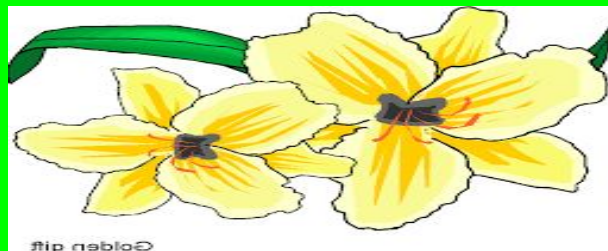


# Upstate Daylily Society

February Meeting Newsletter  
2/18/24



# "Our Daylily Dirt"

Neil Richardson, club vice president, presided over our meeting on Sunday, Feb. 18, 2024 at 2:00pm inside the Anderson, SC library. We began with the following:

- Pam Walters, club secretary, read aloud our Jan. Club Newsletter
- After a discussion about monthly meeting refreshments; it was decided that we needed to return to simple finger foods, no large meals, and have a calendar available for member sign-up. Pam Walters agreed to create a Refreshment Calendar and share with members.
- Terri Honeycutt shared information about the current condition of our daylily garden at the SC Botanical Garden. The garden needs sprucing up, mulch, weeds pulled etc... Terri offered to take pictures so we could determine what is needed. A meeting at the garden in March was also discussed, but date not finalized.

## Our Daylily Dirt cont...

- **URGENTLY NEEDED asap!** Our club booklet is not ready for printer. We still need member's selfies. Please send your picture to Jill at [jburriss@anderson4.org](mailto:jburriss@anderson4.org)
- Also, dues of 10.00 per member are now due! 😊 See form on last slide!
- Brenda Coggins has agreed to do the flower arrangement for the Region 15 regional competition May 31-June 1 in Columbia, SC this summer. Thank you Brenda! 🌸
- Since the SC Botanical Gardens wanted 100% of our fundraising profits, a decision was made to investigate other venues for selling our daylilies. Many suggestions were given such as Azalea Festival, Anderson Soiree, and Greenville Market Downtown. Decision is tentative.
- Hybridizers Margo Reid and Jim Murphy, from Virginia, were decided upon to help increase our daylily collection.

## Our Daylily Dirt cont...

- Please let Nancy Hart know if anyone needs a little pick me up if under the weather. She is our ☀️ Sunshine Coordinator ☀️ and will mail a "little sunshine" to anyone in need! Her email address is [nancyehart@bellsouth.net](mailto:nancyehart@bellsouth.net)
- Special Note to Past Members- We would love to keep you on our monthly newsletter list, but if you would like us to remove your name, please contact me at [pgwalters54@gmail.com](mailto:pgwalters54@gmail.com)
- As soon as March meeting date and/or garden work day is confirmed; I'll send out an email ✉️

## MORE COMPOST A NOTES

- If you are having trouble receiving my emails and/ or need a name tag, please contact me. You are welcome to email me at [pgwalters54@gmail.com](mailto:pgwalters54@gmail.com) or text at 864-630-1568. Thank you again Ginny for giving me names of members still needing tags 🤝
- A meeting reminder will always go out 1 week prior to our meetings. I am trying to send out our newsletter the week following a meeting, The exception would be if we are waiting on a date/decision for our next meeting or get together.
- If you have visited a garden, or have some of your own garden pics./advice/garden revelation idea please share! I need inspiration. It's fun seeing what everyone is growing. Gardening tips and expertise from all of you master gardeners would be so appreciated by all! 🌿
- I'll try to send out an email prior to sending newsletter, so anyone can add to it. Just email or text your info and any pics.



**DON'T FORGET TO SIGN UP FOR MONTH ON THE "REFRESHMENT CALENDAR"! We need at least 3 people per month** 🎂

The Blue Ridge Orchid Society Show  
Kelvin Bryant and his wife Tammy recently visited the Blue Ridge  
Orchid Society Show hosted by Duke Energy on Lake Keowee Feb.  
15-17. Tammy has some beautiful plants! Thanks for sharing these!



*Show Orchids*



*Tammy's Collection*

# Garden Gazers

I recently visited the Camellia Garden inside Clemson's SC Botanical Garden with family Feb. 16th. They were beautiful!

## Camellia Trail

The distinct terraces along the upper side of the Camellia Trail echo past cultivation of cotton and corn in the Piedmont. Part of the original bequest of Thomas Green Clemson, this area of the Garden was next to an old debris dump (now covered by the Duck Pond).

The South Carolina Botanical Garden began in 1958 when the camellia collection near the football stadium site was moved here.



Tea plants (*Camellia sinensis*) are grown primarily for harvest of young leaves, but also make attractive landscape plants.

If it's late fall or winter, enjoy the diversity of flower shapes and colors of our camellias, including over 180 Southern favorites, as well as new selections, hybrids, and cultivars.

Camellia varieties are categorized by flower form, rather than color (*Camellia japonica* has over 50,000 named cultivars). Notice the differences in petal arrangement among *Camellia japonica* 'Sally B.', 'Debutante', and 'Tricolor' compared to the single flower of *Camellia sinensis* (the species used for black and green tea).



*Camellia*  
'Sally B.'



*Camellia*  
'Debutante'



*Camellia*  
'Tricolor'

# SC Botanical Garden's Camelias and Flora





# Happy Gardening!



*"Gardening adds  
years to your life and  
life to your years"*  
Unknown Author

*Spring is just around the corner!*



*Better get diggin!*

# These are 2 slides from Bill Hurt's powerpoint presentation last year.

We add these soil improvement elements

1. 10 bags of Soil Conditioner
2. 10 bags of composted cow manure
3. 8 bags of Mushroom compost
4. 10 bags of Miracle Gro Potting soil

We also added shredded leaves when we had them. This builds up the soil and raises the beds. It allows for good drainage once the plants are added.

We fertilize only once per year We use a layering process with no digging. All materials are layered in this order. With lightly handfuls encircling the clump.

1. Blood Meal
2. Cottonseed Meal
3. Alfalfa pellets
4. Powdered Molasses(cattle feed)
5. Milorganite
6. 3 inches of composted cow manure

We store for easy application

# Upstate Daylily Society Membership Form

## UPSTATE DAYLILY SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Upstate Daylily Society is a local club of Region 15 of the American Hemerocallis Society. Dues are \$10.00 per person payable in December of each year. Send this completed form along with your dues to

FRAN CRUMLEY, TREASURER  
225 JARRETT ROAD  
ANDERSON, SC 29626

E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

CELL PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

GARDEN NAME \_\_\_\_\_

Join the American Hemerocallis Society, a very worthwhile membership. Yearly individual dues are \$25.00. Family membership (2 persons) is \$30.00. Youth membership is \$10.00. A subscription to the Daylily Journal and the Hemalina is included with each membership category. Visit them at [www.daylilies.org](http://www.daylilies.org) or contact