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LLOYD RAVET HEADLINES THE WDS NEW YEAR

Saturday, January 12th

1:00 pm

UW West Ag Research Station
Mineral Pt Rd, Madison



*Some of Lloyd's babies.
He's a man of many talents!*

From 3 inches to 6 feet, from shade to full sun, from rock garden to perennial border, from desert to far northern climates, irises can find a home in every garden. They come in every color of the rainbow except true red and can delight from springtime to fall frost. Come to the January meeting and gain a new or expanded appreciation of the plant that is next to the orchid in diversity.

Lloyd Ravet, one of our own, is also a member of the Madison Area Iris Society as well as The American Iris Society and The Species Iris Group of North America (SIGNA). SIGNA is a group of iris lovers that choose to be out of the ordinary realm of iris growers. Don't worry; Lloyd will gear most of his talk to irises we can grow in our Wisconsin zone 4B gardens.

He will give a basic Iris 101 and then branch out in many directions to give you a peek into the broad ranges you could pursue if you choose to try a few irises in your garden, no matter what type of gardening you prefer. The idea is to learn a bit about the new varieties that can enhance your garden with color when daylilies aren't in bloom!

*"Every gardener knows that under the cloak of winter lies a miracle
... a seed waiting to sprout, a bulb opening to the light, a bud straining to
unfurl. And the anticipation nurtures our dreams.*

Barbara Winkler

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Calendar of Events 2013

Jan 12th, Saturday, 1:00 pm, West Ag Station,
Speaker: **Lloyd Ravet** and his Irises

February 8-10th, **Garden Expo**, Alliant Center

February 23rd, Saturday, 2:00 pm at West Ag Station,
Speaker: **Karen Watson-Newlin**, "Applying Art
Lessons to Your Garden". **WDS Photo Contest**

March 9th, Saturday, 1:00 pm, Fitchburg Center,
5520 Lacy Rd, Speaker: **Margo Reed & Jim
Murphy, Woodhenge Gardens**, North Garden, VA

April, **Hybridizers Showcase** Details TBA

May 18th, Saturday, 1:00 pm West Ag Station,
Speaker: **Bret Clement, Laredo, IN**

June ??? **Garden Party**, Location (at your home??)

June 28th to 30th, **AHS Region 2 Summer Meeting**
Cincinnati, OH

July ??? **Annual Garden Tour**

July 24th to 27th, **National AHS Convention**,
Minneapolis, MN

August 3rd, Saturday, 12:30 pm **Adoption/Auction
Program**, Savannah Oaks School,

August 17-18, **WDS Daylily Plant Sale**
Olbrich Gardens

October 12th, Saturday, **ANNUAL MEETING** at
1:00 pm, Location TBA

Speaker: **Mark Carpenter, The Lily Farm, TX**

Be sure to check our website for updates.



MAY THE SUN SHINE ON GARDEN EXPO

By Chris Zeltner

It is that time of year again - time to think about Garden Expo, to be held on February 8, 9 and 10. We need your help with our booth. In past years our enthusiastic volunteers have recruited lots of new members, and all have enjoyed viewing the winning pictures from our Annual Photo Contest.

We will need help setting it up on Thursday, February 7th in the afternoon. After that we will need help staffing the booth from 3-6 pm and 6-9pm on Friday night. On Saturday the open shifts are 9-11 am, 11 am-1 pm, 1-3 pm, and 3-6 pm. On Sunday the open shifts are 10 am-noon, noon-2 pm, 2-4 pm, and take down right after it closes at 4 pm.

We need several people to help with set up and take down and all of the other shifts require three people. You will receive one WDS \$\$ for every hour that you work, and you get a pass that gets you into Expo. You will have to pay for parking. You are responsible for keeping track of your hours and getting the volunteer form back to me.

We can not do this without your help so please volunteer. Contact me, Chris Zeltner, at 608-873-5257, or email me at czeltner356@gmail.com.

