

## Newsletter CVIDS January 2015

Dear Folks,

*“A Friend is someone who reaches for your hand, but touches your heart.”* –Kathleen Grove

*On December 29, 2014 charter member and a person with a huge heart and a wonderful scientific brain passed away. J. Lynn Stoll.*

Lynn Stoll served frequently as the editor of this newsletter. I will dedicate this issue in her memory.

Lynn and I crossed paths in several ways over the years. She was a fellow scientist completing her PhD at the University of Iowa while I was earning my Master Degree. Her area of research was in the biochemistry of lipid metabolism. My career has been in teaching persons about lipids and what foods contain them. We shared discussions during some of the travel times carpooling, serving on the CVIDS board together. We both had music scholarships in our college careers. She sang in prestigious venues, I only visited them.

Nathan Kirkman, my nephew, helped summers in her garden, learning the science of hybridizing from Lynn. I enjoyed the results. I will long treasure her ‘Bing Cherry Binge’ as a gift from Lynn. My daylily garden is filled with plants with food names. (It is a dietitian trick that helps me remember the names.)

My first experience of meeting Lynn came while I was a guest on a Region One Bus Tour. My mother, Sylvia Seymour was the bus captain and had signed her daughters up for the day. Lynn was serving as the Garden Judge Instructor on the same bus. She presented us all with a clipboard, and proceeded to instruct us about forms, foliage and bud count during the ride from Iowa City to Atalissa. This was first thing, early in the morning, on a Saturday!!

She took her Regional duties seriously and soon had the whole flock of persons in her garden listening and watching her demonstrating the virtues of many plants in her lovely Walnut Hill Garden. She wore a big white floppy hat, and she never seemed to mind answering this novice’s questions.

When we hosted the Region One meeting in 2012, Lynn gave a highlight presentation of Region One history that really showed how the national organization was founded in Iowa. I know many of you had similar experiences of learning from a very patient teacher. Thanks, Lynn!!!!

On our website has a tab for past newsletters. Take some time to scroll back in history and read some of the rich articles about Daylilies, Hosta and Siberian Iris that have been shared in our CVIDS newsletters. When an article was published in a national journal, they were always shared to CVIDS members as well. Weren’t we blessed by her knowledge and understanding of plants. Lynn and Barry just had an article published in the British Journal of Hosta and Hemerocallis. Prince Charles just happens to be the Patron for that group.

I hope to see you soon at a meeting or project. The Board is excited for your input on several proposals. Zora is busy working on obtaining the Club Plants that you have earned. Myrna is looking forward to keeping the points that you earn tallied. Sara is learning as she goes, I am delighted to have her serve as secretary. Jonathan has a whole bunch on the next page. Karmin needs speakers. Sign Up! Or give us names and topics to present. Keith and Nancy are working on the banquet already.

Nancy Carlisle  
2015 – 2017 President

Hi Folks,

I'd like to alert you to several new items that were recently posted on the CVIDS website:

1) I have updated the membership list. Look under:

[http://www.cvids.org/revCVIDS%20MEMBERSHIP%20LIST\(1-13-10\).pdf](http://www.cvids.org/revCVIDS%20MEMBERSHIP%20LIST(1-13-10).pdf) Please let me know, if you see any errors or omissions.

2) I have posted a tentative calendar of events for 2015. Look under: <http://www.cvids.org/2015-calendar.html>

3) I am struggling to put together the archives page for 2014 and have several gaps that need to be filled. On the Bulletin Board, you'll find several questions for you concerning these gaps. Look under:

<http://www.cvids.org/board.html> I am particularly interested in receiving photos that were taken at the January, March, and April meetings as well as any taken at the Spring and Fall Sales. Can anyone help me, please?

4) I have completed the webpage showing the top two winners in each category of our recent Betty Miller Photo Contest. <http://www.cvids.org/2014BettyMillerWinners.html>

5) Are you getting the midwinter blahs yet? I am. Working under the lights at the University of Iowa greenhouse is about the only thing that is keeping me sane right now! (Susie may have a different opinion about that!). What other options do we have? How about making a road trip to a midwinter daylily meeting? On the Bulletin Board, you'll find information about three meetings that might interest you. I can vouch for Pollen Dabbers and the Region 10 meetings; they're

always good. I haven't yet attended Region 2 meetings. Look at:

<http://www.cvids.org/board.html>

6) Last but not least, I have posted photos that were presented by the speakers at our October Hybridizers' Roundup. Look at: <http://www.cvids.org/CVIDS-2014%20Archives.html> for links.

That's it for now. Thank you for contributing materials for the website this year. Much appreciated! If you would like the website to include other sections or topics, please let me know. I'd be happy to do what I can.

