

The Bud, Branch and Scape

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Don't Miss the Last SMDS Meeting for 2016

Date: October 8, 2016

Time: 11:30 am

**Place: Congregational Church of Birmingham.
1000 Cranbrook Rd, Bloomfield Hills, MI**

Our speaker is Chad Bush, hybridizer and owner of Colorful Chaos Daylilies in Alma, MI.

Chad introduces beautiful northern hardy daylilies. Including many different looks, some toothy things, a few patterns, striped and stippled.

Currently, he is working with something different, color changing diploids.

Chad keeps busy with his teaching job, two sons, birds and farm animals and working with daylilies.

Many of us are currently growing Bush daylilies in our gardens. This is a chance to learn what else is available from Chad and what is in the future of Colorful Chaos Daylilies.

<http://colorfulchaosdaylily.weebly.com/>



Aboriginal Dreamtime (Bush 2016)
34" tall, 5.5" bloom, 3-4 way branching, 25 buds,
Semi-evergreen, Tetraploid.

**This is our annual potluck. SMDS is providing
meat, fish AND dessert.**

Please bring a passing dish, such as salads, fruits, veggies, etc.

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◆◆◆◆◆ SMDS 2016 Calendar of Events ◆◆◆◆◆

Regular meetings held on the second Saturday of each month- 11:30 a.m.
At the Congregational Church of Christ, 1000 Cranbrook Rd, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304

Oct 8th - General Meeting - Annual Pot Luck – (For details see page 1)
Speaker/Hybridizer Chad Bush.....And owner of Colorful Chaos Daylilies in Alma, MI.
<http://colorfulchaosdaylily.weebly.com/>

Remember to Mark Your New 2017 Calendars for Upcoming Meetings

March 12, 2017- SMDS General Meeting

April 22, 2017 Annual SMDS Banquet at American Polish Cultural Center from noon until 5:00pm

July 14-16, 2017

AHS Region 2, 2017 Summer Meeting "Simply Michigan".

Make plans now to attend this event, right here in our own beautiful state of Michigan.

More Info coming soon!

Other Daylily Club Happenings in Michigan

Central Michigan Daylily Society

<http://www.daylilies.me/>

Meetings are 10 a.m. - noon on the 3rd Saturday of the month
At: Commission on Aging, 2200 S. Lincoln Rd. Mt. Pleasant, MI. 48858
Social events are usually on the third Sunday of the month at 1:00 p.m



10/15/16 Regular Meeting - Live Owls, Hawks and other Birds of Prey with Joe Rogers of the Wildlife Recovery Association. Don't forget your camera.

11/19/16 Regular Meeting

Grand Valley Daylily Society

Meetings at Frederik Meijer Gardens

For more info visit their website:

<http://grandvalleydaylily.org/index.html>

October 6-Program to be announced

November 3-Speaker Bob Faulkner-Frederik Meijer Gardens-7:00 p.m.



Welcome to Our New 2016 SMDS Members



Pauline & Joe Dueweke of Cottrellville, Mi., Karen Erickson from Clio, MI., Robin Hamilton of Nashville, MI., Renee Herman of Gross Point Woods, Gary and Donna Joines of Sterling Heights, Juergen Kasprick of Sterling Heights, MI., Katie McCullen of Mason, Lance Mermell of Lake Orion, MI., Libby Militello of South Lyon, MI., Paula O'Donnell of Detroit, MI., and Janis Pardeik of Flushing, Mi.,

Please feel free to contact me. Share garden pictures, stories and articles or information about yourself and your gardens to be included in our newsletter. We would love to know more about you and the flowers you grow.

Teresa Dillon, editor

From the desk of the President:



Dear Daylily Buds,



What an exciting and successful year for SMDS! Let's go down memory lane to relive some of those memorable events.

March was magnificent as Phyllis Cantini gave us a superb educational and informative program about spider daylilies. We learned a lot from you, Phyllis. Thanks.

April was awesome when Tom Polston and Doug Sterling made our 2016 SMDS Banquet a fun and fantastic event. Thanks, Tom and Doug, for sharing your wonderful daylily hybridizing program and your fascinating farm life.

May was mesmerizing as Diane Pruden captured our attention and educated us about the plight of the Monarch butterfly and what we can do to help this incredible creature to survive and thrive despite the many obstacles that challenge its survival. Thanks, Diane, for your inspiration and dedication to the survival of the Monarch butterfly.

June was jovial when more than twenty SMDS members made a road trip to the beautiful gardens of the Lisik Nursery in Hemlock, MI to attend an enjoyable and friendly CMDS meeting. We all had a great time as we mingled with the CMDS members and purchased some precious plants from the Lisik Nursery. Great time! Great memories!