I am having a total knee replacement on New Year's Eve day so email is preferred, but if you leave a voice mail I will get back to you. Please do not expect a response from me before January 14 or so. I know from my last knee replacement that I will not be very useful for the first two weeks and not fast enough to get to the phone for a while after that. I will get back to you, just not as quickly as in the past.

Thank you for your help,

OUR FEBRUARY MEETING FLOWERS INSIDE SNOW OUTSIDE

If you've ever visited Rob & Karen Watson-Newlin's garden, you know that Karen is eminently qualified to speak to us about design tips for the garden for interest and fun. Her presentation will be based on "Applying Art Lessons to Your Garden".

Karen is a retired art teacher from the Verona school system and has applied the principles of art she's taught for many years to their beautiful gardens at their home on Almor Drive in Verona. You will recall that last summer their gardens were featured in the July issue of Better Homes & Gardens. Her post-retirement career is planning gardens for others.

She will be speaking at our meeting on February 23rd at 2:00 pm (NOTE THE TIME!), at the West Ag Station on Mineral Pt. Rd. What better way to chase away the winter doldrums? You really don't want to miss it.

WDS MEMBERS SELECT THEIR TOP TEN FAVORITES

By Conrad J. Wrzesinski

Old favorites continued to be popular in the 2012 Wisconsin Daylily Society Top Ten Poll conducted at the WDS Annual Meeting. Jeff Salter's 'Moonlit Masquerade' was the first place winner with 43 votes edging out last year's winner, Curt Hanson's 'Primal Scream' by just three votes. In the most recent Region 2 Popularity Poll 'Moonlit Masquerade' placed 13th. Curt Hanson's 'Primal Scream' remained in 1st place in the same poll. A total of 88 votes were cast.

Dan Trimmer's 'Persian Ruby' made its first appearance among the WDS Top Ten in 6th place. Curt Hanson's 'Bela Lugosi' and Pat Stamile's 'Strawberry Candy' were edged out by just one vote from making the WDS Top Ten. Last year 'Bela Lugosi' was in 5th place.

Richard Norris' 'Mary's Baby', Greg Schindler's 'Matchless Fire', Don Herr's 'Peace Be With You' and Karol Emmerich's 'Woman at the Well' were among the favorite write in votes.

Below is a complete list of our 2012 Top Ten favorites.

1. 'Moonlit Masquerade' Salter – 1992
2. 'Primal Scream' Hanson – 1994
3. 'Ruby Spider' Stamile – 1991
4. 'All American Chief' Sellers – 1994
5. 'Paper Butterfly' Morss – 1983
6. 'Persian Ruby' Trimmer – 1998
7. 'Webster's Pink Wonder' Webster-Cobb – 1994
8. 'Designed To See' Grace – 1998
8. 'Heavenly Angel Ice' Gossard – 2004
8. 'Wayside Painted Lady' Klehm-Elsley – NR

Pictures of the WDS 2012 Top Ten, which were taken by the Kleckners, the Kleinheinzs and Conrad Wrzesinski, are posted on the WDS web site (<http://www.wisdaylily.org>).

Membership News

After all the activity in WDS membership as a result of our annual sale, I only have a bit of news for this issue.

Welcome to new members: Anne Gunther in Verona and Julian Rheume (now a family member with his wife Ritchie).

NEW EMAIL ADDRESSES: Jeannette Golden: jgolden4142@gmail.com; Paula Krueger: cenapaula@aol.com; Lane Revenal: lmrevenal@gmail.com; Carol Schiller: gardens@chorus.net; and Kathy Stella: kathydstella@gmail.com

RENEWAL REMINDER: For members whose membership expires at the end of 2012, please remember that this issue is the last one which will arrive in your email inbox or USPS mailbox. Members who have email will receive a message from me with a copy of the renewal form. Members receiving their issue by USPS will have a membership renewal form mailed inside their Newsletter.

I look forward to seeing you at our 2013 meetings.