May 2015 bring you all that you wish for. Jonathan Poulton  
Webmaster

### *Meet the Members Photogallery*

This brochure has become an easy way for club members (and especially newcomers) to put names to faces. Keith Riewerts and I will be publishing the 3rd edition in April. If you would like to be included, please send me a photo as an e-mail attachment. Alternatively, Keith would be pleased to take your photo at the January, February, or March meetings.  
Jonathan Poulton

The next two items published here need to be presented and approved by the membership.

The election proposal is for a Bylaw change. This has been discussed already in October and can be voted upon in January.

The Club Plant eligibility is a Handbook Proposal Change coming from a committee. This must be presented and published for 2 months prior to being able to be voted as a change. This was sent to all members in December. Voting Action cannot be taken on the proposal until February. Discussion can be held in January.

#### **Proposed Amendment to CVIDS Bylaws concerning Election of Officers**

At the present time, our Bylaws do not describe the mechanism by which officers are elected to the Board. To remedy this situation, the Board decided at its October 2014 meeting to propose to the membership for consideration the following amendment to Article IV. This matter will appear on the agenda for the January 2015 meeting.

#### ***Currently in our approved Bylaws:***

#### **ARTICLE IV - ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

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**Section 2. In January, the President will call for 2-3 volunteers to serve as an ad hoc Nominating Committee. Committee members will decide which of them serves as Chair. The Committee is charged with establishing by the end of the October meeting a slate of candidates for the open offices that year. These openings will be publicized mid-year at Society events and via the Newsletter and website.**

**Section 3. Although the Nominating Committee Chair will usually approach potential candidates regarding open positions, any Society member wishing to run is strongly encouraged to contact the Nominating Committee Chair directly.**

**Section 4. After allowing additions to be made from the floor during the October meeting, the Committee Chair will publish the electoral slate of candidates in the Fall Newsletter, via e-mail, and on the website.**

**Section 5. The election will take place at the November business meeting, if necessary by secret ballot when there are multiple candidates for a given office. Any members wishing to vote in the election but unable to attend that meeting may cast their votes by contacting the President beforehand. After taking into consideration any absentee ballots, the President will announce the election results.**

**Section 6. The newly elected officers will take office at the conclusion of the November business meeting.**

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## Eligibility for Plant Distribution – (approved October, 2011)

### ELIGIBILITY FOR CLUB PLANT DISTRIBUTION

A club plant is a reward for being an active member of the club. Each year, CVIDS will use a portion of its funds to buy some choice daylilies that will be distributed in the spring to eligible members to grow in their garden for two years. Members choose their plants in a lottery draw. Members are asked to help evaluate the characteristics and hardiness of their chosen cultivar in this area. It is expected that the member will treat their club plant with kindness yet let the plant experience the same growing conditions that make our Eastern Iowa area an unique one. In August of the second year, members will keep a plant equal to the original size (number of fans) that they received and return all fan increases to CVIDS for its Silent and Live Auctions that month. At that time, the largest double fan will be awarded to the highest bidder, and any additional increases will also be auctioned.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** To be eligible to receive a club plant for the current year, a member must have:

- ▶ paid membership dues for both the current and previous years (paid by April 1 of each year). .
- ▶ contributed to the club's activities during the previous calendar year (January 1 through December 31) by undertaking any two of the following:
  - (1) attended two club meetings (includes garden tour but not the banquet)
  - (2) served as a CVIDS Board member
  - (3) chaired or co-chaired a committee
  - (4) donated plants to a club sale
  - (5) assisted at the CVIDS plant sales or auctions
  - (6) presented a club program
  - (7) hosted a CVIDS garden tour
  - (8) written an article for the newsletter
  - (9) bid in the Silent Auction of returning club plants
  - (10) performed any another activity that contributes to the success of the club.

### SELECTION BY PROXY:

If a member with eligibility to receive a plant is unable to attend the Plant Distribution, he/she may assign a proxy to select a plant for them during the drawing. However, the member must inform the Treasurer of their designated proxy prior to the Plant Distribution. If no proxy is designated, no proxy will be chosen for them.

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  - (1) Attend two club meetings (~~includes garden tour but not the banquet~~) (**excludes plant distribution, garden tours and banquet**)
  - (2) Serve as a CVIDS Board member
  - (3) Chair ~~or co-chaired~~ a committee
  - (4) Donate plants to a club sale
  - (5) Assist at the CVIDS plant sales or auctions
  - (6) Present a club program
  - (7) Host a CVIDS garden tour
  - (8) Write an article **or provide photos** for the **website or** newsletter
  - (9) Bid in the Silent Auction of returning club plants
  - (10) Win a live auction**
  - (11) Perform any another activity that contributes to the success of the club.

