

Cedar Valley Iris and Daylily Society

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

A new year is starting and with it the new Board met in December to set a plan for the year. We hope that this year's events will be fun and educational and that there will be something interesting for everyone in the club. Maybe we need a theme this year, something like 'we want some fun in the club'.

This year our club is hosting the regional meeting, the first time since 2003. The regional meeting committee is working hard to make this event a success. But before anything else, we want the meeting to be fun for everyone who attends and for everyone who contributes to its success.

The event calendar is very close to finalized. We hope to introduce more entertainment and less meeting into the monthly gatherings. With that in mind, we hope to have guest speakers each month.

At the request of many members, we are trying to find ways to bring 'iris' back into the club in more than just the name. When you look over the calendar you will see that we plan on having a garden tour of some iris gardens. To keep it fun, we want to keep it a fairly short day (we all have garden chores in May) but to include lunch for those who participate.

Another change to this year's schedule is the suspension of the May plant sale. Our first responsibility as a club this year is to make the regional meeting a success. We know we will have fun. Who doesn't have fun at banquets and garden tours and auctions? Financial success is going to depend heavily on the success of the boutique. The more plants we have to sell, the better our financial position will be. Our members are so generous with their time and talents and plants and we do not feel that it is appropriate to ask members to dig and sell plants 3 times in the same season. Enjoy your gardens in spring and please bring those excess plants to the regional meeting boutique.

The Board will present a budget for the year with the expectation that it will work as a guide for the club. Budgets give members an idea of how the club raises and spends money. Budgets make it easier for folks who give their time and talents to the club to know how much they can spend on their projects. Budgets are estimates and are meant as guides, not as holy documents. Since we have not done one before, we are aware that the budget may

need mid-fun tweaking. At the January meeting, the Board will present the budget shown on page 5 for approval.

Finally, I said at the banquet that I would be asking your opinion a lot this year. Please submit your comments on what you would like from your club. Do you know a speaker who would be interesting? Do you want to get the answers to some horticultural mystery? Do you have an idea for an event? What do you have in mind?

---- Zora Ronan

CALL FOR COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Sometimes it seems amazing how things "just happen" in the club; so many members step up and do what is needed without being asked. But it does make everything easier when someone coordinates the events. We need a few chairpersons for this year's events:

Club Event	Chair
Iris Garden Tour	Chair needed
Club Plant Distribution (May 26)	Keith Riewerts
Club Plant Distribution – hospitality	Chair needed
August Plant Sale (August 25)	Chair needed
Silent Auction (August 25)	Heather Harroun
Banquet (November 10)	Chair needed
Photography Contest (November 10)	Sylvia Seymour

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MINUTES FROM NOV. 12 BANQUET

Deb Hansen, Secretary

The Annual CVIDS Fall Banquet was held at Riverside Casino, Riverside, Iowa. The 60 members in attendance enjoyed a delicious meal at Robert's Buffet.

The business meeting was brought to order by Zora Ronan at 2:42 PM. The minutes from October 8, 2011, were approved as published.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Bob Moore reported a balance of \$16,238.83 at the start of the day.

Election of Officers: Clay Dawson presented the slate of officers as: President, Zora Ronan; Vice President, Nancy Carlisle; Treasurer, Debbie Hansen; Secretary, Donna Denly; Webmaster, Jonathan Poulton; and Newsletter Editor, Lynn Stoll. A motion was approved to accept the forenamed slate of officers (M/S Keith Riewerts and Gary Oster).

Zora Ronan thanked outgoing Bob Moore for his 6 years as Treasurer. Zora also thanked Mike Carstensen for 2 years as President and 2 years as Vice President. She also thanked all members for their participation in all club activities.

UPDATES:

Club Plants: Keith Riewerts distributed a CVIDS Spring Club Plant Order Update that listed the membership's prior request for their favorite daylilies and possible suppliers/hybridizers. He will try to order some of the requests when ordering plants for the club plant distribution on May 26.

2012 Regional: Suzanne Moffit displayed the table decorations currently being made for the regional meeting in July 2012. A picture was shown of the registration table flower decoration that Gary Oster will be making with fresh daylilies.

Website: Jonathan Poulton thanked everyone for their website contributions during the past year and called for a round of applause for photographer Kieth Riewerts for providing excellent photos for the website. Jonathan would be pleased to receive new contributions from club members for the website. He also reported it is time to renew our GoDaddy.com contract for domain name (cvids.org) and server space. The cost is \$113.10 for 2 years or \$158.15 for 3 years. There was discussion whether to renew for 2 or 3 years. A motion was approved to renew the GoDaddy.com contract for 2 years at the cost of \$113.10. A vote was taken by a show of hands and the majority voted for a 2 year renewal. Jonathan has been working on and will continue to work on a club handbook. He requested and received two volunteers, Sylvia Seymour and Lynn Stoll, to help him with the handbook.

