



NEDS Bulletin

Publication of the
New England Daylily Society

Meeting Agenda for Nov. 13, 2010

- 8:00 Set- up for hospitality (volunteers needed to help)
- 9:00 Board meeting
- 9:30 Social time (Food donations from members, last names M-Z)
- 10:00 Morning program: Melanie Mason
- 12:00 Lunch break: "Soup's On"
- 1:00 Business meeting
- 1:30 Afternoon program: Member photos-Garden visits, Summer 2010
- 3:30 Clean- up (volunteers needed to help)

Upcoming meetings and activities:

- Dec. 11 Member photo contest; Annual Business Meeting
- Jan. 8 NEDS Hybridizers power point presentations
- Feb. 12 Daylily Bingo
- Mar. 12 Guests --- David Kirchhoff and Mort Morss ; Potluck lunch
- April 9 Guest --- Richard Norris

All meetings held at Tower Hill Botanic Garden
11 French Hill, Boylston, Mass

See <http://www.towerhillbg.org> for directions

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NEDS President's Message

We are only a couple weeks from Thanksgiving, my how this year has flown by. Once again Bryan Culver gave a wonderful show, I can't wait to see him again at the Can-Am Classic and pick up my plant. I'm starting to get quite a collection of his plants. For those who missed the last meeting we have some opening to fill. We need a new membership chair and hospitality chair, Adele has agreed to be the new newsletter editor. It is a perfect way of getting more involved. This is your club and we need the memberships help to make it greater. I want give a big "thank you" to Charmaine, Susan, and Deb – you have made a big difference in this club and your efforts are greatly appreciated.

We talked about a couple of issues at our last meeting that I would like everyone's input on. We discussed moving the August Public Sale from Tower Hill. Over the last two years our sales have really dropped so we are investing some other options. At this time the Waltham location is not available, but there are some Masonic Halls (for example in Wakefield) that are. Does anyone have any ideas on a good location?

The other issue we discussed was the Ohio National in 2012. It is close enough that we could rent a bus to go if the interest is there. I would like to know how many people would pay to go on a bus trip to the National in Ohio. If not, we can do the same thing on a smaller scale like renting a van.

Don't forget this is the soup-on potluck. Soups and Stews are the featured stars, but salads are always welcome. And we can never have too much dessert – especially if it is chocolate. If you are not sure what to bring, email me and I'll let you know (but by the time this is published my voice should be back if you would prefer to call).

Coming up at our next meeting is the always wonderful Melanie Mason, I saw her doggone daylily talk at the Can-Am Classic and we are really in for a treat. Her garden was one of the open gardens at the last regional, and she has some beautiful plants. I tried to get her Pinkle-purr, but she was all sold out. I grow a number of her plants and they always do wonderful for me. The highlight of my garden this year was her

Longleson Summer Gift, a fabulous purple that bloomed and bloomed and bloomed.

I'm rushing the season a little, but have decided on a Christmas gift for my father-in-law this year – an AHS membership. Renewal time is just around the corner, you don't want to lose a judgeship or the email robin because you forgot to renew.

I'm a little surprised, but I don't think I've had a killing frost (a good thing because they haven't figured out what's wrong with the furnace yet). I have a tomato plant that is still alive. It has an unripe tomato still on it – go figure! I haven't started drooling over the new catalogues (too much) yet. I always like to start with the AM award winners. I can't wait until they are announced!

I always say be careful what you name a cat – because they will try to live up to it. Rocket proved this to me. I got him as a four month kitten from the NHSPCA for my birthday. He loved to lie outside the door and pounce on anything that came through the door. But he really liked to start at one end of the house – race down the hallway – run up the cat tree – jump onto the bookcase – and then stop at the very end (one day I was sure he would rocket off the top of the bookcase, but he never did). He rockets in front of you when you are walking down the hall, and generally never stays still. He settled down on my lap for over an hour the other day. He has never done that before. Either he is growing up, or he knew how sick I was feeling.

Soup's On Lunch: November 13 **What fabulous dish or dessert will you bring?**

Once again it is time for our annual soup on pot luck. Bring your soups and stews and maybe a salad or two, and don't forget the most important part of the meal - the dessert! Remember, there aren't any refrigerators or stoves at Tower Hill, but crock pots can be plugged in (carefully) in the kitchenette area. Not sure what to bring? E-mail me at (ownedbycats@comcast.net) and I'll let you know what we need.

From the Nominating Committee:

The Nominating Committee is pleased to report that all of the current officers are willing to stay in office with one exception. Jocelyn Spragg will be stepping down as Treasurer at the end of the year. At this time we ask that anyone who is interested in serving as treasurer please contact Paul Bourret at paul.bourret@gmail.com. Aside from this role, the Nominating Committee will be putting the existing officers' names forward in nomination for another term.

Paul Bourret

Melanie Mason's coming to NEDS!

Saturday, November 13, 2010 is going to be a great day. Not only is it going to be our Pot Luck day but for the morning session, Melanie Mason will be our speaker. From what Melanie told me this talk entitled "DOGGONE DAYLILIES" will be informative and funny. Most of you know what a great Northern hybridizer Melanie is and that her plants will survive just about anything the North can dish out. I have been fortunate to have known Melanie for many years and find her to be just down to earth with a good heart and a great personality. If you have not heard her speak, you are in for a treat. If you have heard her speak, you'll still want to come and enjoy yourself. I know I am looking forward to this upcoming meeting.

