# CEDAR VALLEY DAYLILY AND IRIS CLUB

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# President Clay's Comments

Thanks to one and all for a great January meeting! We got a lot of things under way for the coming year. As in any group, committee leadership tends to gravitate to the "veterans". However, fear not! The Executive Board will be asking others of you to take more active roles in upcoming activities. We expect smiles, and cheery replies of "Certainly! I'd be glad to help!" when you are approached. After all, we learn by doing. (Darned if I don't sound like a teacher.) Be sure to check the refreshment list for the next meeting. It's a bit much to expect the chairperson to call everyone on the list to make sure we have treats (as Carole Appelquist did a wonderful job for the January meeting. Thanks, Carole). Thanks to Bob Moore for the door prizes: beautiful calendars! Well, back to my seed catalogs. See you at the Scott County Library in Eldridge!

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February 2008

# February 9, 2008 1:00 pm Meeting

Club member Zora Ronan will be the featured speaker She will be showing slides of Claude Monet's Garden in Paris France. This will be a treat to travel to France via armchair and beautiful garden pictures. Location:

Scott County Library in Eldridge, Iowa

Directions: From the North:

From Hwy. 61 South, take the Eldridge exit West on LeClaire Rd. to N. 6th Ave. (just past the Tru-Value Hardware Store.) Turn right to the Scott County Library (200 N. 6th Ave.) From the West, South or East: Take Hwy. 61 North to the LeClaire Rd.exit West. Follow directions Same as above.

# February Meeting Treats

Chair: Carstensen's

Members Contributing

Carol Anderson Shari Baldanado Kathy Dawson Bob Null Carol Erling Kathy Kephart Susan Minger Mary Moore Rhonda Peters James Seamans Leann Tjarks Jackie Westhoff Robert Towler John Wright Valerie Volquardsen

# Meeting Minutes of CVIDS January 12, 2008

**Meeting Called to Order** with the Roll call of "What is your favorite companion plant" was answered by 37 members.

**Program: Elvin Mackerman**, owner of Peony Gardens, Center Point, IA, presented information about 3 types of peonies and provided an informative slide presentation of his lovely peony garden.

**Minutes** of the November meeting were approved as printed in the newsletter.

Bob Moore presented the **Treasury Report**. Balance on Hand is \$5,213.35. \$4,900 has been spent on club plants for 2008. Last years expenses were 10,771.13, income of 8,598.

#### **Old Business:**

1) Eureka Catalogs that had been preordered for a club discount were distributed.

2) Newsletter was distributed via email. Some members did have trouble opening, or were unable to receive the pages with the jpeg pictures. It was suggested to 1) individually send via email, 2) have ember open as a file and save, then re-open. Membership email list was sent around for corrections and to identify those who had difficulties. Commendations were expressed to Nancy Carlisle for her efforts on the newsletter.

**3) 2008 Regional Meeting in SD**. Barb Papenhausen stated that there will be a bus leaving from Marshalltown that members can participate in as Region One members of AHS.

#### New Business:

1) CVIDS Website: Jonathan Poulton distributed a flier regarding the benefits of creating a website. Discussion regarding cost, usage by members, items to be included was held. M/S/C Barry Stoll/Keith Riewerts to continue to investigate the feasibility of a website with Jonathon Poulton to spearhead the process.

2) Guidelines for proxy bids: Discussion was held regarding the need to have a proxy designated by absent members for club plant distribution day. Members felt that a person should be able to remain in the name drawn order with a member designated as a proxy. The member would provide a list to the proxy of their preferred order choices. The member would be responsible for contacting the treasurer that a proxy was going to be submitted. M/S/C Bob Moore/Jackie Westhoff for members to have a proxy for club plant distribution, they would contact the treasurer and provide the proxy a list of preferred plant choices. If no proxy has been determined, the absent members name would go to the end of the drawing process and a plant would **NOT** be chosen prior to the auction of remaining available plants.

