

IRIS SILENT AUCTION

We had a very successful Silent Auction for the Iris purchased by the club. We do not have an iris "distribution" like the daylilies but several years ago it was decided that we needed to actively keep "iris" in the club activities. Diann Pavelka and LeeAnn Pisarik led the charge the first year and now have added Shelly Lett to the team. With some brainstorming it was determined that we could hold a silent auction for the iris with bids from club members only. Cancellation of the May plant distribution and auction meant that Diann and LeeAnn potted the Japanese and Siberian Iris and Diann was the "plant sitter" all summer. Then the Bearded Iris were delivered and it was important that the iris all go to new homes in an expedient manner. Shelly received and tallied all the bids. Diann Pavelka and Lyle Moen did delivery of many iris. Thank you Diann, LeeAnn, Shelly and Lyle. A big thank you to all the members bidding on the iris. We appreciate your support of this event to raise funds for future CVIDS activities. I hope you have your iris planted and will enjoy the color next spring.

REMEMBER....

You will need notes and photos from your daylily club plants that will be returned in 2021. We could not bring back our 2018 club plants and hope you have saved the information needed when the plants are hopefully auctioned in 2021.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO CVIDS

The Cedar Valley Iris and Daylily Society was started in 1990. We have active Charter Members. Five years ago Nancy Carlisle led the club in a 25th Anniversary Celebration. We have not had an opportunity to hold a 30th Anniversary Celebration (yet) but do congratulate all members for their contributions to keep the club running.

The November Banquet marks the end of my Presidential term and the club will need new leadership. With only one meeting so far this year and the last two meetings still undecided, there will be an opportunity for looking at what we did and did not accomplish this year. The club is scheduled to host the Summer 2023 Region One Meeting and planning can begin again.

MOVING FORWARD

I am hopeful we can hold an October meeting and the November Fall Banquet. They are both scheduled but the decision has yet to be made about a cancellation. We will wait to see if schools remain in session and wait to see if there are directives from the Governor. I do know we cannot meet in Williamsburg at the Catholic Church but a new location will be found if we can indeed meet October 10. Heather is excited to organize a Hybridizer Spotlight and has been working on a way to show her seedlings. I hope other hybridizers are willing to participate also. Look for more information coming soon.

For now, the plan is to create the hybridizer program for the October meeting. If we do not meet in October, the presentation will be emailed as a Power Point Program to all members. It is good to have "Plan B" and hope we do not get to "Plan C".

The DERECHO IN IOWA

In July Lyle and I were traveling to Open Gardens and were caught in a wind, hail and rain storm but that is nothing compared to the derecho in Iowa and Illinois and other areas of the Midwest. I do not know the extent of damage each member experienced but I do know it was extensive for many members. Sherry and Lynn have a lifetime supply of firewood. Sue and Dave in Cedar Rapids lost many valuable shade trees that will have serious consequences for their gardens. Cari and family in Cedar Rapids cannot live in their home. Mary Moore's family came to help with her clean up. A tree fell on Gary's car in Lowden and it is a total loss. Keith and Sally lost two giant oak trees. Heather and her family lost trees as well. Ginger lost 6 trees and many tree limbs. Barb lost tree limbs. Thankfully Ginger, Barb and Gary are safe and supporting each other. Tony and Kim have a "twisted" garage. Nancy Carlisle had tree and electrical damage. This is not a complete list and I want all members to know we care about your losses and let us know if we can help.

