant Chair:

At the April 2014 meeting we will be drawing names for this year's babysitting plants. As stated in previous newsletters we have made a change to the Babysitting Program and we now have received donations from NEDS hybridizers and these are the plants that will be available to choose from. There no longer will be \$100 reimbursement for purchasing a plant. Only those not currently growing a Babysitting plant are eligible, you also need to be an AHS member and attended at least 3 NEDS functions in the past 12 months. If you are eligible and interested please contact me as soon as possible. For those attending the April meeting I ask that you will have reviewed the plants being made available and have a predetermined rank order of what you would like to grow so that we can handle as much of this as possible at the meeting. The plants will be available at the May sale. The choice of plant will be based on the order the names are drawn. The winners will then grow the plants for a full 3 years and return for sale at the August 2016 NEDS auction.

Claudia Conway	Kearsarge 2013
Claudia Conway	Canterbury Rag Doll 2013
Darlyn Wilkinson	Greywoods Dun Rovin 2014
Rich Howard	Smoke On the Water 2014
Rich Howard	Jealous Sky 2014
Lori Jones	Whip City In A Frenzy 2014
Mike Maher	Fountain Of Fire 2013
Mike Maher	Guacamole Queen 2014
Dan Matzek	Windham Shangri La 2014
Dan Matzek	Windham Xanadu 2014
Mike Huben	TBD, need snow to melt to confirm availability

I ask those who win a plant in the lottery and the general membership to please join me in thanking our hybridizers for their generosity in making these plants available to the club. Many of our hybridizers introduce with small quantities and they often sell out so these donations in many cases is real money out of their pockets.

If you have additional questions please contact me at 603 880-6228 or harmonhill25@comcast.net

Carl Harmon

Babysitting Plant Chair

2013 NEDS Treasurer's Report:

2013 saw our club net \$1,067 in profit as seen in the unaudited P & L, all in all not a bad year considering the state of the economy. Our total income for the year was \$10,517 and our total expenses were \$9,449.

Our two plant auctions saw us bring in a total of \$6,338 in income with offsetting expenses of \$2,931 for a total of \$3,406 in net income.

The Daylily Bingo game brought in \$395.

The remainder of our income came primarily from the auctions of daylilies from the three guest speakers that we had. The income we derived from the three speakers was \$3,706 however the expenses for Travel, Hotels and Auction reimbursements totaled \$4,024 for a \$318 deficit.

Room rental for the year at Tower Hill was \$1,675 and other miscellaneous expenses were \$125 for the Photo Contest and \$560 for the July Exhibition expenses and prizes.

Tom Riccio, NEDS Treasurer

Moving sale notice from Deb Carpenter:

Dear friends in Daylilies,

After 25 years here in Deering, NH we have decided to sell our home and 4.5 acres and move closer to our children and grandchildren. That means selling the majority of our huge collection of over 1000 registered daylily varieties and also many hostas and other perennials. We know that most likely a potential home buyer will not be a garden fanatic like me and would view the acres of gardens as more work than they would be willing to tackle. After nurturing these plants and enjoying them for so many years, I would hate to have them not be appreciated. Therefore, I am contacting many of the people I know who grow and love plants to see if they would be interested in purchasing some for their own collections or to increase their stock in the case of commercial growers. In order to move as many plants as possible before the house goes on the market, I will be letting them go for below their normal market value. I will be selling at least 3-fan clumps for \$5 each. Please note that I will not be shipping any plants and all sales are pick-up only.

For anyone interested, I will email a list of varieties or you can contact me to come see the gardens and plants available. Needless to say, everything growing here has been proven hardy over a number of winters and given the size of my gardens, they have to survive on nature alone for water and nutrients.

Debbie and Jim Carpenter
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Region 4 Summer

Meeting on July 19th:

“Hems at Harmon Hill”

Join us for a one day Regional Meeting and picnic on July 19, 2014 at Harmon Hill Farm in Hudson, NH (below).



Burgers and soda will be provided.

For those who wish to become garden judges or take a refresher, a Garden Judge 2 Workshop will be given at 9AM. The fee for taking the workshop for credit is \$5. If you wish to audit, the fee is \$3.

The registration fee for this event is \$10, payable “at the door”. Email your RSVP to Kim Walters at ownedbycats@comcast.net so we will have enough food for all.

In May, visit the Region 4 website, www.ahsregion4.org, for detailed directions as well as open gardens you may visit during the weekend of July 19-20, 2014. Visit the Harmon Hill website at www.harmonhillfarm.com for directions.

See you at Harmon Hill Farm on July 19th!

Daylily Events at Neighboring Clubs:

CDS- Connecticut Daylily Society

Saturday May 17, 2014--CDS Annual Daylily and Plant Sale

Visit <http://www.ctdaylily.com/CDS.html>

SMDHS- Southern Maine Daylily & Hosta Society

All meetings are at Southern Maine Community College Horticulture building on Slocum Drive in South Portland. Meetings normally start at 11 AM.

April 26: Garden Clean-up(weather permitting), Spring Pot luck lunch. Presentation by our own Craig Cote and Rex Beisel from Barred Owl Daylilies.

May 18 (Sunday): Public Plant Sale. 8 AM – Noon. Please bring plants to sell to help support the club. Sellers can keep up to 50% of sales. Your plant donations to this event helps us to bring in speakers. <http://www.smdhs.info/events>

SMDS- Southeastern Massachusetts Daylily Society

April 26 • 10:00am to 2:00pm – Saturday Plant and Yard Sale at Wareham Historical Society Methodist Meetinghouse, 395 Main St., Wareham, MA 02571

Visit the AHS Region 4 Website for a wealth of information on Region 4:

Region 4 Officers and Clubs

Daylily Sellers•Hybridizers•Display Gardens

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Garden Judges•Exhibition Judges

...and more!

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See you
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