Gene Dewey, WDS Membership Registrar



SEVENTH ANNUAL WDS PHOTO CONTEST

By Conrad J. Wrzesinski

With the winter season upon us it is time to revisit your photos from a summer of daylily favorites and enter the Seventh Annual WDS Photo Contest. At the February general meeting WDS members will vote for their favorite photos. The top four winning photos will be displayed on the WDS web site (<http://www.wisdaylily.org>) and featured in the 2014 WDS Garden Expo booth. The winning photographers will also receive a certificate for a free plant of their choice at the WDS Daylily Sale in August.

The four winning daylily photos from the WDS 2012 Photo Contest were: 'Frans Hals' by Wendy Benz, 'Indy Fireworks' by Pat Ellingson, 'La Ceiban Sunset' by Lloyd Ravet, and a seedling by Paul Pratt

To enter the WDS Photo Contest you must follow the official contest rules listed below.

- All entrants must be members of the Wisconsin Daylily Society.
- Each entrant may submit a maximum of two photos. With a family membership, each family member may submit two photos for the contest.
- If an entrant submits two photos, only one photo may win regardless of the total number of votes each photo receives.
- The person submitting the photo must have taken the picture.
- Photos need not be taken in the member's garden.
- Photos may be an individual bloom, daylily clump, daylilies with companion plants, or daylilies in a landscape (garden) setting.
- Photos must be submitted in digital form. (Higher resolution is preferred.)
- Winning photos will be selected by vote of the WDS membership. Each member may vote for a maximum of three photos.

• Contest winners will receive an enlarged photo of their winning entry. The size of the photo enlargement may vary depending upon the resolution of the original image.

• The Wisconsin Daylily Society reserves the right to display winning photos at WDS functions, including but not limited to the WDS web site, WDS Garden Expo booth, WDS scrap book, and use in WDS presentations.

If the photos are in digital format, email them as an attachment(s) to conradw@charter.net. If you are using a film camera, you need to have the pictures transferred to a CD. Walgreens, Walmart, Woodmans, etc. provide this service. Send the CD to Conrad J. Wrzesinski, 3010 Elm Lane, Middleton, WI 53562.

THE DEADLINE TO ENTER IS FEBRUARY 1, 2013.



THANK YOU, JOHN!!!

A sincere and hearty thank you to John Sheehan for his many years as President of WDS, and for his unlimited commitment to our society.

WDS HYBRIDIZER GROUP

By Pat Sturdevant, Outgoing Chairperson

The WDS Hybridizer group met at Olbrich Botanical Gardens for our fall meeting. We had 12 energetic souls in attendance. Even with problems getting the projector & laptop to work together, we were able to see some nice new seedlings. Growing conditions and seed set were real problems for many this past summer.

We have submitted Paul Pratt's name as the new chairperson of this group.

Nine of us continued our conversation at Ellie's Family Restaurant over breakfast & burgers, until almost 2:00 pm. All in all, we had a great time.

STEPPING UP TO AN EXCITING ROLE

By Paul Pratt

As many of you know, Pat Sturdevant has lead the hybridizer's group for many years. She has shared her passion and time to keep the hybridizing group connected. At this time, she has decided she needs a break. Volunteers were requested. Like plunging into a cold pond, I was at first reluctant to jump off the dock. Could I do a good job? I decided to let my daylily passion lead the way. I am taking the plunge, head first, to lead the hybridizing group to uncharted waters. My mission is simple: "Advance the hybridizer in the attainment of their goals and unite its active members in memorable fellowship".

This year, as a group, we are going to try some new adventures. We hope to put together an affordable 2014 daylily calendar for a fund raiser. In July, I will organize 1-2 trips to hybridizer's gardens for the education of their programs and the opportunities of purchasing new hybridizing material. I also hope to organize a pollinating/BBQ party for those interested in setting seed on plants they don't have in their hybridizing programs. In the later fall, after seed harvest, I hope to pull together a "seed swap" for hybridizer members. This would be a great opportunity for members to trade for something they don't have and could use in the attainment of their hybridizing goals.

I will also spend time with anyone who wants to learn how to download photos from their cameras, organize them, put them on flash drives for easy transport, create slide shows, etc. The more confidence an individual has with technology and their photo presentation skills, the more we will be able to share gardens with each other.

