

2018 AHS Region 11 Winter Gathering

February 16-18, 2018 - Hilton Garden Inn - Independence, Missouri

AHS Region 11 cordially invites all people interested in growing daylilies to attend our annual Winter Gathering meeting get together in Independence, Missouri at the beautiful Hilton Garden Inn, conveniently located on Interstate 70, with easy access to a variety of restaurants, shopping areas, and the National Frontier Trails Museum or the Harry S Truman Presidential Library. Genealogy buffs will want to arrive early visit the new Midwest Genealogy Center just minutes away from the hotel, part of the Mid Continent Public Library system.

Additional points of interest in the Kansas City area include the Nelson-Atkins Museum, the Kemper Museum, the Arabia Steamboat Museum, and the National World War I Museum, a modern exhibition that meets world-class standards.

In other words, come early or stay late and treat yourself to some of the extra benefits of a Winter Getaway to the KC Metro area!

Our Winter Gathering is filled with programs of broad interest to gardeners. Since most registrants arrive before dinner time on Friday night, we have scheduled a fascinating program after the dinner hour [on Tree peonies by Nate Bremer of Solaris Farms in Wisconsin.](#)

AHS members who want to train as Garden or Exhibition Judges can take advantage of beginners' classes late Friday afternoon. **Note:** many people take Exhibition Judge Clinic I just for the wealth of knowledge about daylilies. It's a wonderful learning opportunity, even if there is no intention of going on to become an Exhibition Judge. Likewise, Garden Judge training is about developing powers of observation and the ability to take in the merits of the total plant.

Our principal speakers on Saturday are [hybridizer Bob Faulkner of Natural Selection Daylilies in Dayton, Ohio](#) and [Nate Bremer of Solaris Farms in Reedsville, WI.](#) Region 11's own [Diana Plahn](#) will give a talk on [orchids.](#)

[Our auction will include choice plants from Bob Faulkner, Nate Bremer, George Doorakian, and many others , including several from Region 11 hybridizers.](#)

[Our Sunday morning activities include presentations of new work by Region 11 hybridizers.](#)

[Rick Pearce,our Regional Publicity Director, will coordinate the slide presentations, and Sherryl Fitzpatrick will moderate.](#)

Photo Contest

Laura Hood is in charge of the Winter Gathering Photo Contest photo contest open to any person registered for the Winter Gathering. Contest rules will be posted in a separate sheet on the AHS Region 11 Website and on the AHS Membership Portal in November.

Registration Prizes

We will set aside three choice daylilies from among those donated for our auctions to give a prizes in drawings for early registration. One drawing will include the first 25 registrants. Another will be for the first 50 (excluding the winner from the first 25), and a third will be for everybody else! The “Braggin’ Bell” prize will be awarded to the daylily club with the highest percentage of membership attending. Do plan to join us for a wonderful weekend getaway.

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Date	Time	Event	Leader	Room
Friday (Feb 16)	3:00 - 8:00 PM (Dinner on your own)	Registration in lobby	Ron Azzanni	Lobby
	4:00 - 6:00 PM	Garden Judge Workshop 1	Michael Bouman	Independence B
	3:30 - 6:30 PM	Exhibition Clinic 1	Eileen Garrison	Independence C
	8:00 - 9:00 PM	Woodies...A Look to the Future	Nate Bremer	Independence A
Saturday (Feb 17)	7:00 - 8:00 AM (Breakfast with registration)	Registration in Lobby	Ron Azzanni	Lobby
	7:30 - 9:00 AM	Club Officers Meeting	Ann Redmon	Santa Fe
	9:30 - 10:30 AM	A Little Bit About Orchids	Diana Plahn	Santa Fe
	11:00- Noon	No Gimmicks... Daylilies that Perform	Nate Bremer	Santa Fe
	12:00 - 2:00 LUNCH (Lunch On Your Own)			
	2:00 - 3:00 PM	'Not Your Grandma's Daylilies'	Bob Faulkner	Independence C
	3:30 - 5:00 PM	Hybridizer Panel: Bremer, Faulkner	Ann Redmon, Sherryl Fitzpatrick	Santa Fe A
	5:30 - 6:00 PM	Social Gathering Cash Bar in Dining Room		California Room
	6:00 - 7:30 PM	Dinner		California Room
	7:30 - 10:00 PM	AUCTION		California Room

SUNDAY (FEB 12)	7:00 - 8:00 AM	Breakfast (Included in Registration)		
	8:30 - 10:30	Hybridizers' Introductions	Sherryl Fitzpatrick	Santa Fe
	11:00 - 12:00 Noon	Membership Meeting: Prizes, awards, Invitation to Region 11 Meeting	Ann Redmon	Santa Fe
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