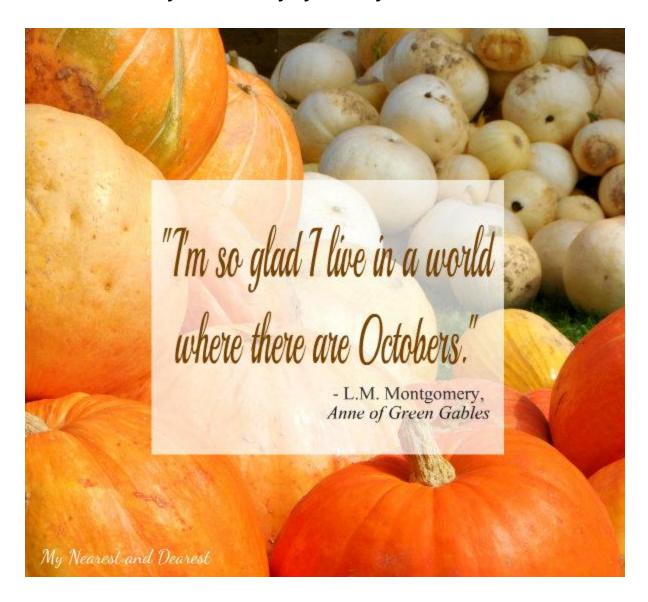
Cedar Valley Iris and Daylily Society Newsletter October 2016



Next Meeting: October 8 at Marr Park Washington County Conservation Education Center, 2943 Highway 92, Ainsworth. Six or more CVIDS members who have been hybridizing daylilies this past year are the featured speakers. Jonathan Poulton has gotten a wonderful slate of presentations together. A Powerpoint presentation will be given of their creation's beauties. Even if you don't want to get the hybridizing "BUG", I know you will enjoy seeing what has happened in their gardens. As usual, potluck at 12 noon, speakers at 1:00, and meeting after the presentations.

Recap of August 20th Big CVIDS DAY: Thanks to all who contributed to a very successful day. Incredible when you think that we actually had 7 different events going on

during that day: (1) public plant sale, (2) return of club plants, (3) silent auction awarded bids to members, (4) live auction of club plants not sold, (5) iris awards and auction, (6) swap and seek members exchanging plants, and (7) meeting and potluck. A big kudo goes to Heather Harroun, Sara Hankemeier, and Diane Derganz for the super organizational system they have for returning plants, assignment of the silent auction bid winners, and what plants are left for live auction. A great working team. Diane has agreed to be the chair of the Silent Auction for next year. We recruited new members Lori Winkle, Trasee Killerby, and Darcy Stoll. First time attending a CVIDS event were: Sam and Mary McCord, and Darrin and Shelly Lett. Publicity truly works! I asked many persons attending how they heard of the event, and they said: "I saw it in the paper". One couple drove from Wilton after seeing the ad in the Advocate News. They bought over \$50 worth of plants.

Election Time:

It is really down to the wire for candidates for officers in CVIDS. Please volunteer your time for CVIDS leadership positions. Contact Jonathan or Nancy Carlisle. I am confident that there will be far better choices than the one we have to make for our country. Think of the benefits that you get from volunteering: a tax deduction on mileage, super potlucks to attend, and a whole slew of friends who think you are great.

Banquet Time: Put these two dates on your calendar: **November 7,** deadline to send in your reservations, and **November 12, 2016 CVIDS Fall Banquet.** It will be held at the Radisson Hotel and Conference Center, 1220 1st Avenue, Coralville, IA, Exit 242 from I-80.

11 AM: Social Time and Viewing and Voting on Betty Miller Photo Contest Entries

Noon: Luncheon Buffet

12:45: Speaker: **Nikki Schmith**, American Hemerocallis Society President Business Meeting, Elections, Photo Contest Winners after the speaker

The Cedar Valley Iris and Daylily Society provides the meal for the membership. Guests are welcome at a cost of \$25 per person. All reservations are due by **Monday**, **November 7**, to Nancy Rash at nrash2000@gmail.com or 319-591-1419.

Please email or call with any changes to your reservation (even if you need to cancel or that you find out you can attend past the deadline).

Photograph Contest: Entries to be received by November 1, 2016.