Hoping to create some awesome memories in 2013.....

Jan. 12th, after our regular WDS meeting, the hybridizer's group will be heading over to Rayovac to discuss our 2014 Daylily Calendar project. For all the hybridizers interested in helping to make this project a success (and those that have the time to dedicate), we welcome your assistance.

WE COME TO THE END OF ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL YEAR

By Mike Stafford

On a warmish, foggy October day, WDS held their Annual Meeting, and when our president, John Sheehan announced a change in the order of business, who knew the changes that were really on the horizon. John began the business portion of our meeting by asking for acknowledgement of those who volunteered at various events during the year. Many in the crowd of 100 + stood and we all received a good, collective pat on the back. Next, he introduced our newest board member, Lane Reveal, who will be filling Joanna Pasowicz' term, and finished with a nice thank you to Kathi Dwelle who is winding up her role as historian. Motions were then made and passed to approve the minutes of the 2011 Annual Meeting and accept the treasurer's report.

As ballots were distributed for the board of directors election and to determine what willing organization would receive our 5% sale donation, Jean Bawden rose and thanked John for his continuing service to our group, especially the efforts he has put into acquiring our adoption plants. Whilst those ballots were being tabulated, our new dues structure was discussed with much spirit, and when a "visual" counting of approval was inconclusive, paper balloting was deemed necessary. This resulted in a defeat of the proposal, so our dues schedule remains the same.

Before taking a short break, Rosemary Kleinheinz spoke of our challenge grant to Wisconsin Public Radio and specifically Larry Meiller's "Garden Talk". The grant was very successful both monetarily and for getting the WDS "airtime". Returning from the break, results of our balloting were announced and our 5% donation will be going to Green Bay's BAD BUDS, which will help in their expenses for the 2014 Regional Meeting. The four candidates who passed muster were, Wilma Herwig-Breuer, Rita Thomas, Mike Stafford, and Francis Kleckner.

After an excellent meal from our catering fave, B'Travolyon, John introduced our guests from Daylily World (see Barry Rowe's piece below), who gave an entertaining presentation. This was then followed by an auction of Kirchhoff/Morss intros which raised over \$800.00. The meeting ended after Mark Jankowski (of Bay Area Daylilies) spoke briefly about the 2014 regional meeting and thanked WDS for its assistance. It was a great way to end a not uneventful meeting. I encourage as many as possible to attend next year!



Pat and Sharon are taking this voting very seriously. Jim's another story!



Hiram and June receive a warm welcome from Diane, Gene and Rita.



Rosemary finds it a pleasure to chat with the infamous David Kirchhoff.

Photos of meeting by K. Dwelle
Photos of daylilies from Daylily World

THE DAYLILY WORLD OF DAVID KIRCHHOFF AND MORT MORSS

By Barry Rowe

We had two outstanding guest speakers at our annual meeting. David Kirchhoff and Mort Morss began hybridizing in 1967 on the hills of San Francisco. All the required terracing proved daunting for them, so they moved to flat Sanford, Florida, in 1972. David's father had established Daylily World there some years earlier, and had invited them to join him in the daylily business. Sprawling real estate development forced them to relocate to Lawrenceburg, Kentucky, in 2006.

Their initial goals were to develop more rounded forms, and to keep out root rot. In 1973, David noticed that "almost everything reblooming out there was presenting a double bloom." He used some of these blossoms to begin his doubles hybridization program, culminating in 1987 with the Ida Munson Award for Stroke of Midnight. He is currently developing several lines of tetraploid doubles, including good reds, near whites, and toothy doubles. Some of his most famous names are Betty Woods, Bill Norris, Chorus Line, Schnickel Fritz and his Truffle series.

Mort has been working on tetraploids with patterns and eyes. His first introduction, Inner View, came in 1982. His biggest names include Always Afternoon, Paper Butterfly and Witch Stitchery. They both had good stories about their cultivars with celebrity names, such as Barbara Mandrell, Julie Newmar and Claudette Colbert.