**3) Kirkwood Gardening Fair 2/2/2008** Volunteers requested: Bob Moore, Bob Papenhausen, Shirley Waters, Nancy Carlisle to help with booth. Flier will need to be

updated. Zora Ronan, Judy Bemer and Sherri Baldanado will be presenters.

#### 4) Farmers Market versus VanderVeer Park Sale:

Discussion held regarding the pro/cons of holding a plant sale at the Davenport Farmers Market versus VanderVeer Park.

VanderVeer: Date earlier in month, often bad weather, change of Friends of Vanderveer sale to Friday night, cost of advertising, most plants were sold to members, with resultant percentage of sale cost increased. Only day lilies can be sold.

Farmers Market: Date can be selected based on weather, Cost 10/25. Two spots available of 10x10. Need insurance for one booth, can sell companion plants and day lilies. M/S/C by Shirley Waters/Barb Papenhausen to investigate further the Farmers Market options with Mike Carstensen to chair the committee.

5) Club Plant Distribution May 24<sup>th</sup>. Kathy Kephart has volunteered her Wilton house as a location site. Volunteers of Keith Riewerts, Kathy Dawson for food committee, Gerald Hobbs and Barb Papenhausen also volunteered for set up and distribution assistance.

6) CVIDS Garden Tour: Discussion held where to go, it was mentioned that the North gardens would be good to visit. Potential Gardens of: Verne and Mary Moore, Roger and Brenda Knipper, Jackie Westhoff, Bob and Jan Null, and Suzanne Minger. Jan Null agreed to serve as chair along with co-chairs of each garden. She will check on dates, garden locations and will report at February meeting.

7) Monticello Sale August 24<sup>th</sup>. There are two separate parts of the day. Silent Auction and the Plant Sale. Jan Null volunteered to continue with the Silent Auction section as she has it set up on her computer. Kay Hill volunteered to check on dates, advertising, and location with the gardens.

8) Fall Banquet: Commendations to Sherry Moffet and crew of the 2007 banquet were given. The food, location and facilities were excellent. Discussion was held regarding location. Marilyn Little agreed to be responsible for reservation chair. Nancy Carlisle will check into banquet facilities in the Iowa City and Cedar Rapids area. November 8 is a home football game date. Dates will need to be obtained with the banquet facilities. Nancy is to report back with potential locations and dates.

**9) Potential Day Lily Show**: Discussion was held on the feasibility of CVIDS sponsoring a Day Lily Scape show. Region One has few exhibition judges. Region Two has more. Does it need to be an official show? Could it be combined with local fairs, ie: West Liberty, Mississippi Valley Fair? The MVF is too late in the season, usually first week of August to have scapes available. Sylvia Seymour agreed to do further investigation and will report back to the club.

**10) M/S/C Dave Applequist/Carol Applequist** to pay \$100 to Bob Moore for printing expenses for upkeep fo the Club Plants notebook. Continued page 3

#### Minutes continued:

#### Announcements:

 Barb Pappenhausen has seeds from her propagations for members to plant in their gardens. See her to get seeds.
Gerald Hobbs stated that there is 100 free brochures available from AHS about "Discovering Daylilies". Nancy Carlisle will send for them with goal to have for the Winter Gardening Fair.

- 3) Aprons for Sales: Sherry Moffet questioned if the club could check into having aprons with CVIDS name for members to wear at Club Plant sales. Mike Carstenson will check into them..
- **4) Door Prizes**: Bob Moore donated calendars that were won by Joyce Parsons and Bev Seamans.

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**Adjournment** at 3:35. M/S/C by Jonathan Poulton/Dave Applequist.

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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### FEBRUARY 9, 2008 CVIDS MEETING

PLACE ELDRIDGE LIBRARY TIME 1 PM CVIDS meeting Speaker: Zora Ronan, master gardener. With "Claude Monet's Gardens of Paris"

#### MARCH 1, 2008 HORTICULTURE IN THE HEARTLAND

PLACE CLINTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE TIME 9:00 AM – 3:10 PM Keynote: Roy Klehm of Song Sparrow Nursery.