For the afternoon, we are asking

anyone who came on the Western MA Garden Tour or went to the Regional in Albany or visited any garden this year to please bring photos on a disc, thumb drive or just a photo so that we can share our good times with each other.

Lori-Ann Jones

November Door Prize Plants

PEACHES AND POMEGRANATE (Mason 2008) Dormant,

24" scapes, 7" flower, Midseason Late flowering, ruffled deep pomegranate purple with pale rose-peach



sepals, and the added attraction of a darker plum eye and accent veining. Another feature is that the petal borders lighten and show a white to gold edge. Value: \$100

RIVER LORE (Mason 2009) Dormant, tetraploid, Midseason Late bloom. 42" scapes, 6" flower. A striking rose purple flower with very prominent deep purple



veining and petals that lighten a bit at the edge. Blooms in amazing numbers and over a long period thanks to vigorous scape production. Forms clumps quickly, and is pod and pollen fertile. (Cheap Frills x Rhythm of the Saints) Value : \$100.



ROYAL FLOURISH
(Mason 2009) Dormant, Tetraploid,

Midseason Bloom, 26" scapes, 6.5" flower. Deep royal purple petals and raspberry sepals, a bitone with a prominent white edge and watermark, ROYAL FLOURISH is very much the regal bloom, with wide 3-way branching and 15-20 buds. (Mabou x Vatican City) SOLD OUT. Value: \$100

Secretary's Report – October 2nd, 2010

NEDS Board Meeting

Attendance: Absent were Lisa Bourret and Jocelyn Spragg

Items not discussed at the business meeting:

Methods for reimbursing the Activities Chair for expenses were discussed.

Alternate locations for the August sale were discussed. Possibility of returning to Waltham was discussed since the rooms were reportedly being upgraded. Other possibilities were senior centers, Elks halls, and hotels. Note that hotels do not allow bringing in refreshments, but for the August auction, that may not be important. Various board members were to check of options in their area for next board meeting.

Program

The morning program was a presentation by Kim Walters of her trip to the national. The afternoon program was presented by Brian Culver.

Business Meeting

The business meeting was presided over by the President, Kim Walters. There were 32 people present including two new members, Laurie Gauthier and Linda Worthington. Laurie also won a door prize of a free membership to AHS.

Three committee chairs have become vacant, Hospitality, Membership, and Newsletter Editor. Our VP, Adele has agreed to take over as editor on the Newsletter, but the other two positions need immediate filling. Please volunteer to help your club. Thanks, and many thanks to Adele for taking over as editor.

Kim reminded all that Soup's On is the next meeting. Please let her know what you are bringing. If you cannot bring anything, please pay \$10 to help cover expenses.

We are thinking about hiring a bus for the 2012 National. Dan Pessoni will be investigating details and coordinating those interested.

All members were asked to think of locations for the August auction that might be more successful than the current Tower Hill location.

Door prize plant winners were:

CAJUN TWO-STEP Roger Delonchamps
CHERRIES JUBILEE Paul Bourret
ESKIMO ISLAND Pat Wessling

AHS Membership Laurie Gauthier

Many thanks to Kim Walters for taking notes at the business meeting for me when I had to leave.

Respectfully submitted,
Dorothy Campbell, Secretary

When you send a disc, please include your phone number so that I may call you if I encounter any difficulty and your **e-mail address** so that I can notify you that your photos have been received and entered in the contest.

Please mail to: **Paul Bourret, 11 Keepaway Lane, West Newfield, ME 04095.**
Phone: 207-793-4521.

If you send me your photos over the internet, all photos are to be sent **one at a time** to: nedsphotocontest@gmail.com. Please include your name and category in the subject line.

The subject line for the email must read: NEDS 2010 Digital Photo Contest.

Category/name of entrant/variety name or number has to be included with each e-mail photo attachment. Example: SPIDERMAN. Lisa Bourret, Category 1.

PHOTO RULES:

The dimensional size of the photo should be no larger than 3.5 MB in JPEG format.

The photo should not be written on nor should the photo be framed.

The same daylily (taken at different angles) or landscape picture as is or cropped cannot be entered in more than one category.

Maximum of 3 digital photos for each category.

Everything must be received no later than November 27, 2010. Please copy and list your entries for each category and send it along with your disc to me.

YOUR NAME

CATEGORY 1: Single Hem (Registered Var.)

A. _____

B. _____

C. _____

CATEGORY 2: Landscape

A. _____

B. _____

C. _____

CATEGORY 3: Clump (Entire Plant)

A. _____

B. _____

C. _____

**CATEGORY 4: Seedling (Single, or clump)
Unregistered**

A. _____

B. _____

C. _____

CATEGORY 5: Cluster (2+Flowers)

A. _____

B. _____

C. _____

**CATEGORY 6: Daylilies & Companion
Plants**

A. _____

B. _____

C. _____

CATEGORY 7: Daylily People

A. _____

B. _____

C. _____

**\$25 prize will be awarded for best in
each category**

The purpose of the contest is to improve the photographic abilities of the members and not to choose the best variety. Qualities to keep in mind when selecting entries and in judging are: Correct Exposure; Color Harmony; Sharpness of Focus; Absence of Distraction; Composition.

It's [*Still*] Not Too Early!

**When lining out plants this fall, please think of possible May Sales and Auction plants. Remember, half of the proceeds go to the club and half back to you. If you have any questions, please email me at weedingaway@cox.net
--- Rachel S. Flaksman**

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