They showed many slides of previous introductions, 2012 and 2013 introductions, and other future seedlings. Their presentation concluded with an auction of some of their newest and finest. Lucky buyers were treated to bargain prices by David's fast-paced auctioneering. They brightened up a gloomy day in more ways than one.

We were very fortunate to have David and Mort as our guests. These two have serious credentials. They have both won the Bertrand Farr Award for outstanding results in hybridization. Both have won the Stout Silver Medal (highest award) and Lennington Award (best performer over a wide geographic area) with their cultivars. David demonstrates depth with seven Ida Munson double awards, and together they have breadth with winning cultivars in eight different specialty award categories: extra large diameter, early season bloom, miniature, small, double, eyed or banded, late-blooming and patterned daylilies.



Mort's H. "Ganymede"



David (l) and Mort (r)



David's H. "Barbara Mandrell"

WHERE IS OUR NEW EUREKA?

In past years this was the time to curl up with a cup of coffee (or something else) and enjoy the beautiful pictures in the latest edition of the "Eureka". Unfortunately, for some unknown reason, it appears that there will be no 2013 edition of our popular "Eureka Reference Guide" this year. Questions have circulated on the Daylily Robin, but no information has been forthcoming.

Until we hear further, we will just have to be satisfied with our 2012 edition.

SOME FINANCIAL NOTES

By Diane Scharkey, Treasurer

At the time the year-end report was published I did not have the final WDS \$\$\$ figures for the year. As they become a larger part of our finances, I wanted you to know that in 2012 we gave out 4,850 WDS \$\$\$ and took in 5,002. That's a lot of rewards for a lot of volunteers. Our thanks to you.

Also, regarding the defeat of our request for an increase in dues, we didn't do a good job of helping you understand why we made the request.

In 2012 we did end up with a profit of \$2,669 due in large part to the fact that we had no bus trip and a garden party at minimal cost. We felt that an increase in dues would help us in the future when our expenses may be higher.

WDS MAKES A DIFFERENCE IN 2012

As we look back over the year and count our many blessings, we can be proud that we also took the time to share those blessings with others. The list of recipients included:

- \$2,000 Olbrich Gardens (Unrestricted)
- \$2,000 West Madison Ag Station (Unrestricted)
- \$ 500 AHS Region 2 (Newsletter)
- \$1,000 Allen Centennial Gardens
- \$1,500 5% from Sale - Wisconsin Public Radio
- \$ 100 Region 2 Memorials

In addition, WDS donated daylilies worth \$2,186 in plants to the Henry Vilas Zoo. (Note: We will be able to sell the excess in years to come.)

Thanks to everyone for their many efforts over the past year which have kept our coffers healthy and our generous gift giving possible.

Here's an update regarding our contribution to WPR's Larry Meiller Show. As you may recall, we had stipulated that the \$1500 was to be used as a matching challenge grant during Larry's Garden Talk program during pledge week.

In a phone call the next day from WPR I learned that in the first 60 minutes of the show they had a goal of 70 calls and received 53, and with a goal of \$7280 they received \$5,660. In the last 30 minutes (when our grant was announced) they hoped for 20 calls and received 60, and hoping for \$2080, they received \$5452!! We did make a difference - and we earned some great publicity at the same time!

WELCOME TO THE WDS IN 2013

By Francis Kleckner

As your new WDS president I welcome all of the members, old and new, to another very exciting year of WDS activities.

The regular monthly meetings will feature a very interesting mix of local and national speakers along with our very own WDS Hybridizers. Everyone should make an effort to attend these meetings as they are a great way to learn and meet new people with the same addiction.

July will bring what is hoped to be a new twist on what is normally local garden tours. More information will be provided as it becomes available.

In early August all WDS/AHS members will be eligible to participate in a drawing to receive a beautiful adoption plant. Everyone will have the opportunity to bid on Auction plants from previous years' adoption programs.

