

COBB COUNTY DAYLILY SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

A Note from your President:

July, 2018

Hello Daylily Friends,

It's been a great year. Our daylilies looked very good and held up well in spite of the 90 degree heat. We enjoyed another "Breakfast in the Garden" on May 24th. The food was excellent and we enjoyed hearing from Claude Carpenter who taught us about grooming our daylilies and Sally Holcombe, a very experienced Design Judge, who showed us how to make better Designs. Many thanks to Claude and Sally. We also had a short business meeting wherein Camilla Arthur was elected as our Treasurer to replace Rita Buehner. It's a big job and I am sure everyone appreciates Camilla for volunteering.

We had a fantastic Daylily Show on June 2, 2018. Camilla has written an article with additional information on page 2 of this Newsletter. It was a bit of a struggle, but our Chair for the Design Section, Shirley Dobbins, got us 12 entries in our Design Section. Since it requires 12 entries to be accredited, we needed everyone who entered. Thanks to everyone who helped us out and created wonderful Designs. Our three Design Judges were Melanie Caldwell, JoAnn Dorsey and JoAnn Jones. We are most appreciative of the good work they did.

I am thankful to Gene and the many people who worked with him to sell plants. I am also thankful for David Arthur, Ken Dixon, Bill Waldrop and Gene McCord who came to the Garden Thursday before the Show and did some serious digging, cleaning and labeling. My friends, Camilla Arthur & Ida Dixon also came on Thursday and did a great job labeling our plants. We had thirty trays of daylilies for Gene to sell.

I am so pleased that we had a great turnout for the Show since this is one of the biggest events we have during the year. Camilla did a good job as our Show Chair. Please read Camilla's notes about our Show on the next page.

See you at our next meeting on Sunday at 2:00 p.m. on Aug. 12th!



SEPTEMBER PICNIC

Our picnic this year will be on Sept. 22nd at 4:00 p.m. at Bill and Diana's Garden. This will be our chance to get some new daylilies using our ARMS points (points for working during the year). This year we will get our daylilies from Blueridge Daylilies in North Carolina. We will also have a few daylilies for sale, plus a Raffle for Bill Waldrop daylilies. Don't forget the excellent food! Ida will pass the sign up sheet at our meeting.

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- August 12 - General Meeting
- September 22— Picnic
- November 18—General Meeting
- December 9—Holiday Party
Hardage Farm Clubhouse
4:30—7:00 p.m.

**Diana R. Waldrop,
Newsletter Editor**

COBB COUNTY DAYLILY SHOW 2018

If you missed the Daylily Show this year at the First United Methodist Church, you missed a good one. The June 2, 2018 show was widely attended from Gene's Daylily Sale to the attendance for lunch and the viewing of the flowers. We estimated about 150 people enjoyed the show and purchased daylilies. With the sale of over \$1700.00 in daylilies this year, the total cost of the show was \$452.00 from the Cobb Club treasury.

WINNERS

For a picture of all the winners, please go to Cobbdailily.com.

Extra Large	Ring of Magnetism	Jim Mullins
Large	Dark Eclipse	Diana Waldrop
Small	Cheechee's Cookie	Jim Mullins
Miniature	Little Mystic Moon	Jim Mullins
Double, Multiform,		
Polymerous Flowers	Color Frenzy	Diana Waldrop
Spider	Yellow Monkey	Jim Mullins
Unusual Form	Off to See the Wizard	David Arthur
Youth	No youth participate this year	
Pop Poll	Mayor of Munchkinland	Jim Mullins
Seedling	#8-726	Bill Waldrop
Winner of Award of Appreciation for Education		Beverly McWilliams
Winner of Designer's Choice Award **		Camilla Arthur (See picture below)

BEST IN SHOW

Spider - Yellow Monkey	Jim Mullins
Sweepstakes Rosette with 35 Blue Ribbons	Jim Mullins

We had excellent judges and Dave Poe's Barbeque was outstanding. Yum!

A BIG thank you to all who worked to make this show a success. If you did not help this year, please consider lending a hand next year. The Daylily Show will be held on June 8, 2019 and the Show Chair will be Don Bodnar. He will appreciate anything you want to do to assist in making that show an even greater success than 2018.



Daylily Show Review 2018

We had a meeting to Discuss **2018 Daylily Show** on Wednesday, June 27, 2018, at 9:30 at Camilla Arthur's Home.

