Cedar Valley Iris and Daylily Society

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President Zora Comments:

The Regional Meeting is only three months away. Plans are in the final stages, registrations are coming in, and we hope you are getting excited about hosting the 2012 regional meeting. Each year, a regional meeting is hosted by a club in one of the Region 1 states: Iowa, Minnesota, Nebraska, North and South Dakota, and Manitoba. Region 1 looks to the proceeds from the main auction as its only financial support; that is an important part of our responsibility as an AHS club.

In my opinion, the more important responsibility is to our club. The clubs which host the meetings look at this as an opportunity to share our towns and gardens with other daylily enthusiasts. I hope that every member of our club will look at this as an opportunity for a really fun weekend.

We need lots of help from club members to run this event. But more importantly, this event is for our club members to enjoy. If you register for the event, and we hope all of you will, you should expect to take advantage of every single event that takes place. No one should miss anything that is going on. No one will miss the bus tour (well, those of us with our gardens on tour will) or the opportunity to shop in the boutique or to attend a class or participate in the auctions or enjoy the banquets. If each participating member works just a few hours, it will spread out the workload, and everyone can participate in the festivities.

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There is one Eureka Guide left for sale.

Lynn Stoll, Newsletter Editor

If you have never taken a garden judging class, this is a perfect opportunity to sit in. You don't have to take the test and certify as a judge; audit the class for \$3.00 and hear what the 'experts' are looking for in an awardwinning daylily. If you missed Jonathan Poulton's class several years ago on his search for a blue daylily, you can catch it this year at the Friday seminars. Phil Fass is gathering our regional hybridizers and will give them several opportunities to share their efforts.

And of course we need lots of good, named daylily cultivars for our boutique. Proceeds from everything sold in the boutique, plants and auction items, will come to CVIDS and help defray the regional expenses. Now is a good time to survey our gardens and see what daylilies we can share. Attendees at the regional meeting will be experienced daylily people so the quality of the plants should be quite a bit better than what we offer at the plant sales for the general public.

We would like to use the sales tables for \$5.00, \$10.00, and \$15.00 plants (per Eureka). If you have plants to donate that are of a value between \$15.00 to \$30.00 we will have another table for higher priced daylilies. Anything with a value over \$30.00 should go to the auction. Other years we dig those plants in the spring for the May plant sale. A good way to prevent disturbing our gardens in July is to dig now what we want to share and line it out or heel in the plants in another part of the garden.

The regional committee will continue to update you from now until the event via emails or snail mails. If you have any questions or concerns, please ask Jackie Westhoff or me. We are hopeful that this event will be full of excitement, but no drama.

Zora Ronan

Minutes from March 10 Meeting Donna Denly, Secretary

President Zora Ronan called the meeting to order around 1:05 pm. 53 members were in attendance.

Program:

Sylvia Seymour gave a program on 'Daylilies the Perfect Perennial'. What a wonderful way to start the spring season with a story on daylilies and all they entail. It was a review for some, and much knowledge for others. Thank you, Sylvia.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

** REGULAR CVIDS MEETINGS WILL BE HELD AT 1:00 PM ON THE SECOND SATURDAY OF THE MONTH.

APRIL 14

CVIDS MEETING

1:00 PM, Eldridge Public Library Slideshow: 2011 AHS National Convention, Baton Rouge, LA (Jill Gardner and Suzanne Moffitt); Presentation on Margo Reed

MAY 20 (SUNDAY)

Iris Garden Tour (new event)

May 26

CVIDS PLANT DISTRIBUTION West Liberty Fairgrounds 10 AM (9 AM set-up)

JULY 11-14

AMERICAN HEMEROCALLIS SOCIETY NATIONAL CONVENTION Columbus, OH

JULY 20-22

AMERICAN HEMEROCALLIS SOCIETY REGION ONE MEETING: "DAZZLING DAYLILIES" Cedar Rapids, IA

Guest Speaker: Margo Reed

AUGUST 25

FALL PLANT SALE 9-12, LUNCH 12-1, AUCTION 1-2

Riverside Gardens, Monticello

OCTOBER 13

CVIDS MEETING: HYBRIDIZERS' ROUNDUP Coralville Public Library

NOVEMBER 10: Banquet (location TBA)