July turned out to be a jubilant time when we gathered our daylily blooms for the off scape daylily show at Telly's Nursery and hoped that we would win an outstanding daylily prize at the show. We were also overjoyed that we made over \$1000 on the plant sale that day! Thanks, Sandi Combs, Sheila and Doug Green for making the off scape daylily show a huge success!

August was awe inspiring when we attended the SMDS picnic at Cathy Clark's place in Imlay City and viewed her heavenly gardens and gathered together to eat and converse with one another. Thanks, Cathy, for your warm hospitality and for sharing your heaven on earth with us.

September was special because our members got an opportunity to see some incredible daylilies through the SMDS photo contest and show. Thanks, Diane Pruden, for putting it all together so that we could enjoy it. Phyllis Cantini, you did a great job making sure that everything ran smoothly. Thank you.

October's meeting will be held on Saturday, October 8th at 11:30am at the Congregational Church of Birmingham in the large Fellowship Hall. Chad Bush will be our guest speaker. This will be a potluck lunch. SMDS will provide the meat, fish and dessert. We are asking members to bring pasta salads, salads, casseroles, fruit and vegetable dishes. Please do not bring any dessert dishes. We are planning to eat at 11:30am, so please bring your dish to pass no later than 11:20am. We want to have plenty of time for Chad's presentation. This should be an interesting presentation.

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Please also remember to mark your calendars for our 2017 SMDS Banquet. The Banquet will be held on Saturday, April 22, 2017 at the American Polish Cultural Center from noon until 5:00pm. It will be at the same location that we had it at this year, but we have a larger room in 2017. In case you didn't hear about it, I will be the 2017 SMDS Banquet speaker. I plan to register 25 daylilies in November 2016 so I should have plenty of photos to show you.

However, we need your help to make sure that the Banquet is a huge success. Please start thinking about items that you would like to donate to the raffle and the live and silent auctions. Many nurseries are now putting garden items on sale for clearance. Handmade items are also very popular with Banquet attendees. Please consider making a donation to the Banquet.

We not only need your donated items but we could also use your assistance in completing certain Banquet tasks. Please consider volunteering some time to help get things done. Our goal as a club is to make sure that everyone has a great, fun time at the Banquet. It was very evident that everyone had an enjoyable experience at the Banquet this year.

More information about the 2017 SMDS Banquet will be emailed to you when it becomes available. Please make sure that your SMDS dues are up to date. I have included a list of 2016 SMDS memberships that expire on December 31, 2016. Please check out that list and renew your membership for 2017. Thank you.

Also, I would like to thank the SMDS Board for working tirelessly to accomplish the many things that have been achieved this year.

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

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ATTENTION SMDS MEMBERS

Please check over this list.

The following SMDS memberships will expire on December 31, 2016:

Cathy Clark, Kathleen Dargel, Lorna Desmarais, Teresa Dillon, Joe & Pauline Dueweke, Nathan Fisher, Robert Grenkowitz, Richard & Mary Gudobba, Renee Herman, Gary & Donna Joines, Marie Kase, Irene Koziel, Rick & Judy Marshke, Katie McCullen, Lance Mermell, Robert Missal, Paula O'Donnell, Diane Pruden, Pat Salk & Bill Kapustka, Thomas & Carol Sevcech, Louise Taylor, Tammy Voss, Rebecca Watterson, Mary Worley and Geraldine Young.

Please renew your 2017 SMDS Membership before the end of the year. Thank you!

John Kulpa
SMDS Membership Chairman

5 SMDS Members Gardens were on the July 16, 2016 Garden Walk

Barbara and Armand DeLisle, Marietta Crabtree, Greg Schindler, Denise Woods and John Kulpa worked diligently in the summer heat to have their gardens pristine and welcoming for visitors. Refreshments were served in every garden and cool drinks were necessary to help the garden visitors brave the hot day.

I was unable to visit all the gardens on this date but will share pictures of those I did get to see. I hope many of you took advantage of this great opportunity to observe what is growing well here in Michigan. I always get wonderful ideas of things to add to my gardens after these tours, and not just daylilies, but trees, shrubs various plants and garden art.

Thank you to all our members who participated in this event. As you well know, this was a tough summer for gardens and gardeners alike.



Denise Woods garden in Sterling Heights.

Denise grows a lot of daylilies and numerous other perennials and she does it well. It was a pleasure to stroll the garden and very relaxing sitting in the shade with a cold drink while taking in the views. (above and left)



Entering the drive at **Marietta Crabtree's house**, you know you have arrived at the home of someone who truly loves daylilies.

Daylilies are proudly displayed in enormous swaths and islands throughout this beautiful property in Thetford Township which includes a beautiful waterfall, charming garden statues and so much more.