In Attendance: Camilla and David, Serena, Ida, Diana, Gene and Beverly

Camilla listed our income and expenses for the Daylily Show: They were as follows:

Finances:

Income:

Plant Sale -	\$1,745.22
Lunch	<u>300.00</u>
Total Amount	\$2,045.22

Expenses:

Room Rental fees	\$ 375.00
Tablecloths	82.55
Show Booklets (50)	121.90
Awards	400.00
Judges gifts	600.00
Judges' hotel expenses	399.80
Judges' breakfast items	55.49
BBcue Lunch (Dave Poe's)	428.03
Misc. expenses	<u>35.17</u>
Total Expenses	\$2,497.94

Camilla reported that she had sent in the Show Completion Form. She said that we had a very successful Show with approximately 150 people attending, including those who came to the plant sales and inside to see the daylilies. Gene says he was pleased with the plant sales and had good help.

There were only a few plants returned to Diana to be replanted. We used 30 black trays. Annie, Brittany's daughter helped our sales using our new tablet so that people could use their credit cards.

Gene would like us to purchase one table and 10 collapsible black containers (that he uses for his sales). Ida said she would check on the best place to purchase these items. **Gene also suggested that in the fall we ask our members to donate some daylilies to replenish our daylilies in the Waldrop's garden for future sales.** We definitely could use some additional flowers. It was also great to have Katielou bring flowers to us that she had grown. Bill had given her many of his extra plants to grow for us and she did a great job.

Our **next Show will be June 8, 2019** because the Regional will hold its meeting on June 1st.

David has already asked six Judges to judge our 2019 Show.

We had 107 flowers entered with 9 exhibitors. (we missed Claude and our youth entry from Chattanooga and some of our members did not have any daylilies to enter)

Beverly had a very nice Education Table and she thought we had approximately 40 people stop to get information. It was suggested that next year we have a **sign up sheet** with email addresses and phone numbers for people to fill out. It was also suggested that we move the Education Table closer to the front. We had people who wanted to see the flowers while the Judges were working and it was hard to keep them out. We also should use the tape to rope off the judging area.

Serena was in charge of Classification and Brittany helped her. Jeff had to go out of town and could not help or attend the Show. The Church Wifi worked well and they used the club computer and David's computer to check the names of the daylilies.

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Our three Design Judges did well, and seemed to enjoy being at our Show and having lunch with us. Bill normally gives all the Judges a daylily from his current Introduction. Unfortunately, it was a very hectic week for us and he totally forgot about it. Diana recently sent an email to all of our Design Judges, and Bill will see that each of them receive a 2018 registered Waldrop daylily. We appreciate their time and effort. Garden Club Judges do not receive an honorarium and they are required to do a certain amount of Judging to maintain their credentials, but a gift is acceptable.

Ida asked if she spent too much for food for the Judges, but everyone agreed that she did not. The food was excellent and club members were also able to go into Room 104 with the Judges and get a cup of coffee and probably ate some of the food as well. Next year, it was suggested that perhaps Ida get more water. It makes it easy for the Judges and others to use the small water bottles.

Diana reported that 20 people signed up and attended our Barbecue Lunch which was catered by Dave Poe. We had 9 Judges and 2 spouses as our guests, plus Brittany and her family which totaled 36 people. We could have used more cole slaw and potato salad, but we had plenty of pork and drinks.

Publicity was very good. We had 10 signs outside the church, the Marietta Daily Journal printed information about our show and plant sale, and emails were sent to all the people who visited the Waldrop Garden including my SSC. I think that Henry also sent emails out to other clubs as well as to another small newspaper. Bill made a special trip to talk to the people in charge at the Marietta Daily Journal and not only did they send a photographer, but he put Bill and Camilla's picture on the front page of the MDJ.



I am so pleased to welcome eleven new members to the Cobb County Daylily Society. In addition, we also had three members renew their membership. **Please welcome:**

Dawn Behr-Ventura, Jenny Davis, Linda Franks, Anne Langan, Sara and Matt Kent, Amanda (Mandy) Neeley, Kim Oakley, Megan Whitley, Megan Fields and Dennis Wade.



Our Daylily Beds at Smith Gilbert Gardens in Kennesaw in June, 2018. (photos by Rita) To see more photos, please visit our web site, Cobbdailily.com

Rita reports that the Gardens are looking very good.

About two weeks ago, Katielou, Mary Ellen Long, Yvonne and Rita helped maintain (pick weeds) the garden.

Rita says she will probably need help as we get closer to

Fall, but now the Gardens look pretty good. If you have time to help, she would appreciate it very much. We will probably send a sign up sheet around. Lisa (the Manager) has ideas of planting new day-lilies among existing bushes where there's bare space. She also thinks the daylily areas need more companion plants to provide more interest during the off season. Perhaps you have some suggestions and maybe plants that we can use. Rita also says people are very excited to see the daylilies. Many of them have probably only seen orange and yellow, so this is a great treat to see so many different, sizes, shapes and colors.