The August sale is not only an excellent source for buying daylilies but a great time to volunteer and become acquainted with many of your fellow members. We really are a friendly group!

Another great speaker, along with a super meal, will highlight our final function of the year, the annual meeting. Now is a good time to start thinking about running for the WDS board as we will need new members to replace the ones who have served out their terms.

In closing I want to remind everyone that without you, the membership, the WDS would not be the successful organization it is. All of your enthusiasm and volunteering make it work. KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK!!!

If anyone has any concerns feel free to contact me. Any new members I do not know please introduce yourselves to me. I really enjoy meeting new people.

Remember, the WDS is your club.



DAYLILIES FOR DINNER!

Did you come to the Annual Meeting and pick up a little lavender booklet entitled "A Daylily Feast 'Hemerocuisine'"? Did you wonder, like I did, where it came from? Well, wonder no more. We have the story.

Janet Gordon put the booklet together for a Daylily Flower Show when she was a member of the Long Island Daylily Society in New York. She gathered many of the recipes from past Journals, and others from friends and acquaintances,

Janet especially likes using parts of the plant for salads. She says the scapes taste like asparagus, and the tubers resemble water chestnuts.

Thank you, Janet, for sharing this booklet with the WDS. We are blessed to have you as one of our members.

LEADING THE WAY IN 2013

By Mike Stafford

The baton (garden trowel ?) was passed at the board meeting on Dec. 3, 2012 as John Sheehan introduced Francis Kleckner as our newest board member (and soon to be acclaimed president) of the WI Daylily Society (WDS). Also introduced at this meeting was the prospective (and soon approved) new head of the WI Daylily Society Hybridizer's Group (WDSHG), Paul Pratt and Genni Kleckner as our new Adoption/Auction Plant Procurement Program chair. After the mutual introductions, Paul gave a spirited presentation of the plans for the WDSHG for the coming year, and it all seemed very exciting. With Genni becoming chair of the adoption plant program, our plantings at the Sanner's Farm in Brooklyn, will be gradually moved to the Kleckner acreage outside of Muscoda. This will greatly help in the maintenance of the plot, since Francis has agreed to assist. We would like to thank Don & Phyllis Sanner for their generosity in allowing the use of their space, and of course John Sheehan for his role in the establishment and management of this program. Thanks to you all !

In other news, several other committees have new chairs or had their focus shifted. Kathi Dwelle has shuttered her camera as historian, with Rita Thomas now taking over that position. Genni Kleckner's role as hospitality head honcho has been slightly revamped...she now has a co-chair for the Daylily Sale Hospitality area---Barb Kaja. Wilma Brouwer-Herwig is now chair for the garden tour event, with a possibly interesting twist (further details forthcoming).

Other committee/chairs are as follows:

Adoption Plant Procurement.....	Genni Kleckner
Annual Meeting.....	John Sheehan
Auction/Adoption Hor's dourves.....	Hospitality (?)
Communications.....	Conrad Wrzesinski
Daylily Sale.....	Tom & Rosemary Kleinheinz
Display Gardens.....	Rosemay Kleinheinz
Door Prizes/Raffles.....	Rita Thomas
Garden Expo.....	Chris Zeltner
Garden Party.....	Rosemary Kleinheinz
Garden Tour.....	Wilma Brouwer-Herwig
Guest Speakers.....	John Sheehan
Historian.....	Rita Thomas
Hospitality.....	Genni Kleckner
Hospitality-Daylily Sale.....	Barb Kaja & Genni Kleckner
Newsletter.....	Rosemary Kleinheinz
Photo Contest.....	Conrad Wrzesinski
Registrar.....	Gene Dewey
Top Ten Poll.....	Conrad Wrzesinski
WDS Dollars.....	Vaughan James
Webmaster.....	Mary Wrzesinski

Should you (as members) recognize any of the above at our events, be sure to thank them for their efforts which make our group so unique and I'm sure they will be open to any suggestions as to how we can improve our events.

