



The CVIDS Newsletter

From the Cedar Valley Iris and Daylily Society

February 2004

January Minutes

Our January 17th meeting was held at the North Liberty Community Center. Jan called roll by asking members to respond with their favorite companion plant. We welcomed newly joined member Tracy Miller of Wellman.

Bob Brandt, chairperson of the Jones County Master Gardeners, presented a very informative program on water gardening. Anyone interested in adding a water feature to their garden would find Bob a great source of information.

Everyone signed a get well card for Kyle Billadeau, who underwent triple bypass surgery in January. The Eureka Daylily Reference Guides were available for pickup by anyone who had ordered one. Included in the shipment were some old Reference Guides, which are for sale. There is a 2000 for \$15 and a 1995 for \$10. Bob Moore pointed out that Betty Miller and Jan Null were featured photographers in this year's Eureka. Jan put together a list of all of the daylilies pictured in this year's Eureka. Sharon has copies if anyone would like one.

President Jan Null called the business meeting to order. She thanked Gerald for ordering the Eureka's and bringing them to the meeting for distribution.

Gerald gave the treasurer's report. Since the last report the following disbursements have been made:

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- \$788.75 to the Ox Yoke Inn for our Fall Banquet
- \$38.00 to Pat Mercer for the club's AHS membership
- \$80.35 flowers for Betty Miller
- \$517.00 Eureka Daylily Reference Guides
- Total = \$1424.10

Sharon submitted a bill for postage of \$30.34.

Jan discussed committee assignments. If anyone wants to be on a committee and wasn't assigned to one, please contact Jan.

Suzanne Moffit thanked everyone for their calls, cards and attendance at Betty's visitation and funeral and said that Betty's flowers will be dispersed this summer. Jan offered the Miller family the help of club members to dig and/or care for Betty's garden if needed. Gerald requested someone write a eulogy for Betty to be published in the Pioneer.

Jan asked that anyone needing a correction on the membership list talk to her or Sharon. Also, if anyone has listed an e-mail address they do not check regularly, please let us know so it's not used to contact you in an emergency situation.

Club Plants

Club plants will be purchased again this year with club funds. Club plants are grown for two years in the members' gardens. The third year they are dug after bloom and the increase is donated back to a club auction held in August.

To be eligible for a club plant you must have:

1. Paid club dues for the current and prior year.
2. Done 2 of the following:
 - a. Attended at least two meetings in the year
 - b. Assisted in a club function (sale, tour, banquet, program, etc.)
 - c. Donated plants to a sale
 - d. Bid in the silent auction

Jan commented that Betty kept excellent records, and the following members are eligible for a club plant this spring if their dues are paid by April: Joy Adams, David Appelquist, Carole Appelquist, Francis Ater, Kay Ater, Kenneth Capps, Betty Capps, Clay Dawson, Kathleen Dawson, Kim Edge, Jean Hecht, Donna Helgens, Kenneth Hill, Kay Hill, Gerald Hobbs, Elnora Hobbs, Brenda Knipper, Roger Knipper, Marilyn Little, Ken Messer, Susie Messer, Susan Minger, Lynn Moffit, Sherry Moffit, Suzanne Moffit, Robert Moffit, Bob Moore, Cathy Moore, Verne Moore, Mary Moore, Sharon Murken, Rachel Murken, Richard Nelson, Diane Nelson, Jan Null, Bob Null, Barbara Papenhausen, Bob Papenhausen, Bev Seamans, James Seamans, Sylvia Seymour, Barry Stoll, Lynn Stoll, Jackie Westhoff, and Deb Wharton.

In addition, Jill Gardner and Bruce and Becky Whitaker will be eligible if they

attend two meetings in 2004 by the day of the plant give-away.

