

Hope you are staying cool this week! Sounds like the temperature is going to be a little bit nicer than it has been the last couple of weeks.

Hope you and yours had a wonderful 4th of July!!

The daylilies were slow to start this summer, but our daylilies are in full bloom, and they are gorgeous with all of the spring rain we had!

What a great display of hosta leaves at the Black Swamp Hosta and Daylily Society's 14th biennial "Rivers of Leaves" show held at Toledo Botanical Garden on Sunday, June 23rd. Phil Parsons won the Best of Show ribbon and glass award for his entry of H. 'Munchkin Fire' - Section V, and first timer exhibitor Helen Hundsrucker won Best Seedling/Sport ribbon and glass award with her seedling of H. 'Fruit of the Loam' in her DIY Soil Test Series I - Section VIII. Charlie Harper won the sweepstakes ribbon and glass award for having the most blue ribbons - 18 out of 20 entries. Also on the front table winning "Best Section" honors was Charlie's H. 'Leading Lady' - Section I; Frank Patz's H. 'Tyler's Treasure' - Section II and H. 'kikutii' - Section III; (first timer exhibitor) Shelly Abramcyk's H. 'Peach Salsa' - Section IV; and Phil's seedling of H. 'Sum and Substance' - Section X. A "Special Award" ribbon was won by Shelly in the Trough/Container Grown Garden class, just beating out first timer exhibitor Dianna Vasquez's container garden entry. Special thanks to Sarah DaPra, show chairman, from Jackson, MI., who also served as one of our judges, and to Grey Gitzen from Saginaw, MI who served as a judge. Twelve members participated in the show with 150 entries, and participating in addition to the above winners were Linda Hoffman, Eileen and Harold Hoffman, and first timers Fred Bobel, Jim Boldt, Linda Scheuerman, and Vicki Dillon. In addition to the exhibitors, thanks go out to Marian Parsons who manned the classification table with Linda Scheuerman's assistance; Placement was handled by Jim Flannery and Arnie Vasquez; Betty Moore was head Clerk, assisted by Linda S. and Vicki; and Charlene Patz-Tabulation. Dan Parratt made beautiful floral displays from the leaves the exhibitors brought that were not entered in the show to highlight the variety of hostas that are available, and he placed signage about the show in and around the gardens urging visitors to come see our hosta show and to visit the American Hosta Society National Display Garden. Thanks to Marian and Phil for staging the show! A special thank you to Linda and Rich Nagy who put together our potluck luncheon, and to everyone who brought a dish to share! Rich also served as our welcoming ambassador during the afternoon festivities. A BIG Thank You to everyone who made the show such a success, and to everyone who came to visit the show!!

To view photos of the Hosta Show that Eileen posted on our website right after the show, here is the link: <<https://blackswamphostaanddaylilysociety.weebly.com/photo-gallery.html>>. If anyone has photos to share, please email them to Eileen (email: <sailA33@accesstoledo.com> and she will upload them to the album, so check back

often to see what she posted. Several photos that Frank took are attached - in the event you do not visit our website.

Joining our society at the Hosta Show was Camille Bratton from Toledo, who is helping Charlie Harper this summer in his beautiful Bowling Green home, and Fred Lang from Perrysburg “who has been wanting to join but just never did”. Be sure to welcome Camille and Fred the next time they attend one of our regular meetings.

The fourth annual “Flag City Daylily Tour” is next week-end (July 12-14) and features four Black Swamp members: **Sharon and Ron DeCooman**, 4251 County Road 236, Arcadia, OH 44804; **Mike and Denise Anders**, 712 Redfox Road, Findlay; **Ann and George Brickner aka Perennial Plant Peddler**, 8755 Township Road 251, Findlay; **Linda and David Spahr**, 9898 Township Road 234, Findlay; and three other Findlay gardens: Richard and Robin Hopkins, 1214 Hurd Avenue, Findlay; Keith and Becky McClelland aka McClelland Daylilies, 9728 County Road 37, Findlay; Rick and Barb Kidwell, 316 Beechmont Drive, Findlay.

Flag City Daylily Tour: July 12 and 13 - Friday and Saturday: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; July 14 - Sunday, Noon to 6 PM.

The self-guided tour is open and free to the public. Maps to the gardens are available at <www.facebook.com/flag.city.daylily.tour> and <www.pplantpeddler.com>.

For more information, contact Mike at <anders@findlay.edu>, Tele: 419-889-8827

And if you have not seen the Photo Arts Club exhibit “Wild Weather” – be sure to check it out soon.

Wild Weather

This exhibit which is at the Photo Arts Club of Toledo features the extraordinary weather photos of Meteorologist Ross Ellet and storm chaser Aaron Rigsby. These photographs depict weather in its most violent and spectacular forms. They are from the works of both artists and cover areas throughout the USA.