Garden Tour

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Marietta has a fantastic view from her patio.

I only wish I had more time to spend in the gardens on this visit.



Talk about Wow Factor!

Check out the view of John Kulpa's house and gardens from the street in Warren, MI.



Since the Kulpa home sits on the corner of a city lot, John does not have lots of space for his daylilies, seedlings and the many other gorgeous potted annuals, lilies and perennials that he grows.

No matter which direction they are traveling, neighbors and people passing by are treated to an outstanding display of gorgeous flowers. John's seedling bed causes a person to walk away feeling light headed. Such a fantastic job this man is doing with northern daylilies. Thank you to all the hosts of this garden tour and since I could not visit all of the gardens. I am hoping that someone will share their pictures so we can all have a small insight into all of the gardens, please?

Teresa Dillon

A Hot Topic, the 2016 SMDS Daylily Show and Sale!

And the winners were...

Section 1: Single Cream to White---Siloam Ralph Henry---Marietta Crabtree

Section 2: Single Yellow to Gold---Titan of Ice/Butter Cream---Libby Militello/Laura Schultz

Section 3: Single Apricot to Melon---Hawaiian Passport-----Sandi Combs

Section 4: Single Pink (peach to rose pink)----Susan Elinor----Marietta Crabtree

Section 5: Single Lavender to Purple---Lydia's Regal Robe---Sharon Mowbray

Section 7: Small or Miniature---In The Navy-----Marietta Crabtree

Section 8: Spiders or Unusual Forms---Megatron-----Kathy Rinke

Section 9: Doubles-----Barbara Watts---Sheila Green

Section 10: Edged-----Cinch-----Armand De Lisle

Section 11: Eyed or Patterned-----Midnight at Tiffany's-----Sandi Combs

Section 12: Toothy Edged-----Bass Gibson-----Sandi Combs

Section 13: Seedings-----Rick Gudobba (1)---John Kulpa (4)

Section 6: Single Red to Black--- Christine Walser Hite---Armand De Lisle—Pictured Above



Below left: Members preparing their entries

Right: Potted daylilies for sale!



August 6 2016 SMDS Annual Picnic



This year Cathy Clark was our hostess at her gorgeous gardens in Imlay City.

There was plenty of space for parking and a new storage barn to shelter us from the hot August sun. Wonderful woodland gardens and walkways called us to explore. It was a perfect place for a picnic!

SMDS was invited to the CMDS June picnic at Lisik's gardens located in Hemlock, and CMDS members joined our picnic. It was a very well attended event.

Left: Cathy Clark greets CMDS President Jerry Brown and his wife Sue. Diane Pruden is on far left and CMDS member, Kathy Runyan is on the far right, taking in the beautiful garden view.

What a spread of food! I could not try it all but what I had was delicious and the folks sitting near me were expressing their delight in the meal as well.

Every person attending this event went home a winner. There were daylilies drawings, the names continued to be called out until everyone had a daylily. There was a drawing metal daylily sculpture and two were auctioned. Greg Schindler donated his 2016 daylily introduction, HIGHER FIRE, Kathy Rinke donated two 2016 daylily introductions from Chris Massengill and Geraldine Young, created two beautiful floral wreaths and donated them to our auction. Thank you all!

Pictured below- left: Irene Koziel was "shocked" when she won the metal daylily sculpture. Right: Members are choosing their free daylilies.



September SMDS Photo Contest

Diane Pruden organized and assembled the contest presentation then passed along her program to Phyllis Cantini who gave the presentation to SMDS.

Diane was already committed to attend the CMDS Daylily Sale, where she was also responsible for assembling pictures. Thank you Diane, for all your hard work for both clubs events, from both CMDS and SMDS. And thank you Phyllis for stepping up and making the SMDS presentation happen!

Armand DeLisle was the first place photo contest winner. There was a three way tie for second place by Greg Schindler, Bill Welsh and John Kulpa.

There were 13 door prizes at the September meeting. Thank you, Kathy Rinke for donating 6 huge pots of mums and for babysitting the 5 pots of daylilies used for door prizes. And thank you, Greg Schindler for donating two daylilies for door prizes!



Scenes from the June CMDS picnic where SMDS members were guests.

The picnic was held in Hemlock, MI at the home and gardens of Phil and Ginger Lisik. They have beautiful gardens including a waterfall, a bubbling stream and a picturesque bridge. Two greenhouses are on site, where they sell a variety of perennials and trees. They specialize in hosta and will field dig your selection of daylilies when they are in bloom. Give the Lisik's a call at 989-642-5772 and set a time to visit, you will not be disappointed.

Pictured Above left: Auction in Progress- John Juroszek as auctioneer. Right: SMDS President John Kulpa and CMDS President Jerry Brown.