The fact that 50 members are eligible for club plants this year generated discussion regarding our current system and if we should continue on as in the past. A member had suggested to Jan that in lieu of receiving club plants, the club could pay the registration fee to the National Convention in St. Louis this summer for any members wishing to attend. Members not wishing to go to St. Louis could receive an equal value of plants or an equal sum of money to invest in plants. The question was raised whether club funds were sufficient. Bob Moore commented that the auctions and club plants are fun and good money making projects. Jackie Westhoff suggested that a dollar amount could be established and club members could either use that to bid at the spring auction or put toward their registration fee to the National Convention. Suzanne suggested a \$50 "gift certificate" per member to use toward plants, registrations, etc. Cathy Moore brought up a comment made in Ft. Madison about chartering a bus to St. Louis and asked if that was still a possibility. This topic was tabled until the February meeting.

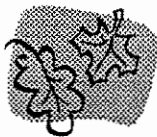
Jan asked for a decision on whether or not the club wanted to purchase club plants again this year. Dave Appelquest moved we buy club plants. Jackie Westhoff seconded. Motion carried. There was discussion about the generosity of past hybridizers and the condition of the plants we received. Kenneth noted that plants from the south are scaped out when dug so we don't get much bloom the first year. Sylvia stated Jean, Barry, and Lynn all recommended we order from Tim Bell again. Jackie suggested Marietta Gardens.

Kenneth put in a good word for Woodside Gardens quality and quantity.

Bob Moore moved we allow the Club Plant Committee to make the choice of what to order and from whom. Suzanne Moffit seconded. Motion carried. Jan suggested any member can make suggestions to the committee if they wish. Plants will be delivered to Sylvia's house. They will be distributed at the home of Kenneth and Betty Capps in mid-May to coincide with peak bloom of Kenneth's gorgeous iris beds. Time of day for the distribution was discussed but not decided. Food will be supplied by the club.

Suzanne and Jan read their eulogies to Betty to close the meeting.

Upcoming Events:



Nursery School at the Mark in Moline on February 28th from 8:30-4:00. Contact Sylvia for details.

CVIDS February Meeting - Saturday, February 14th at **10:00 a.m.** at Ridgeview Presbyterian Church in Davenport. From I-80 take the Northwest Blvd. and Hwy 130 exit. Turn right (South) and go past the Iowa Machine Shed Restaurant to the first stoplight. Turn left. The church is on the left hand side of the street right after you make the turn. The phone number at the church is 563-391-4570.

CVIDS March meeting - Saturday, March 13, at 1:00 p.m. at the Washington Public Library, 120 E. Main St., Washington, Iowa. Marj Stubbe will be giving a presentation entitled 'Wildflower Extravaganza.'

Chicago Flower Show – The Monticello Garden Club is sponsoring a bus trip on March 16th to the flower show at Navy Pier. Contact Joy Adams for more info.

CIDS – 2004 Pollen Dabbers Gathering March 20th at the Marshalltown Community College
There will be a \$25 registration fee at the door.

Itinerary:

- 8:00-9:00: Registration & coffee
Introductions
- 9:00-10:30: Dan Bachman presentation
- 10:30-11:00: How to Do a Power Point Presentation (Deb Browne)
- 11:00-11:30: Best & Worse Parents of Seedlings (Nan Ripley)
- 11:30-12:00: What's New in Your Seedling Bed? Sharing Seedling Slides (Bring slides)
- 12:00-1:00: Lunch on your own
Reserved room at Dibs (excellent food)
- 1:00-2:30: Gus Guzinski "Genetics of Daylilies"
- 2:30-3:30: Panel Discussion
Storing pollen
Sending pollen through the mail
Southern blood – good or bad?
- 3:30-4:00: Your Own Webpage (Don Lovell)
- 4:00-4:30: Fighting Fungus Gnats (Phil Fass)
- 4:30-5:00: Seeds – Bring any excess seeds you have to share. Price them to sell for a fundraiser for "Gathering".

2004 Dues Reminder

- \$6.00 Single membership
- \$8.00 Family membership

*KEN CAPP'S MAY 22 9:30
PLANT DISTRIBUTION LAUNCHER
VANDERVELD PARK MAY 2*