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**Saturday, January 17, 2015 CVIDS meeting Agenda** to be held at Coralville Public Library

**12:00 Potluck**

**1:00 Speakers**

Zora Ronan on AHS Medal Winners

Dave Appelquist hybridizer slides

1:45 Break

2:00 Business meeting

Time for reflections for Lynn Stoll, Charter member

Suggestions for honoring her contributions

**New Business:**

Committee signups-clipboards in circulation

Winter Gardening Fairs: Kirkwood, Muscatine, Clinton?

AHS Illustrated Guide to Daylilies Book: Do we wish to purchase for volume discount?

10 books =\$130, additional \$13 each versus individual@ \$20 each

Plant Stake sales: sign up today, order placed in late March

Plant Sale: Indian Creek Nature Center May 2, 2015

Budget approval

By-Law Election of Officers-Approval

25th Anniversary Celebration ideas

Banquet November 14th-Karole Emmerich Speaker

**Old Business:**

Reports:

Secretary

Treasurer

Membership

Webmaster

Banquet

Betty Miller Photo Contest

Club Plant Distribution

Committee report: Qualifications for Club Plants

Newsletter Continuation-editor needed

**Summary and Adjournment**

**Upcoming Dates of Notice:**

**Local Events**

February 14, 2015 CVIDS meeting @Johnson County Extension Office

February 21, 2015 Kirkwood Gardening Fair, Cedar Rapids

March 14, 2015 Art of Gardening Fair, Muscatine

March 21, 2015 CVIDS meeting @location to be announced

**National and Regional Meetings**

February 6-8 2015 Midwinter Silver Symposium Chattanooga, Tennessee

February 13-15 Region 11 Winter Gathering, Independence MO, Bill Waldrop and Melanie Mason

February 20-22 Region 2 Winter Wonderland Symposium, Brookfield, Wisconsin

March 13-14, 2015 Pollen Dabbers, Marshalltown Speakers Tom and Mary Keast

June 10-14, 2015 AHS National Convention in Atlanta, Georgia

July 3-5, 2015 Northern Mecca Annual Tour Dayton, Ohio

July 10-12, 2015 Region 2 Summer Meeting "Bloomin' Safari" Indianapolis-Margo Reed Speaker

July 17-19 Region ONE Summer Meeting "Dancing with Daylilies," at Marshalltown

## Iowa's Largest Gardening Fair Set for February 21

ISU Extension and Outreach's Linn County Master Gardeners will hold their annual

**Winter Gardening Fair** on Saturday, **February 21, 2015**

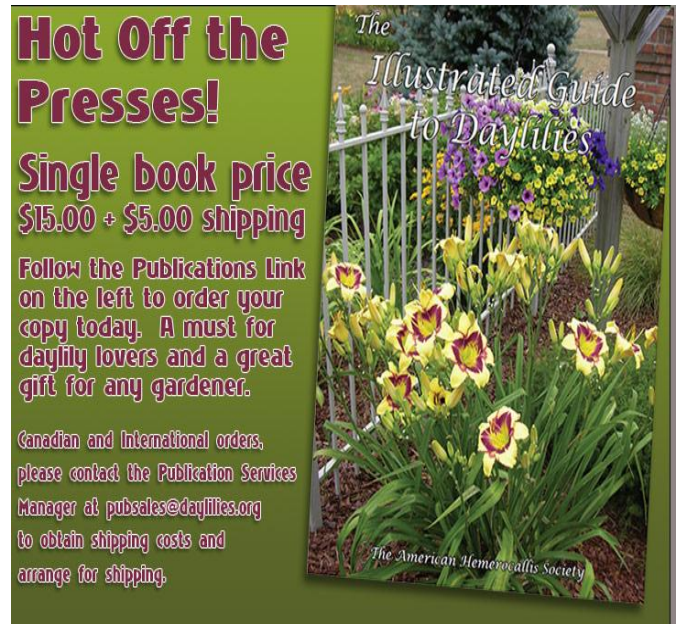
at Kirkwood Community College in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

The Winter Gardening Fair is the **largest event of its kind in Iowa**, a day-long event which will include a choice of 3 keynote presentations and more than 50 different workshops, all designed to inform and entertain the home gardener who wants to learn tips, techniques, and problem-solving for any landscape. There is something for everyone, from beginning gardeners to seasoned veterans. The large variety of topics range from trees and shrubs, sustainable lawn care, bees, square foot and organic vegetable gardening to garden art, photography, food preservation, butterfly gardening and so much more.

Tuition is \$59 for all day and includes a boxed lunch. An additional materials fee applies to the hands-on classes.

View a complete list of classes and register online at [www.extension.iastate.edu/linn/news/winter-gardening-fair-2015](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/linn/news/winter-gardening-fair-2015) .Class sizes are limited. Register early for best selection.

COVIDS has an information booth at this Fair. As a volunteer, you will receive lunch. Can you be our rep this year? Four spots available. Sign up at meeting January 17<sup>th</sup>. You can attend if you register as an attendee.



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