

Cedar Valley Iris and Daylily Society

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From the President



It was an unusual year for CVIDS members. The January 2020 meeting was cancelled due to snow and ice. The February meeting had great attendance with double the programs. We were serious about the

planning details of the Region One Summer Meeting. Then, COVID-19 restrictions meant we canceled the March and April meetings and the May plant sale open to the public. Determined to hold our annual club daylily plant distribution the committee brainstormed options to still select plants and created a relay system to create drop off and pick up points for the club plants. Social distancing with masks did create some welcomed contact with fellow members. We sure hope to hold the postponed plant auction in the spring of 2021. The next decision was to hold or cancel the 2020 Region One Summer Meeting planned for July 10-12, 2020. Members were asked for input and after much deliberation, it was decided that the best decision was to cancel the summer meeting. It was extremely disappointing after the planning and anticipation of hosting our daylily friends in Region One.



Nancy Rash, Newsletter Co-Editor (Serious)
Lyle Moen, Newsletter Co-Editor (Fun Stuff)

From the President continued:

Thank you to all CVIDS members and Region One members supporting our decision to cancel 20/20 A Perfect Daylily Vision. Our planned Open Garden hosts for the Region One Meeting still held Open Gardens in July plus other members were added to the list. With several weekend dates, members were able to travel to see many beautiful gardens.



CVIDS has long held in August a second plant sale open to the public, a club meeting and club daylily plant return and auction and silent auction of iris plants all in the same long day. Members supported the decision to cancel the day's events. Another disappointment but the iris committee put together an email silent auction with delivery so the iris could be planted before fall. But before the silent auction was held, we experienced the derecho in Iowa with Cedar Rapids being the hardest hit area in Iowa. Many members throughout eastern Iowa and over the state line into Illinois suffered damage with extensive losses. Trees and limbs down, a car and truck lost and extensive home damage was reported. The loss of tree canopy will change the amount of sun and shade now provided in some gardens. One member related how her hybridizing tags blew away! Lots of unknown x unknown seedlings!

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From the President continued:



The Cedar Valley Iris Daylily Society was organized in 1990 and we have 10 of the original charter members. 2020 was our 30th anniversary. We were busy with the Region One Meeting planning and the opportunity to celebrate our 30th anniversary had not been



planned. The COVID-19 Virus and the derecho both postponed or eliminated the chance for a celebration in 2020.

Our annual and final celebration of the club year has been the Fall CVIDS Banquet and Photo Contest. A speaker and plant auction has always been the highlight. The membership once again was asked for input on attending a club gathering. The vast majority of our membership said they would not attend. Many members expressed how much they missed other members and the time together. There will be much socializing once members of the Cedar Valley Iris and Daylily Society meet again.

Annual Report 2020 Submitted by Nancy Rash, President 2019-2020 Cedar Valley Iris and Daylily Society



From the President continued:

THANK YOU TO MEMBERS

Thank you to all CVIDS members that responded to the many email messages I sent out this year. It is not easy to conduct club business when we could not meet in person and using email was



the best way to reach most all of the membership. Your feedback was greatly appreciated. I was warmed by all the personal messages you sent also. You are dedicated and caring members of the Cedar Valley Iris and Daylily Society.

Nancy Rash, President



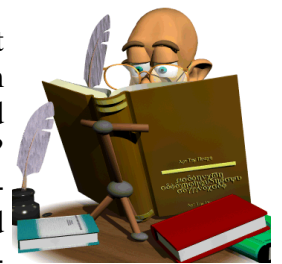
WHAT IS NEXT?

I will contact CVIDS Board Members and see if they would like to have a board meeting via ZOOM. At this point in time there are no arrangements made for any CVIDS meetings, events or leadership in 2021. **Please let me know how you would like to be involved in CVIDS for 2021.**



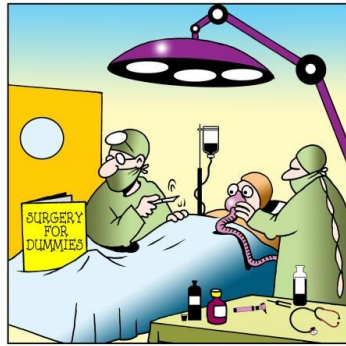
CLUB HISTORIAN????

Is there a CVIDS member that would like the notebooks with photos of the 2015, 2016 and 2017 CVIDS Club Plants? The website has the PowerPoint presentations archived but this would be a paper record. I do not see that we have a club historian. Is there someone that would like to have these? Please let me know. Nancy Rash



MEMBER UPDATES

Keith Riewerts had back surgery on October 21 and his initial cautious optimism has been upgraded to real smiles with no pain pills since getting home. This is good news!



Please keep members in your thoughts as they continue to meet the challenges caused by the August 10th derecho. Lyle and I have seen the damage at the homes of several members. This will take an extended time to clean up and manage the destruction.



2020 CVIDS FALL BANQUET CANCELLED BETTY MILLER PHOTO CONTEST DEAD- LINE EXTENDED TO NOVEMBER 30, 2020

Photo Contest Entries to be received by
NOVEMBER, 2020

This year's categories and complete rules can be
found on the website at:

<http://www.cvids.org/board.html>.

Submit entries to Mary Jo Duffy at 2630 Newport
Road NE, Iowa City, IA 52240.

No additional fancy modifications (framing, or
computer filters/colorization) may be made to the
photo but cropping and centering are allowed. Size
to be submitted is a printed 4" X 6" photo. Names
of photographer, flower and category must be on
the back. There is a maximum of 2 entries per cate-
gory per person.

We will not be meeting in person to vote so watch
for more details coming from Mary Jo Duffy so we
can all participate in the CVIDS 2020 Photo Con-
test.

I have seen lots of photos posted on Facebook so
please go back through your 2020 photos and sub-
mit entries per the contest rules. This is one way
we can keep the membership engaged and you can
share your 2020 garden highlights with the mem-
bership.