Another interesting sidenote: One of the owners, Richard Smith, who donated his garden to Kennesaw, was found to be a Life Member for AHS, and a member in Region 5! Wow. To think we have come full circle in that Richard loved gardening, but he really loved Daylilies. He would be so pleased to know that his beautiful garden contains some of the most beautiful daylilies available. Sadly, Richard passed away several years ago. But, I bet he knows!!!

Remember, go to Cobbdailily.com to see more photos, including Show photos and Smith Gilbert.

Cobb County Daylily Society
Sunday, May 6th, 2018 – General Meeting
First United Methodist Church, Marietta, GA – Room 256 – 2:00 P.M.

President Diana Waldrop called the meeting to order at 2:10 P.M. She is circulating two sign-up sheets: one for prepaid lunches at the June 2nd Daylily Show and second for what members want to bring for the Breakfast Meeting at the Waldrop's Home on May 24th when we have Shirley Dobbins' Design Clinic and Claude Carpenter's Grooming Clinic.

Our guest speaker today is Chris Force, a member of the Master Gardeners of Cobb County. She is working on Murdock Elementary School's garden as her major project. She attended a symposium in South Carolina that dealt with soil and it had a huge impact on her; it made her believe that organic farming is possible!

Loose clumps of dirt are very good for building healthy soil; healthy soil is an aggregate: a loosely compacted mass of fragments or particles. There are billions of micro-organisms in a single pinch of soil and they all need to eat! They don't photosynthesize like plants do. Jenks Farmer wrote *Deep-Rooted Wisdom* that said we need to return to organic farming. Jeff Lowenfels is another great source of knowledge on organic farming; he wrote the following three books: *Teaming with Microbes*; *Teaming with Nutrients*; and *Teaming with Fungi*.

6 Steps in Making Healthy Soil:

Never Till!

Add mycorrhizal fungal to plant roots.

Use compost to mulch and in planting holes.

Use less or NO chemical fertilizers and pesticides!

Keep ground covered with mulch!(It regulates temperature and keeps moisture in the soil; Chris uses cardboard whenever possible!)

Keep roots growing in soil as much as possible.

Benefits:

A huge list of plants was on the screen as part of the power point. It distinguished whether it would be beneficial to grow those plants organically. Almost all flowers fell into the category of benefitting from organic soil growth. She gave us a website to visit that showed all of this really “neat” organic growing. The address is as follows: <http://www.livescience.com/392>

Chris also showed us what she uses to make her garden organic. Green Sand is good for southern soil and you use it with mycorrhizal fungi; it can be purchased at Walmart (check first, because it may have to be ordered on-line!). Chris orders her mycorrhizal fungi on-line from the mushroom mountain and it comes in a bag. A soil PH of 5 – 7 best support mycorrhizals and you need 8 – 9 inches of mulch to keep in moisture; Chris uses hardwood chips. After the break, President Waldrop called Jack Rigsby up to speak about the Spring Region 5 Meeting in Alpharetta on June 15th & 16th sponsored by the Greater Atlanta Daylily Chapter. Page 11 in *The Georgia Daylily* has information about it. You may attend the Region Meeting without staying at the hotel. The gardens to be toured during the weekend are as follows: Carpenters, Franklins, and Kovachs.

A motion was made to accept the minutes from the last two meetings. They were accepted by unanimous consent. A brief Treasurer’s Report was read out in that we have a balance in the Treasury of \$13,773.05. The Jonquil Festival plant sale was a huge success and sold out of all daylilies bringing in a total of \$1440! Part of the success of the Jonquil Festival was the amount of education members dispersed to the public while volunteering at the booth. It was a wonderful experience for everyone!

Camilla Arthur got up to talk about the approaching Daylily Show. Treasurer Rita Buehner had sent \$100 each for our two members, Dennis Calbreath and Virginia Miller, who passed away to AHS to honor them. Since then, Rita Buehner has resigned as CCDS Treasurer and Diana Waldrop will temporarily take over that role until it can be replaced.

Next meeting is May 24th at 9:15 A.M. at the Waldrop’s Home for the Design Clinic and the Grooming Clinic. Meeting was adjourned at 4:05 P.M.

Submitted to the Cobb County Daylily Society by

Debby Overstreet, Secretary CCDS

May 20th, 2018

CCDS Officers for 2017-2018

President—Diana R. Waldrop

Vice-President—Katielou Greene

Secretary—Debby Overstreet

Treasurer—Camilla Arthur

Parliamentarian—Glenn McKenney

Hospitality—Ida Dixon

Publicity—Henry Bogatay and Lyn Padfield

Plant Sales—Gene McCord

2018 Daylily Show Chair—Camilla Arthur

2018 Daylily co-Chair—Don Bodnar