Ross Ellet is a well-known meteorologist of long experience. He is a graduate of Purdue University, and is the morning Professional Meteorologist at WTVG 13ABC in Toledo. Aaron Rigsby is located in Colorado Springs, Colorado. He is a 25-year old storm chaser from Marysville, Ohio. He has documented the historic Pilger, Nebraska twin

tornados of 2014, Hurrricanes Michael and Harvey, and over 100 tornados across the USA.

The exhibit will be open weekly Friday, Saturday, and Sunday from noon to 4 PM through Sunday, July 28th. Admission is free.

The Photo Arts Club of Toledo is located in the Artist Village of the Toledo Botanical Garden, which is part of Metroparks-Toledo.

Black Swamp members Lisa and Jerry Marlatt of Ogden Station Daylilies welcome individuals and groups to visit whenever they are home in July & August. Please call or email to arrange a time when Lisa and Jerry are available. 7120 Hodges Hwy., Blissfield, MI 49228 - Tele: 517-443-5530, Email: <info@ogdenstationdaylilies.com>

Charlie Harper's Bowling Green garden is a national hemerocallis display garden open to visitors. Call Charlie at 419-308-6603 to set up a time to stop and see his gorgeous garden.

Spotted by Eileen Hoffman on Facebook:

Hallson Gardens, in Cement City, MI, is looking great for a hot July and we are overloaded with beautiful plants ready for your garden.

Open 7 days a week from 9am to 9pm (or dark) from Mother's Day weekend into October. Open all holidays.

Nursery
Address:
14280 S
Meridian Rd
Cement City, MI
49233
GPS Suggestion:
17680 US Highway 127
Cement City, MI 49233

We are beginning our nursery liquidation sale so everything is on sale here with bigger savings when you purchase more. At this time you must visit the nursery to take advantage of these savings:

Take 20% off your purchase of \$100
Take 25% off your purchase of \$200
Take 30% off your purchase of \$300

Take 35% off your purchase of \$500
Take 40% off your purchase of \$1000 or more

Don't miss out on your chance to visit our nursery and gardens! We are open every day from 9am to 9pm, including the 4th of July, and our last day open will be October 12th, 2019.

Thank you for all of your years of support. We have truly appreciated every moment of it

Chris Wilson and Brain Hall 😊

And from Mike Anders via Facebook: In case you have not heard, Wade and Gatton Nursery, 1288 Gatton Rocks Road, Bellville, OH, which closed in March, is now open to the public Mon-Fri from 1 – 4 PM to liquidate their potted plant inventory in their shade houses. Prices are per pot – not per hosta crown. What a bargain!
Thanks for sending, Mike!

Have you been keeping your journal up-to-date on your hosta tissue culture plant H. 'Etched Glass' that you may have received at our April meeting? The auction next month will be your first opportunity to bring your plant back to be eligible for a tissue culture plant next year. If you are not going to be at the auction, you can bring your H. 'Etched Glass' to our September 21st or October 12th meeting to get credit for bringing it back.

Speaking of our daylily auction - which is Saturday, August 17th at Toledo Botanical Garden behind the Conference Center - if you have daylilies that you would like to donate to the auction this year or have been growing one of the plants passed out at our 2017 auction, please contact Kevin Kwiatkowski, chairman of the auction committee, to give him the name(s) of the daylilies and how many fans you will be donating. Kevin's email address is <kevin.judy@bex.net>, Tele: 419-349-7413. Please contact Kevin as soon as possible with this information, so he will have time to get all of the information on the daylily auction list. Our daylily auction provides you the chance to purchase newer, expensive daylilies at very reasonable prices. Also, if you have been a member for two (2) or more years, you can take home a plant to baby-sit for two years-keeping one fan and returning the others for our auction in 2021.

Also, on Saturday, August 17th we will be holding our annual Daylily Garden Work Day at Toledo Botanical Garden from 9 A.M. – 11:30 A.M. We need lots of helping hands to clean up the American Hemerocallis Society display gardens. We have a great time and get a lot of work done in a few hours. This is a great opportunity to learn about varieties of daylilies, the different awards, how to divide and grow them properly. You may want to park in the Bancroft parking lot which is close to the daylily garden. More info in our August EFLASH.

We now have 436 “Likes” on our FB page, and our website was viewed 217 times in the past week.

Thanks, Eileen, for keeping our Facebook page and our website current and interesting to see what’s happening!

FACEBOOK: <https://www.facebook.com/blackswamphostaanddaylilysociety/?ref=ts>>
WEBSITE: <https://blackswamphostaanddaylilysociety.weebly.com/>

If you have any info for the next EFLASH, be sure to send it to us.

Live life to its fullest!!!!

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