#### "POLLEN DOBBER MEETING

PLACE MARSHALLTOWN TIME MARCH 8, Quarterly Meeting, A good event to attend

#### MARCH CVIDS MEETING

PLACE TO BE ANNOUNCED TIME 1PM ON MARCH 15, 2008

#### April CVIDS MEETING April 12, 2008

ELVIN MACKERMAN PEONY OPEN HOUSE

PLACE 95 FRANKLIN STREET TIME MAY 24<sup>TH</sup>-MAY 30<sup>TH</sup>, 2008 **Adjournment** at 3:35. M/S/C by Jonathan Poulton/Dave Applequist.

# Kay Hill's Lemon Shortbread Bars

Cream together: 11b salted butter and 1 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup sugar Add:  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup lemon juice Add: 6 cups flour 1 cup chopped pecans Mix and spread on greased jelly roll pan Bake 350 for 25-30 min until Golden brown. Cool and ice with Icing: Beat till fluffy:8 oz cream cheese and <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup butter Add: 2lb powdered sugar  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup lemon juice. Beat all till fluffy and spread over bars. Cut into desired size. add a few drops of yellow coloring if desired

# Horticulture in the Heartland Saturday, March 1, 2008

#### 9:00-3:10 at Clinton Community College

Keynote speaker: Internationally known plants man :Roy Klehm of Song Sparrow Farm and Nursery of Avalon, WI.

Other Presenters are: Gary Whittenbaugh, Kathryn Newman, Margo Hansen, Cindy Haynes, Jeff Epping, Ann Marie VanDerZanden, Jamie Beyer, Richard Jauron. The speakers will be presenting on topics from water gardens to annual, perennials, peonies, roses, conifers, and dormant gardens.

Call Anne Schmidt 563-244-7050 or 800-637-0559 for more information.

# Website Report from Jonathon Poulton

Greetings from Iowa City! I hope that you are staving off this arctic cold as best as possible. At least the recent snow has covered our lily beds with another 2 inches of insulating snow!

I wanted to update you on our efforts to set up a CVIDS website.

First of all, I was delighted to see that at the Iowa City meeting there was general approval to move to the next phase of website construction, namely, to find out what it might cost the Club and who might be willing to serve as webmaster. Here is the current situation: Website cost:

There are many possibilities available, with costs ranging from about \$4 per month to over \$15 per month, depending on which services the hosting company is providing. My recommendation is that we use the services of Godaddy.com. Through them, we could purchase the use of "CVIDS.org" as a domain name for our website at 6.99 per year. Then, I recommend that we use their Economy Plan, which offers 5 GB space (room for lots of lily photos!) and 250 GB monthly data transfer. This plan charges no setup fees but requires a minimum purchase length of 2 months. As for running costs, they are as follows:

For 12 months, \$3.59/month

For 24 months, \$3.39/month

For 36 months, \$3.39/month

Thus, the cost for one year would be \$50.07 or for two years \$95.34. I think that this would be a very acceptable price to pay, given all the potential benefits of a CVIDS website that were listed on the handout given at the Iowa City meeting. Webmaster: I would be delighted to serve as webmaster, if the Club so approves. During the past 20 days or so, I have been working with my son Christopher on learning HTML and working with Dreamweaver, an HTML editor. It's been a blast! Aged 16, Christopher is a wizard on computers, and we have <almost>put together a draft home page for the proposed CVIDS site. If all goes well, I will bring several pages to the upcoming Eldridge meeting for your consideration. Of course, we will NOT publish anything on the Web, until we have the Club's permission and approval. These pages can be viewed on a laptop that I will bring to the meeting. See you then. Jonathon Poulton

