



Cedar Valley Iris & Daylily Society



August 10, 1998

REMINDER: CVIDS ANNUAL FALL PLANT SALE & POTLUCK

Don't forget that our annual plant sale and potluck will be held Saturday, Aug. 22, from 10 AM to 2 PM at Riverside Gardens in Monticello. This is our only fund-raising event. We hope all members will be able to contribute plants, help with digging and labeling, and/or help out at the sale itself. Please label all plants with name, color, and price, at a minimum. Choice items might also include hybridizer, year of introduction, and list price. Please bring your labeled iris, daylilies, and companion plants to the park at 9 AM so we can have everything nicely laid out on the tables by 10 AM. Club plants from the silent auction will be distributed to the winning bidders at lunchtime, after the initial rush (we hope!) is over. There will also be a few club plants available which were not bid on in the auction; these will be priced at the "minimum suggested bid" in the auction, which is approximately half of the average price listed in the current edition of Eureka. We will have our potluck and distribute club auction plants after the initial rush of public sales subsides; in previous years this has happened about 1:30.

All plant contributions are welcome. However, we always sell out of all tall bearded irises and most daylilies in colors other than yellow, so TBs and pink, purple, red, and white daylilies are especially welcome.

Please price your plants; the members working at the sale may not be familiar with the varieties and may not know what they are worth. Iris and daylilies will be sold as bare-root plants and should be clearly marked with name and color. Older named varieties will be priced at \$3-\$5; "unknown yellow daylily" or "red seedling", etc., for \$2-\$3. Newer varieties should be marked with hybridizer and year of introduction, if known, and priced appropriately. Companion plants should be potted, if possible, and labeled.

If possible, try to bring some pictures of the daylilies or other plants you are contributing. People always ask us, "What does this one look like?" It's really helpful to have some pictures so we can *show* them, not *just* tell them. Posters with colored pictures of daylilies and iris would be especially helpful. Just having the color pictures there at a time when most people's gardens are in the late-summer doldrums can generate interest and increased sales. Bringing along blooms is also good for sales -- and for everyone's pleasure.

We hope all our members will be able to help with the sale in some way. If you have plants to contribute but can't bring them to the sale yourself, please contact the Stolls (319-946-3471) to arrange for someone to pick them up. The Stolls and others would also appreciate volunteers to help with digging and labeling of plants anytime the week before the sale (especially on Thursday and Friday, Aug. 20-21). They have a great many plants they would be happy to contribute to the sale; however, the plants need to be dug, divided, and labeled in the days just before the sale so they will be nice and fresh for Saturday, and Lynn and Barry can only do part of this project themselves in a few days.

Don't forget: we need lots of publicity to make the sale a success! In addition to our ads in local area newspapers and shoppers, etc., word-of-mouth advertising is very important. Do your part: tell your friends and neighbors. Let's make this our most successful sale ever!

E-Mail Addresses: Members who have E-mail may wish to share their E-mail addresses with other club members. It would simplify many communication problems if the officers could reach at least some of the members by E-mail. If you prefer not to have your E-mail address printed in the membership list, but are willing to share it with the officers for use in communication about club matters, we will also honor that request.

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SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Aug. 22: CVIDS Annual Plant Sale: Riverside Gardens, Monticello, IA, 10:00-2:00 (set-up for members at 9:00). Be sure to set aside some plants to contribute to our main public fundraising activity, and plan to join us for a pleasant potluck picnic in the gazebo in this beautiful setting!

September: CVIDS Fall Meeting. Bring your calendars to the sale at Monticello so we can pick a date for a September meeting. This is a good time to just "visit", share our successes, and commiserate about our disasters. Lynn will show slides from the Stolls' trip to Florida and the National Convention (including Ted Petit's sinkholes, some rare shots of Bill Munson in his garden, and a sampling of what we'll see from Bob Carr as our speaker next summer.

October/November: CVIDS Fall Banquet. We'll also finalize plans for our fall banquet during the sale in Monticello. If you can't come to Monticello, send your ideas and preferences to one of the officers.

HOMELESS AUCTION PLANTS

We still have a number of fine daylily plants available after our auction. These include ***CHERRY DROP** (P. Stamile; pink, red eye; minimum bid \$24); ***DARKER SHADE** (P. Stamile; purple; \$38); ***MAYBELLE** (Blaney, pink; \$10); ***MERRINESS** (Sikes, pink blend; \$50); ***RASPBERRY SUNSHINE** (J. Carpenter, raspberry rose, \$20); ***SILKEN TOUCH** (P. Stamile, light pink, \$21); ***STILL NIGHT** (P. Stamile, purple, \$20); and ***WOODLAND RUFFLES** (J. Carpenter, pastel polychrome, \$15). Siberian irises still available are Lee's Blue (\$10) and two *Iris Versicolor*, *Between the Lines* and *Cat Mousam*. Additional bids will be accepted up till the day of the Monticello sale; remaining plants will be offered at the sale in Monticello. We will also have a few new club hosta plants to distribute among members at the sale.

