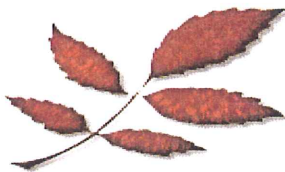




The SEED POD

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Editor Margie Brown

The Regional That Jack Built

(An Open Letter of Thanks to Jack Carpenter of The Lily Farm)

The 2006 Region 6 Meeting - *Golden Memories 1956 - 2006* - is just a memory, but what a memory it is! Much of the success is due to Jack Carpenter of The Lily Farm in Center, Texas.

Not only did Jack provide bus plants for each tour day, there were daylilies for each attendee in their welcome bags. And if that wasn't enough, he gave plants for us to give to each person at the end of the regional which represented our gifts to them as each table was decorated with white presents tied with gold bows. There were also plants for the flower show judges, workers from Houston area clubs, and speakers.

Now you would think that would be enough. Then he donated (yes I said DONATED) plants for our Regional Plant Sale. These went over so well, as they were his latest cultivars!

Enough? No. He donated two plants for our Silent Auction. These will be registered in 2007 and are out of his *Hemerocallis* 'How Beautiful Heaven Must Be.' Much to my dismay, while I was at the head table, I was outbid. The winners were Bridey Greeson and Mable Matthews. Congratulations on getting a super daylily.

He did all this to help the Gulf Coast Daylily Society of Southeast Texas. After all the above, he was, as always, extremely generous to the Region 6 Live Auction. The Region 6 Auction is the only way that the Regional has to replenish funds.

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WORK DAY & PLANT SALE

A workday for the Fall Plant Sale will be held at Lanny & Margie Browns home, 1685 Redbud in Vidor on Thursday, October 12 at 9 A.M. Members are urged to attend, bring your extra daylilies for donation and help prepare the plants for sale. If you need directions call the Browns at 768-1190.

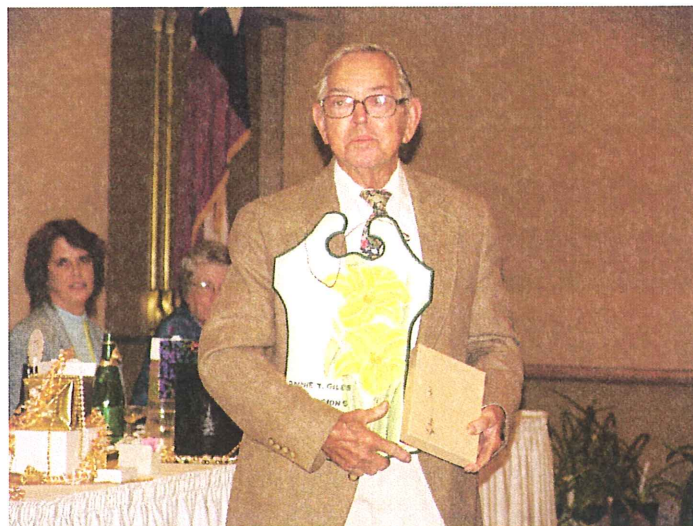
The sale will be at Central Mall in Port Arthur on Saturday, October 14 at 9 A.M. until sell out.

Congratulations

To Bobo Faggard for winning the Annie T. Giles Award at our recent Regional.

The Annie T. Giles Award is given to the best seedling hybridized by a member of the host society.

WAY TO GO BOBO!



Albert "Bobo" Faggard proudly accepting the Annie T. Giles Award for his seedling FM-D0-5-99



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Jack Built

Jack always supports Region 6 and the local clubs. He says he knows the amount of time and energy that goes into hosting a successful regional. But this is what I call "up and beyond the call of duty." Jack, we owe you big time!

And thank you, Josey, for all your hard work.

Margie Dumesnil
Gulf Coast Daylily Society
President

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Many of the members of Gulf Coast Daylily Club are long-time gardeners. The purpose of a garden club is sharing information and/or plants as well as the social aspects. We have ask several members to share some of their favorite tips for daylilies or gardening in general. This column is going to be a regular feature of these newsletters so be thinking of your most successful tips to share.

Margie Dumesnil - Fall is the best time to plant daylilies. The roots will be well established in your garden by the next blooming season.

Margie Brown - Be aware of the many micro-climates available in your yard. Structures, sun/shade or even proximity to other plants will make parts of your yard more cold hardy, damper, dryer or maybe form other conditions. When you plant keep this in mind and try to match the requirements of individual plants to your micro-climates.