Sylvia Seymour and Mary Jo Duffy will co-chair the Betty Miller Photo Contest for 2016. It was voted in August to add two new categories: (1) "Red" daylily category, in honor of Verne Moore. (2) an iris category. Other categories are: (3) Large flowers, (4) Doubles, (5) Unusual forms and spiders, (6) Clumps, (7) Landscapes (photo must include daylilies or irises), (8) Hybridizers' 2016 seedlings, and (9) Novelties (e.g. garden sculptures, birdhouses, animals, etc., but the photo must include daylilies or irises).

Our annual Betty Miller Photo Contest was started in 2006 in honor of Past President and hybridizer Betty Miller. She had a passion for photographing daylilies and mentored several

CVIDS members on how to take good photos. Her photos were featured in "Eureka" and daylily catalogs from 2001-2004. Rules are as follows. Submit entries to Sylvia Seymour at 1722 West 59th Street, Davenport, IA 52806 or to Mary Jo Duffy at 2630 Newport Road NE, Iowa City, IA 52240. No additional fancy modifications (e.g. framing) may be made to the photo, but cropping and centering are allowed. Size to be submitted is a printed 4"x6" photo. Names of flower and category must be on the back. Name of photographer is not to be placed on the photo back or front. There is a maximum of 2 entries per category per person. We are trying something new! If able, please submit separately a digital shared image (jpg) to skseymour@yahoo.com. This will be used at the banquet to project images during the meal, not for the judging. A print must still be submitted for poster viewing and selection.

Meet the Members: October 8 photo shoot deadline.

Keith and Jonathan are working on the 3rd edition of the Meet the Members Photogallery. If you'd like to be included, next Saturday's meeting is the final, final chance to have your photo taken, whether you are a brand new member or a longtime member wishing to improve his/her photographic record. We have 148 members on our current roster. This is such an important tool in getting to know each and every one of us.

Region One News:

AHS Region One has a new website at: www.ahsregion1.org As regards the 2019 Region 1 regional meeting, Nebraska will host it over the July 4th weekend. We will be hosts in the year of 2020. We will need to decide on our location and garden host sites soon for contracts and promotions. Persons to work on the committee are welcome.

Swap and Seek Success:

Jackie, Keith, and Jonathan would like to find out how many people successfully used the Swap & Seek this summer. Were the new rules better than the first set we used last year?

CVIDS Website:

With daylily season over, Jonathan will be updating our CVIDS website (www.cvids.org). If there is anything that you'd like posted, please send it directly to him via e-mail (jonathan-poulton@uiowa.edu) or US mail (729 Alpine Drive, Iowa City, IA 52245). If you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions regarding the website, please contact him. He'd love to hear from you.

Request for Speaker Topics:

We are looking for persons to present topics this next year. I have really appreciated all of the members who have done 15-minute presentations this past 2 years. Shall we continue on, or do you have some additional ideas? Big topic presentations are needed as well.

Biotech Markers:

Members Sam and Mary McCord have a wonderful business in plant markers. They were at the AHS national meeting in Kentucky. Their website is www.mcgbiocomposites.com

New members this year:

Deb Bentley	Kimberly Beukelman	Heidi Butler	Tony Brown
Kathie Eck	Laura Friday	Lois Friday	Deb Duncan-Hayes
Mary Kaufmann	Trasee Killerby	Colleen Kint*	Debra Kriegmeier
Darrin Lett	Shelly Lett	John MacDonald	Mary McCord
Sam McCord	Sandy Miller	Leo Offerman	April Phillips
Frank Rowley	Marcia Rowley	Joanne Schilling	Tim Schilling
Patrice Sligh	Darcy Stoll	Lisa Williams	Lori Winkle

^{*}We have no address for Colleen Kint. If you helped her join, please contact Sue Kramer.

Thanks to all members who helped to ask a new person to join. The special joy of sharing something that you love, like daylilies and irises, is a gift to treasure always. Welcome to all, come and join in the fun of hybridizing this next meeting, and do come to the banquet.

I am thankful that our Vinton and Cedar Rapids members were able to keep safe this past week from the flood. Everyday over the Cedar at the Atalissa I-80 area was enough high water for me. I have never liked crossing bridges. Just ask my family. See you so very soon. Be safe.

Nancy Carlisle President 2015-16