LOUISVILLE AREA DAYLILY SOCIETY

LADS APRIL 2011 NEWSLETTER

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The Good, the Bad and the Ugly!
I think the Best of the Good is: Spring is here! Our daylilies are up and growing quickly along with the peonies and the daffodils and tulips are blooming. Even my hostas are popping through and the Spring trees are in full bloom. This truly is a wonderful season. Unhappily some little bad is here to in the form of frost! I hope that it doesn't harm the new growth on tender plants too much.

The convention planning is coming along with some bumps and one a very bad bump. I had been under the impression that our busses and hotel plans were set in stone and all was perfect. Just a week or so ago I learned there was no contract for the busses. Last week I did get a signed contact and the costs were as we had been told. Those plans are set in stone. I learned later that the hotel business wasn't done either! So on March 24th we went to seal that contract. Everything went smoothly until costs were revealed. This becomes the REALLY Ugly part. The cost for the two dinners are $75.24 instead of $45.00 that we had been led to believe to be the cost. I really apologize that I hadn't looked into this months ago and found the truth before we set our budget. Thankfully, for as long as I've been a member of LADS, we have saved our money for the convention. In the twelve or fourteen years I've been a member we've never needed this money to pull us out of a hole but now we do and thankfully for the insight of our previous leaders they have provided for us now. Again, I apologize for not checking this out thoroughly. We have a few other contracts to give out and believe me when I tell you they will be "checked out".

Skip has told me that contact with Ted Petit has been made and Michael has sent the $2,000.00 check. I just hope those members have paid their dues by April 1st if they expect to get a "Rewards Plant". Special notices have been sent to those that haven't paid. I'm really looking forward to handing these plants out to our members. I'm certain we will have a number of plants left over for us to auction off so BRING CASH or CHECKS! Due to the surprising $3,000 error in our convention budget LADS can certainly use the inflow of money. I'm also looking forward to hearing Don Smith's talk at our April meeting. I'll email him a few days in advance so we won't miss his talk this month. I'm also excited to go to Wallitschs for our May meeting and I think there won't be a June speaker as I think we will have enough on our plate due to the convention a week or so later. Would you like a visit to Bob Hills in July?

I had a call from Richard Porter telling me that Mr. Bob Scott is sending us a hundred or so "bus" plants for our convention, if we pay the shipping. I told him, "Of course we would". I hope you all approve of me spending that money without your consent. We can always say no as they won't be sent for a couple of months.

I'm sure we all send our sincere condolences to Gale and Herbie for the loss of Gale's father. It's always difficult to lose a parent and we must somehow find some sort of consolation in the fact that this is the way life goes. Sometimes Life is just plain Ugly!
If any of you have any questions about ANYTHING to do with LADS please don't hesitate to email, write or call me. I'll try to find the answers to your questions.

Thanks for all the support you have shown me! In the coming months I'll need a whole bunch more!! Then we can coast for the rest of the year and enjoy each other's company and friendship and our gardens, too.

John

DORIS STONSKA'S DIGGING AND PLANTING PARTY

REQUEST FOR GALLON POTS

John Morgan would like to request LADS members save all one gallon plant pots for future use during regional meeting and summer sales. Pots with 400 or 600 on bottom can be used. Please bring to Doris Stonska's digging and tagging party, on April 16h. The digging will begin at 8:30 A.M. and the tagging will start at 10:30 A.M.. Her address is 8032 N. Watterson Trail, Louisville Ky. 40291.

LADS CALENDAR

April 6th……..Michael Stephens will be sending in the tee shirt order. Go to www.lads11.org, under the link, newsletters to make your selection.

April 16th……Digging and tagging for Locust Grove

April 28th……LADS Meeting, Don Smith speaker, distribution of Ted Petit Hybridizer Plants. Membership dues MUST be in good standing.

May 1st……..Tree Peony Tours, Don and Kathy Smith will be open Sunday May 1st, from noon to 5:00 P.M.. Their address is 4003 **Sylvan** Court, Floyd Knobs, In 47119. Call Don Smith with tour questions: 812-923-8113.

May 13th, 14th and 15th…….Locust Grove Fundraiser

May 15th……Regular Peony Tours, Don and Kathy Smith will be open Sunday May 15th, from noon to 5:00 P.M. Their address is 4003 Sylvan Court, Floyd Knobs, in 47119. Lads President John Morgan will be on tour, noon to 5P.M., His address is 4537 Southern Pkwy, Louisville, 40214. Lads secretary Helen Coffey and her husband Frank will be on tour, noon to 5 P.M.. Their address is 901 Wicksbury Place, Louisville Ky. 40207(near Seneca Park, side of house faces Old Cannons Lane). Call Don Smith with tour questions: 812-923-8113.

May 19th…… LADS Meeting, Wallitsch's Nursery and Garden Center

June 16th……LADS Meeting, COUNT DOWN TO REGIONAL.

June 24th, 25th and 26th, LADS hosts 2011 REGIONAL

July…….Bob Hills

August……..John Morgan's picnic and auction

MINUTES

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MEMBERSHIP

Application for Membership

Louisville Area Daylily Society

www.lads11.org

Name _____Date_____/_____/_____

HomePhone_____Cell_____

Address_____State_____Zip_____

Email Address_____

AHS Member Yes/No_

ANNUAL DUES

Individual--$10.00 Dual (same household)-- $15.00 Youth (under 18)--$7.50

Please make checks payable to: Louisville Area Daylily Society or LADS

Mail payment to: Michael Stephens, 11613 Reality Trail, Louisville, KY, 40229

LADS WEBSITE

Go to LADS website for profile of daylily gardens for Regional Meeting.

Michael Stephens has put LADS teeshirts on the website under the link newsletter. www.lads11.org

MONTHLY MEETING: Thursday, April 28th, 7:00 PM, Douglass Community Center, 2305 Douglass Boulevard. Don Smith will present a power point program with views of his garden during the twelve months of the year. LAdS will distribute Ted Petit Hybridizer plants and auction any left over. Bring checkbook or cash , these will be hard to resist.

HOSPITALITY

We are asking members N through Z to please bring a dish to the April 28th meeting. Thank you