

## 2019 AHS Region 11 Winter Gathering

February 15-17, 2019 - 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 to 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 'Barkeeping For Butterflies' by well known area Butterfly gardening expert, Lenora Larsen. You won't want to miss Lenora's entertaining and informational presentation!

Our principal speakers on Saturday are hybridizer Barry Matthie of Bonibrae Daylilies and Hosta, Bloomfield, Ontario (<http://www.bonibraedayliliesandhosta.com/>) and Bret Clement from Carmel, Indiana (<http://www.clementgarden.com/index.html>). Later on Saturday afternoon we will have a Hybridizer Forum, where anyone interested in hybridizing can join in a discussion with Bret and Barry, as well as our Regional hybridizers. Our auction Saturday evening will include a wide selection of choice plants from Bret Clement, Barry Matthie, Curt Hanson and many others, including several from Region 11 hybridizers. This will be a postcard auction, with plants to be shipped in the spring.

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 Sheryl Fitzpatrick will moderate.

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.

### 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 as 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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<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Leader</b>	<b>Room</b>
<b>Friday (Feb 15)</b>	<b>3:00 - 8:00 PM (Dinner on your own)</b>	<b>Registration in lobby</b>	<b>Lois Hart</b>	<b>Lobby</b>
	<b>3:30 - 6:30 PM</b>	<b>Exhibition Clinic 1</b>	<b>Eileen Garrison</b>	<b>Independence C</b>
	<b>8:00-9:30</b>	<b>Barkeeping For Butterflies</b>	<b>Lenora Larson</b>	<b>Independence A</b>
<b>Saturday (Feb 16)</b>	<b>7:00 - 8:00 AM (Breakfast with registration)</b>	<b>Registration in Lobby</b>	<b>Lois Hart</b>	<b>Lobby</b>
	<b>8:00-9:30</b>	<b>Club Officers Meeting</b>	<b>Ann Redmon</b>	<b>Santa Fe</b>
	<b>10:00-11:15</b>	<b>Bret Clement Program</b>	<b>Bret Clement</b>	<b>Santa Fe</b>
	<b>11:30 - 2:00 LUNCH (Lunch On Your Own)</b>			
	<b>2:00 - 3:15 PM</b>	<b>Barry Matthie Program</b>	<b>Barry Matthie</b>	<b>Independence C</b>
	<b>3:30 - 5:00 PM</b>	<b>Hybridizer Panel: Clement, Matthie</b>	<b>Ann Redmon, Sherryl Fitzpatrick</b>	<b>Santa Fe A</b>
	<b>5:30 - 6:00 PM</b>	<b>Social Gathering Cash Bar in Dining Room</b>		<b>California Room</b>
	<b>6:00 - 7:30 PM</b>	<b>Dinner</b>		<b>California Room</b>
	<b>7:30 – 10:00 PM</b>	<b>AUCTION</b>		<b>California Room</b>
<b>SUNDAY (FEB 17)</b>	<b>7:00 - 8:00 AM</b>	<b>Breakfast (Included in Registration)</b>		
	<b>8:30 - 10:30</b>	<b>Regional Hybridizers' New Intros and Seedlings</b>	<b>Sherryl Fitzpatrick</b>	<b>Santa Fe</b>
	<b>11:00 - 12:00 Noon</b>	<b>Membership Meeting: Prizes, awards, Invitation to Region 11 Summer Meeting</b>	<b>Ann Redmon</b>	<b>Santa Fe</b>
	<b>Noon</b>	<b>ADJOURN</b>		