2012 Eureka Guides: Zora has a signup sheet to order a Eureka if you have not already done so and would like one.

MINUTES FROM NOV. 12 BANQUET (CONT.)

Other Club News: Zora presented a newspaper article from the Quad-City Times Home-and-Garden section (Sunday, August 14, 2011) about Clay and Kathy Dawson's display garden. Members can access it online in the QC Times archives or on the CVIDS website (consult October 4 on the What's New page). A thank you note was received from Sylvia Seymour's family for the club donation to the local food bank in memory of Sylvia's husband Glenn. Donna Denly reported on Kenneth & Betty Capps' health. Kenny recently fell and is recuperating at their assisted living residence in Ottumwa.

OLD BUSINESS:

2012 Meeting Dates: Zora presented tentative 2012 meeting dates and places. Regular meetings are to be held on the 2nd Saturday of the months of January (Coralville Public Library), February (Marion Public Library), March, April, and October. Other club activity dates will be scheduled individually as appropriate.

Club Plant Eligibility Requirements: Zora provided a handout that allowed direct comparison of the club plant eligibility requirements that were approved in April 2009 (see April 2009 newsletter) and April 2011 with the new requirements proposed by the Board in the October 2011 newsletter. She noted that the April 2011 guidelines required that, to be eligible, members must attend two meetings in calendar year 2011, but, since these rules were instituted mid-year, it might prove impossible for certain members to meet this specific requirement. After some discussion, it was approved that for 2012 the April 2009 requirements, and not the April 2011 requirements, will be in effect for 2012 club plant eligibility (M/S Keith Riewerts and Gary Oster). It was subsequently approved that, to be eligible for club plants in 2013, members must meet the new requirements proposed by the Board in the October 2011 newsletter. In brief, these requirements state that a member must have: (i) paid membership dues for both 2012 and 2013 by April 1 of those years, and (ii) must have contributed to the club's activities during 2012 by undertaking any 2 of 10 listed activities.

NEW BUSINESS:

Sylvia Seymour announced the winners of the annual Betty Miller Photo Contest that took place before the meeting. The Grand Prize Winner was Gerald Hobbs and his 'Kirkwood King' that he is kindly donating to our Regional Meeting in July. (Please see pages 3-4 of this newsletter for the 2011 Contest winners and their award-winning photographs). The meeting was adjourned at 3:57 PM.

2012 DUES ARE DUE

It's time to pay your 2012 Club Dues! Due by April 1st for club plant eligibility. Bring your payment to the January 14 meeting or mail it to Deb Hansen, CVIDS Treasurer, 1363 8th Street, Marion, IA 52302. Dues: \$6 individual, \$8 family.

2011 BETTY MILLER PHOTO CONTEST WINNERS

Single Daylilies:



First Place and Grand Prize: Gerald Hobbs, 'Kirkwood King'



Second Place: Brenda Knipper, 'Ruby Spider'

Double Daylilies:



First Place: Zora Ronan, Topguns Metha Scott'



Second Place: Clay Dawson, 'Root Beer Truffle'

Unusual Forms, Spiders, and Variants:



First Place: Lynn Stoll, 'Eight Miles High'



Second Place: Zora Ronan, 'Shake the Mountain'

Landscapes:



First Place: Gary Oster



Second Place: Brenda Knipper

2011 BETTY MILLER PHOTO CONTEST WINNERS (CONT.)

Landscape/Clumps:



First Place: Clay Dawson, 'Word of Honor'



Second Place: Brenda Knipper, 'Divine Secrets'

Hybridizers' Seedlings:



First Place: Colleen Hansen, Stoll 1006 (Big Snowbird x Beautiful Edgings)



Second Place: Gary Oster, unnamed seedling

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

JANUARY 14

CVIDS MEETING

1:00 PM, Coralville Public Library
AHS Region One Background (Lynn Stoll) and
Introduction to AHS Portal (TBA)

FEBRUARY 11

CVIDS MEETING

1:00 PM, Marion Public Library
Jay McWhirter: Hosta Virus X

FEBRUARY 18

WINTER GARDENING FAIR

8:30 AM-3:25 PM
Kirkwood Community College, Cedar Rapids
Tuition \$49 (includes lunch)
For information: Call 1-800-332-8833 or