MARCH BRINGS US MARGO REED & JIM MURPHY

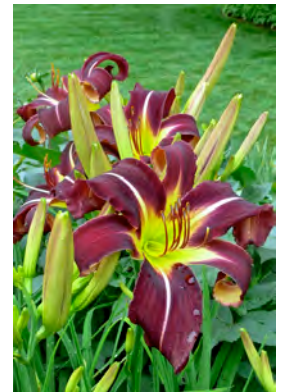
Help us welcome Margo Reed and Jim Murphy on Saturday, March 9th, 1:00 pm, in the lower level of the Fitchburg Center on Lacy Rd. Margo and Jim, from Woodhenge Gardens located near the Blue Ridge Mountains of Virginia, specialize in spider, unusual form, and exotic daylilies.

Their goal in hybridizing is to introduce plants that are hardy in the north. We can attest to their success as many of their plants have been successfully growing in our area for many years. *H* "Orangutan" is one of the first to bloom in our garden; *H* "Grey Witch" has been in many of our sales; and *H* "Creature of the Night" is a standout in any garden.

Jim, in particular, has a lot of Lates and Very Lates. Everyone is always looking for more of those garden extenders.



Jim Murphy's H "Margo Reed Indeed"



Margo Reed's H "Creature of the Night"

Here's our holiday gift to you - the recipe for Tom's delicious lime coconut cookies that so many of you have requested. It's too late for you to make these for Christmass, but I'll bet you can find another occasion to serve them. Beware! They won't last long!

CHEWY COCONUT-LIME SUGAR COOKIES

Makes 2 dozen cookies. The final dough will be slightly softer than most cookie dough. For the best results, handle the dough as briefly and gently as possible when shaping the cookies. Overworking the dough will result in flatter cookies.

- 2 1/4 cups unbleached all-purpose flour
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon table salt
- 1 1/2 cups sugar, plus 1/3 cup for rolling
- 2 ounces cream cheese, cut into 8 pieces
- 1/2 cup sweetened shredded coconut, chopped fine
- Grated zest of 2 limes
- 6 tablespoons (3/4 stick) unsalted butter 1 melted and still warm
- 1/3 cup vegetable oil
- 1 large egg
- 1 tablespoon milk
- 1 dram bottle of lime oil (available at Vanilla Bean)

Adjust oven rack to middle position and heat oven to 350 degrees. Line 2 large rimmed baking sheets with parchment paper. Whisk flour, coconut, baking soda, baking powder, and salt together in medium bowl. Set aside.

Place 1 1/2 cups sugar, lime zest, and cream cheese in large bowl. Place remaining 1/3 cup sugar in shallow baking dish or pie plate and set aside. Pour warm butter over sugar and cream cheese and whisk to combine (some small lumps of cream cheese will remain but will smooth out later). Whisk in oil until incorporated. Add egg, milk, and lime juice; continue to whisk until smooth. Add flour mixture and mix with rubber spatula until soft homogeneous dough forms.

Divide dough into 24 equal pieces, about 2 tablespoons each (or use #40 portion scoop). Using hands, roll dough into balls. Working in batches, roll balls in reserved sugar to coat and evenly space on prepared baking sheet, 12 dough balls per sheet. Using bottom of drinking glass, flatten dough balls until 2 inches in diameter. Sprinkle tops evenly with 4 teaspoons of sugar remaining in shallow dish (2 teaspoons per tray), discarding any remaining sugar.

Bake, 1 tray at a time, until edges are set and just beginning to brown, 11 to 13 minutes, rotating tray after 7 minutes. Cool cookies on baking sheets 5 minutes. Using a wide metal spatula, transfer cookies to wire rack and cool to room temperature.

OUR NEW BOARD FOR 2013



Here's the new WDS board with Paul Pratt who was voted as the 2013 chair of the WI Daylily Society Hybridizers Group. Other members from left to right are Diane Scharkey, Barry Rowe, Lane Revenal, Francis Kleckner president, Rita Thomas, Vaughan James, Mike Stafford, and Wilma Brouwer-Herwig.

Photo Thanks to Rita Thomas