OOPS -- NO NEW MEMBERS!

For the first time ever, we have no new new members this year. Since we always lose a few members each year, we've got to do some recruiting if we are to remain a "growing" club. So grab a friend you think would enjoy our activities and bring them along to Monticello or to one of the fall meetings. Then it's up to the rest of us to go out of our way to make them feel welcome!

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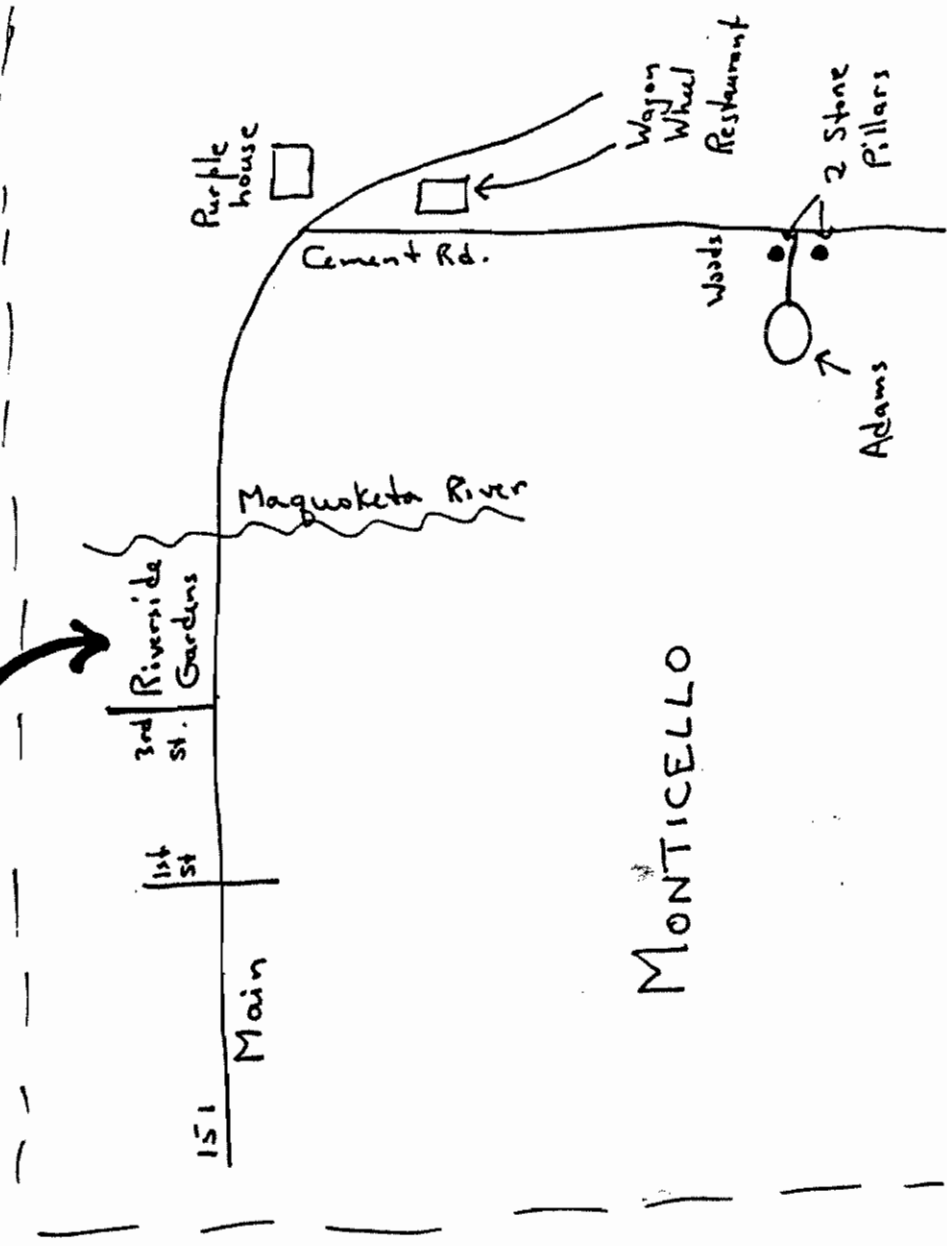
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