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This month's newsletter is devoted to the MTDS CAP Program. To begin, the CAP program began as a program to provide a level of incentive to members that participate in regular club outings. The following describes the CAP program.

<u>GOALS:</u> The goals of the Middle Tennessee Daylily Society (MTDS) Cultivar Acquisition Program (CAP) are:

- 1. To allow Society members to acquire recent daylily introductions that they may keep for their gardens after the contract period.
- 2. To evaluate how cultivars from different hybridizers perform in our area. To provide MTDS an opportunity for revenues through the sales of returned plants.

<u>TERMS</u>: The program is a contractual relationship with MTDS under which qualified members receive CAP cultivars for a growing period of two years. At the end of the two year period the members are allowed to retain two fans of their cultivars while returning all remaining fans to MTDS. If a member has only one fan of a cultivar it is to be returned to MTDS. If only two fans, one is to be returned to MTDS, and the other becomes the property of the member. Upon written request the growing period may be extended for one year if it is deemed more time is required for the cultivar to increase. Until plants are returned, all CAP plants, regardless of the number of fans available, remain the property of the MTDS. Cultivars that are returned to the MTDS are then to be auctioned to the membership.

Members are required to submit a report on the status of each cultivar annually.

QUALIFICATIONS: Participation in the CAP is open to active and new members who meet the required qualifications by the end of the previous calendar year. Membership in both MTDS and the American Hemerocallis Society (AHS) for the year of qualification <u>and</u> year of CAP distribution is required. The qualification is based on members' participation in both service and non-service activities in the year prior to the CAP distribution. Annual participation must include a minimum of eight (8) MTDS activities, two (2) or more of which are to be MTDS service activities. UNLESS SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE WITH THE CAP CHAIRMAN FAILURE TO RETURN PLANTS OR REPORTS BY THE SPECIFIED DATES WILL DISQUALIFY MEMBERS FROM PARTICIPATION IN FUTURE CAP ACTIVITIES.

MTDS CAP Qualifying Non-Service Activities: MTDS scheduled and called meetings (including fall outing and Christmas party); AHS Region 10 Mid-Winter Symposium; AHS Region 10 or other AHS Regional Meetings; AHS National Convention

MTDS CAP Qualifying Service Activities: Set-up of MTDS booth at Nashville Lawn and Garden Show; Sale at MTDS booth at Nashville Lawn and Garden Show; Any dividing parties for MTDS plant sales; MTDS plant sales (participation in assisting with the sale);

Participation in MTDS Daylily Show which includes: Set-up for Daylily show or sale; Committee participation with Daylily show; Working as clerk for daylily plant sale at Daylily Show; Host Dividing Party or Breakfast in the Garden; Host MTDS-Sponsored Open Garden Tour; Active participation in MTDS committees; Donations of plants [at least twenty (20) potted or ten (10) clumps of three or more fans] for MTDS sales.

CAP DISTRIBUTION: During the CAP distribution meeting, one cultivar, drawn at random, will be awarded to each eligible member. Members accepting CAP cultivars acknowledge that there is the possibility that plants may not be "rust free", even though they were received by MTDS with no visible signs of rust. Eligible CAP recipients agree not to hold MTDS or any of its chairmen or board members responsible for rust in the event any cultivars subsequently develop rust.

CAP AUCTION: Each spring during the CAP distribution meeting, previous CAP plants will be returned to MTDS (thereby ending each participating member's obligations for returned cultivars) and offered to MTDS members at auction for a minimum opening bid of \$5.00. Each cultivar will be awarded to one or more members offering the highest bids. As there are no controls on the growing conditions of the plants being offered at auction (except those from licensed commercial daylily sources) it is to be understood that MTDS, its chairmen and board members, can bear no responsibility for the condition or health of any plant offered for auction.

## The 2015 CAP plants to be awarded to eligible members of MTDS







Whitetip Reef Shark

Wild Bite

The current list of members eligible to receive a CAP aware are as follows:

Jack Alexander, Steve Chitwood, Don Felts, Nancy Felts, Shirley Fincannon, Pam Fote, Linda Hassler, Sam Hassler, Lucas Holman, Nancy Ligon, Cullen Merritt, Sandra Merritt, Kate Patrick, Emily Robertson, Carolyn Simpson, Jay Turman, Peggy Turman, Rusty Turner, Penny Warren, David Wilbur.

If you believe you are eligible and your name does not appear in the above list, please check with Shirley Fincannon. You may reach Shirley 1017@att.net.

## A tentative list of the potential CAP plants to be auctioned May 2015

This display contains all of the CAP plants that are expected to be returned. Those that do return will be available for the CAP Auction May 12, 2015



Beyond Pluto - \$75



Blockbuster\* - \$100



Blue Racer - \$50



Buffalo Thunder - \$100



**Butterfly Ripples\* - \$100** 



Cake & Champagne - \$125





A special thank you to Pam Fote for arranging all the photographs of all cultivars see in this month's newsletter.

We hope to see you at our next meeting, Tuesday, April 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM, Cheekwood Botanical Garden, Potter Room. Our meeting will be "Is Gardening for the Birds?" presented by Wild Birds Unlimited.