WWW.KIRKWOOD.EDU/CE SEARCH: WINTER GARDEN FAIR

MARCH 10

CVIDS MEETING

1:00 PM, Washington Public Library
Daylilies 101

MARCH 16-17

POLLEN DABBERS, MARSHALLTOWN, IA

Marshalltown Community College

APRIL 14

CVIDS MEETING

1:00 PM, location TBA
Slideshow of 2012 club plants and promotion
of Margo Reed (Regional Meeting speaker)

MAY 20 (SUNDAY)

Iris Garden Tour (new event)

MAY 26

CVIDS PLANT DISTRIBUTION

West Liberty Fairgrounds

JULY 11-14, 2011

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' ROUND-UP

Coralville Public Library

NOVEMBER 10: Banquet (location TBA)

DIRECTIONS TO CORALVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY (1401 5TH STREET)

Take I-80 to Exit 242 (1st Ave. Coralville Exit); go south on 1st ave for 2/3 mile. At the traffic lights by the Iowa River Power Co. Restaurant, turn right onto 5th St. Continue for about a mile. The Library is on the right (north) side of the street.

From the South (Hwy. 218): Take Exit 91 (Hwy. 1 Exit). Go north on Hwy. 1 about 100 yards to first traffic lights. Turn left onto Mormon Trek. Continue north, passing Finkbine Golf Course on the right, until you reach the intersection with the Coralville Strip (Hwy 6/2nd St.). Cross the intersection, heading north on 1st Ave., until you reach the traffic lights by the Iowa River Power Company Restaurant. Turn left onto 5th St and continue about a mile. The library is on the right (north) side of the street.

JANUARY 14 MEETING AGENDA

- Welcome and roll call
- Approve minutes of the November 12 meeting as published in the January Newsletter.
- Treasurer's report - Debbie Hanson
- Updates:
 - Club Plants - Keith Riewerts
 - Regional Meeting - Jackie Westhoff
 - Volunteers for Winter Gardening Fair (February 18) and Muscatine Art of Gardening (March 17)
- Old Business - Eureka Guides available
- New Business - This year's theme: 'We want some fun in the club.'
 - 2012 Schedule
 - 2012 Budget (see page 5)

A PAGE FROM THE CVIDS HISTORY BOOK

Some members asked if we had ever hosted a regional meeting in past years. Yes, we have.

1991 CVIDS hosted the Regional Meeting of the American Iris Society (Region 21) in Iowa City. This was a major accomplishment for a brand new club.

1993 The Region One Daylily Regional was held in Cedar Rapids. Pat and Grace Stamile were the guest speakers.

1997 The Region 21 Iris Regional was held in Iowa City. Dr. Joan Cooper was the guest speaker.

1999 CVIDS hosted the Daylily Regional Meeting in Iowa City. The guest speaker was hybridizer Bob Carr.

2000 CVIDS hosted the National Convention of the Society for Siberian Irises.

2003 CVIDS hosted the Daylily Regional in Fort Madison, Iowa. The guest speaker was Ted Petit.

PROPOSED 2012 CVIDS BUDGET

The Board will present this budget at the January meeting for approval.

Beginning Balance	16,000
Expenses	
November Banquet (\$20/person)	2,000
Club Plants	5,000
Daylily Society Membership	35
Donations	500
Eureka Guides (30 guides)	1,200
Hospitality (\$25 x 7 meetings)	200
Miscellaneous	200
Newsletter (Printing for 8 NL)	400
Photo Contest	500
Postage	150
Publicity	250
Regional Meeting Advance	3,500
Speaker Fees	500
Tour Lunch	800
Web Site	200
Total Expenses	<u>15,435</u>
Income	
August Plant Sale (table sales)	1,800
August Silent & Live Auctions	3,200
Club Plant Auction-May	3,000
Eureka Guides (30 guides)	1,200
Membership Dues	600
Regional Meeting Advance	0
Spring Plant Sale (discontinued for 2012)	0
Total Income	<u>9,800</u>
Ending Balance	10,365

MEETINGS IN CHATTANOOGA AND DAYTON

by Barb Papenhausen

Bob and I just returned from Chattanooga, our third year at this location, and it just gets better. Lee [Pickles] and David [Kirchhoff] did a great job of organizing our meetings, restaurants, and hospitality room. We saw so many beautiful programs and seedlings from all over and still had time for a round table discussion on branching and blue daylilies. We had encouraged our Jonathan Poulton to come down for this meeting this year and [were] so glad we did; I think he had a good time because blue is right up his alley. Bob and I are looking forward to a repeat in 2012. This is a meeting that costs only your transportation, lodging and meals, and you will have the time of your life with people of same interest. In the first week of November we also went to the Shirley Farmer Meeting near Dayton, Ohio, for a full day of presentations, mostly from Region 2. It was also fun to see what's new and see old friends and meet new ones. I love this club.