Lanny Brown - Keep your grass clippings. Grass is very high in nitrogen and makes great compost. I use a grass catcher on my lawn mower which picks up 90-95% of all clippings. I place these in a 6 foot by 6 foot compost bin and allow it to build up to about 4 foot high. Keep moist and the temperature will reach 120 to 160 degrees, breaking down the into rich black compost over a 2 to 3 month period. Manure, kitchen waste, fish cleanings and other organic waste can be added to help speed the process. Compost is what I use in my raised beds. Our daylilies and vegetables love it.

Mable Nelson - If you want to hybridize, buy the two best plants that you can afford and use those, not the older ones. Its always beneficial to use a light mulch. It retains moisture, retards weeds and enriches your soil as it decomposes.

A Message From Our President

Gulf Cost Daylily Society has had a wonderful year with four months still to go.

Our first two plant sales were made possible by the generous donations of two of our members: Donald Cart donated the entire sale for Herb Fest; and Jean Barnhart donated many plants for our sale at Central Mall. Thank you Donald and thank you Jean; we sure do appreciate you.

After much preparation Regional 2006 has come to fruition with the best attendance in many years. Many, many attendees complimented us on our dedication to Region 6 for staying the course after Hurricane Rita.

Our eight tour gardens looked their best. The daylilies were in the spotlight; but many came to see the companion plants. And did they see them!!! There were so many inquiries regarding the identity of plants.

I know I asked a lot of each and every member, but our hard work paid off with a very successful Regional. Thank you to each and everyone that had a part in *Golden Memories 1956 - 2006* and helped us celebrate our 50th Anniversary. Everyone commented on how happy and cheerful we all were, and said they all had a ball. If the forty-five thank you notes I received were an indication - they certainly did!! Many thank yours remarked on the strength and dedication of our members. You are to be congratulated on a job well done.

Margie Dumesnil



Christmas Party

The annual Christmas party will be held at Groves Senior Citizen Center, 5649 Washington in Groves, 11:30 A.M. on Saturday, December 2nd. Due to the cancellation of the Workers Party in June, we will combine both the Workers Party for GCDS members and the Christmas Party.

Officers for the coming year will be installed. Members please bring donations of non-perishable foods for the needy and a daylily for the Daylily Exchange if you wish to participate. Door prize drawings for three AHS memberships will be awarded.

Mary Gage will provide the program with a selection of slides she made at our Regional and the AHS National Convention in Long Island, N.Y.

Club dues for the year 2006 are now payable if you have not done so.

September Meeting & Auction

The September meeting of Gulf Coast Daylily Society will be September 9, 11:30 A.M. at Magnolia Place in Port Neches - Suite 103, located at 1720 Magnolia (corner of. Hwy. 366 & 7th St.). Election of officers, announcement of seedling awards, door prize drawings, and a covered dish luncheon will be on the agenda.

We will have a mini auction. Some of the latest cultivars will be in the auction. These were left from the Regional plant sale where we had multiples. We had so many great plants for our attendees to choose. They were already marked at 1/3 the current selling price. Now we will start the bidding at 1/2 that price. These are mostly 2003 to 2006 cultivars from best known hybridizers, Jack Carpenter, Salters, Stamiles, and Trimmers. So, come ready to bid. They would make great additions to your gardens. The following cultivars will be available:

American Flyer	Devonshire Design	Here My Love	Natchez Lace	Sweet Land of Liberty
Ballerina Beautiful	Dragons Of Gold	Howdy Partner	One Day At A Time	Sweet Tranquility
Bouquets From Brooklyn	Dr. Julius Charba	Irresistible Charm	Our Friend Tom Wilson	Swirling Spider
Cherry Burst	Ebony Pools	Levi Davis	Palace Garden Beauty	Tigerland
Cherry Valentine	Elisa Dallas	Little Red Baron	Pink Pajamas	Tranquil Waters
Celestial Reflections	Enchanted Patchwork	Midnight Dynamite	Ribbons And Things	Twelfth Night
Chinese Incantation	Fractal	Mississippi Red Bed-Beauty	Shanthi	Volcano Queen
Cortina	Gathering Sunshine	Moon Witch	Southern Wind	Whimsical Witch
Cryptic Cypher	Happy Halloween	Mount Herman-Razzle Dazzle	Storm Over Toledo	Winter Treasure
Dark Music	Heaven's Portals			