April 14, 2012 Agenda

Welcome and roll call Approve minutes of March 10 meeting Treasurer's Report - Debbie Hansen Updates Club plants - Keith Riewerts **Regional Meeting** Overview Featured Speaker - Video Registration - Sylvia Seymour Registration Desk - Nancy Carlisle Boutique - Debbie Hansen Raffles - Keith Riewerts Auctions - Lynn Stoll Tour gardens (food & snacks) - Susan Minger Old Business - Iris Garden Tour May 20 New Business Door Prize

DIRECTIONS TO ELDRIDGE

PUBLIC LIBRARY (200 N. 6th Ave.)

From the North: Hwy. 62 South, take the Eldridge exit. Go west on LeClaire Rd. to N. 6th Ave. (just past the True 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 same directions as above.

MINUTES FROM MARCH 10 MEETING (CONT.)

Business meeting:

Our guest and new member, Ginger Pruess, was introduced. Our minutes were approved as written in the newsletter $(1^{st}/2^{nd}$ Gary Oster & Dave Appelquist) A Treasurer's report was handed out, and updated information will be in the April newsletter.

Updates:

Zora reported on the Winter Gardening Fair held earlier and stated it was well attended, and our table had many visitors.

Keith Riewerts showed more pictures of daylilies that will be available for the May plant distribution. There are many beautiful choices and all are available to view on the website.

Zora mentioned to all to make sure everyone has paid their membership dues for the coming year, as this is one of the criteria for receiving a free club plant.

Robert Towler gave an update on the Quad City Botanical Center, and noted the plants are coming up and looking good. The gardens are labeled and our CVIDS club is recognized. Our CVIDS brochures are on display and we will be adding the Regional Brochure for display.

Regional update: Jackie Westhoff gave an update on the Regional being held July 20-22 in Cedar Rapids. Several members brought items for the boutique and auction for all to see. Lynn Stoll gave a slide show of the daylilies that will be for the auction on Friday evening. If other members want to contribute they need to be in touch with Lynn, so she can get the information for her presentation. Donna re-opened the need for port-a-pots at the display gardens on our summer tour, and it is going to be researched for prices.

Member Handbook: Zora stated the handbook is going to be on hold until the Regional is over and there is more time to finish working on the rough edges. It will then be presented to all members for their comments.

Miscellaneous: The Lawn and Garden show is happening in Des Moines and Pollen Dabbers in Marshalltown later in the month. Meeting was adjourned at 2:50 pm. An embroidered hand towel was awarded as a door prize.

CVIDS extends a special welcome to new members Sara Hankemeier (Miles, IA) and Ginger Pruess (Lowden, IA). Please introduce yourself to them at upcoming meetings.

ATTENDEES AT MARCH 2012 MEETING

Carole Appelquist David Appelquist Barb Black Nancy Carlisle Donna Denly Brett Dobling Monica Dobling Jill Gardner Heather Harroun Loren Hass Myrna Hass Kay Hill Gerald Hobbs Steve Hobbs **Caroline Jones** Douglas Jones Jack Jones Brenda Knipper

Roger Knipper Lynn Kroemer Randy Kroemer Marilyn Little Robert Little Sherry McCarville Barb McCreight Rex McCreight Susan Minger Lyle Moen Robert Moffit Suzanne Moffit Cathy Moore Robert Moore Karmin Mullins Bob Null Jan Null Gary Oster

Barb Papenhausen Bob Papenhausen Joyce Parsons **Steve Parsons Ginger Pruess** Nancy Rash Keith Riewerts Sally Riewerts Zora Ronan Sylvia Seymour **Barry Stoll** Lynn Stoll Diana Strait Ted Strait Robert Towler Shirley Waters Jackie Westhoff