### **Club Plant ordered**

Alaskan Mist 2007 All God's Children 2008 Answering Angles 2006 Arraved in White 2008 Autumn Sojourn 2005 Awesome Bob 2001 Barbie in Pink 2006 Bas Relief 2001 **Beside Still Waters** 2005 Betty Ford 2002 **Bicolor Beautiful** 2006 Blissful Blackberry Pie 2005 2006 **Bluegrass Music** 2006 **Bonnie Holley** Born To Run 2007 2006 **Bridey Greeson** 2004 **Burgundy Crab** 2004 Candied Popcorn Perfection Canteloupe Stampede 2008 **Carved Initials** 2006 **Citrus Sunrise** 2005 **Christmas Greetings** 2005 Cooler By the Lake 2008 Cosmic Sensation 2002 Critical Mass 2002 Cupid's Cupcake 2004 Daddy's Little Girl 2006 **Double Eyed Pleasure** 2006 **Double Medusa** 2005 **Dovle Pierce** 2004 2004 Edged in Ice **Electric Blue** 2003 Electric Marmalade Magic 2002 Enduring Beauty 2006 **Eves Right Jones** 2006 Face Dance 2007 Fame 2006 Feliz navidad 2006 Fire on the Mountain 2005 Flaming Red Pinwheel 2004 Foggy London Town 2003 Forever Redeemed 2004 Gary Colby 2006 Gathering Sunshine 2005 George Washington 2006 2005 Glory in Red Glory To His Name 2006 Handsome Devil 2006 2006 Holy Guacamole Hurricane Bob 2003 Inner Space 2006 Jay Farguhar 2004 **Kings Point** 2004 Lady Wu 2003 Larry Allen Miller 2005

Stamile Bell Stamile Korth Salter Pickles Petit Stamile Bell Kirchhoff Carpenter Salter Smith Corbett Stamile Smith Roberts Carr Korth Petit Salter Salter Korth Salter Watley K. Herrington Smith George Gossard Grace & Smith K Herrington Abajian Kinnebrew Petit Wilkerson Korth Grace & Smith Carpenter Carpenter E. Shooter Salter Carpenter Petit Salter Stamile Carpenter Carpenter E. Shooter Salter B. Schwarz Petit Carpenter Trimmer Kirchhoff Stamile

Larry's Obsession	2006	Petit
Leprechaun Prince	2007	Petit
Linda Beck	2005	Abajian
Malaysian Marketplace	2005	Salter
Mandalay Bay Music	2001	Salter
Matthew Kaskel	2008	Smith
Mike Longo	2006	Kinnebrew
Mississippi Red Bed Beauty	2005	Carpenter
Mississippi Red Dragon	2006	Carpenter
Moments Rich in Blessings	2005	Carpenter
Music Monkey	2008	Korth
Narrow Road	2008	Korth
North Wind Dancer	2001	Schaben
Northern Splendor	2007	Korth
Pathway to Paradise	2006	Salter
Peppermint Pinwheel	2005	Salter
Pink Enchilada	2006	Roberts
Princess Diana	2007	Smith
Princess of Wales	2006	Stamile
Purify My Heart	2007	Korth
Radiation Biohazard	2000	Gossard
Ranger Bob	2005	Reilly
Reagan Kate	2008	Korth
Riders of the Storm	2004	Salter
Ruby Corsage	2007	Stamile
Some Sweet Day	2007	Stamile
Song of the Empire	2006	Carpenter
Spock Ears	2004	Hanson
Star Over Oz	2005	K. Herrington
Susie Tee	2006	Petit
Tangerine Twirl Cupcake	2006	K. Herrington
Tapestry in Time	2005	Salter
The Band Played on	2007	Stamile
The Terminator	2006	Stamile
Timeless Majesty	2006	Carpenter
Torch Song Trilogy	2004	Petit
Tropical Cooler	2005	Salter
Wonder of it All	2004	Carr
Zoot Sims	2003	Bachman

Tim Bell's order has just been confirmed and names of plants will be available shortly. As always this list is subject to last minute changes.

# **Financial Report: Bob Moore**

Statement after January Meeting deposit Checkbook balance: \$5,825.89 Income: Dues: \$104 Eureka Payments: \$558 Total: \$662 Expenses: Speaker Fee: \$50

Hot new Plants for 2008

"Deb Wiley Midwest Living February 2008"

"Totally Tempted" Cuphea. An intense red annual flower with a lavender center was one of the 10 top annuals at trials in 2007 in Illinois and Missouri. It grows in full sun reaching 10-12 inches. Retailers: www.provenwinners.com

"Midnight Rose" Heuchera. It emerges with almost-black leaves that brighten with hot-pink olka dots as the leaves age. It is best in sun or partial shade in moist, drained ground. Hardy to Zone 4. Garden Crossings 616-875-6355; www.gardencrossings.com

"Super Hero" shrub rose. Blazing red petals, that looks like a hybrid tea. Grows 3-5 feet tall. Plant in full sun. Hardy to Zone 4 when mulched in winter. Nature Hills 402-934-8116 www.naturehills.com

# **Elvin Mackerman Peony Garden Tips**

Black spot on peonies is a virus called CLADOSPORIUM. It is caused by a fungus that is airborne or insect carried. It generally shows up right after bloom time. You can identify it by reddish brown streaks on stemmms and purple or brown spots on the upper surface of leaves. To control it: Use 1.5 teaspoons of 50% Captan per gallon of water. As the leaves unfurl in the spring, spray plants every 7-10 days. Use CHLORETHANOL SPRAY after bloom time for duration of summer. Sprav every 10 days. Good sanitation practices of cutting peonies foilage and stems to the ground and burning them in the fall is the best way to avoid most problems. The other major problem occurs in a prolonged cold, wet spring. This is called BOYTRIS BLIGHT. It is also an airborne and insect carried spore. This is a type of fungus. As the peony shoots start to come up, the shoots will turn grey, then brown and bend over and fall to the ground. Spray emerging shoos with Bordeaux or copper sulfate mix every 10 day intervals for at least 2-3 times or as long as the cold wet spring prevails. These are the only diseases that might be encountered with peonies. Tree peonies are even more resistant to these problems. Peonies normally will live well past the lives of the owners. They would give Iris and Daylily fanciers bloom in the gap of the season when it is needed most. I hope this helps you. I enjoyed the members that I met during the presentation.. I will be looking forward to seeing you in May. My open house will be MAY 24<sup>th</sup> through the 30<sup>th</sup>.

> 2008 Silent Auction Club Plants:

Antique Wizard Aunt Wimp Bell Sera Benjamin Borders on Beauty Cast Your Net David L. Hansen Final Destination

# Being Grown BY:

Kenneth Hill Nathan Kirkman Vern Moore Rachel Murken Suzanne Moffit Sherry Moffit Betty Capps Ken Capps

Flight Into Egypt Francois Verhaert Grits Ain't Groceries Groovy Guy Holloywood Ending Intelligent Design John Peat Journey to Ixland Life's indulgence Lipstick on my Collar Loaves and Fishes Lovely Diane Mort Morss Muscle and Blood Nature's Crown **Oceans Eleven** Open Door Paco Paco Peppermint Delight **Ruffled Masterwork** Shanhai Parasol Shoo Fly Pie Silver Highlights Splash of Joy Susan Pritchard Unlock the Stars What Dreams May Become Woman at the Well Work with Me Anne

Mary Moore Sylvia Seymour Nancy Carlisle Marilyn Little Steve Parsons Jackie Westhoff Bob Papenhausen Lynn Moffit **Bev Seamans** Sharon Murken Lynne Kirkman Robert Moffit Gerald hobbs Jan Null Jim Seamans Roger Knipper Jill Gardner Kathy Kephart **Dave Applequist** Barb Papenhausen Cathy Moore Glenn Seymour Joyce Parsons Kay Hill Clay Dawson Kathy Dawson Bob Moore Mary Moore Bob Null

# Membership info requested

I am trying to put together information about our members to help with programs, newsletter fillers and I am just truly curious about you. Are you a Master Gardener? Have you submitted plants for naming to AHS? Have you won any coveted awards from AHS or the Iris Society? Or Region One? Are you a member of AHS, or the Iris Society? Are you a judge? I will have a info sheet at the next meeting.

(Nosey) Nancy Carlisle, secretary

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