

# Cedar Valley Iris and Daylily Society

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## April 12, 2008 Meeting

Washington Public Library

**Speaker: Sherri Baldonado, Linn County Master Gardener, CVIDS member**

Sherri says iris is so fun to grow! Iris is her favorite flower. Her featured talk will be about types of iris available, tall bearded, Siberian, Japanese, Louisiana, dwarf iris. Did you know that you could have iris blooming from Spring to Fall?

Marty and Sherri have been members of CVIDS for 3 years. She works for Planned Parenthood and part time at the Culvers' nursery. She is a Master Gardener and is featured on the "Hort Line at times.

Washington Free County Library  
120 East Main Street  
Washington, IA 52353

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Pay Your Dues! 2008 Due by April 30<sup>th</sup> for Club plant Eligibility. Send to Bob Moore PO Box 25, Morning Sun, IA 52640. \$6 individual, \$8 family.

## Report on Cleveland Symposium

*Gerald Hobbs, Feature author*

Since I was the only one from our area attending, here is a brief report. I combined this with a visit to my granddaughter, Andrea, and her husband, who live only about 15 miles from the meeting.

The AHS is making several additions to the Website and is considering changing the spelling of "daylily" to "day lily" as it is shown in Webster's dictionary and on the spell check, but I doubt if that will happen. The voucher program is doing very well in getting new members & holding present ones. Ask if you don't know about this program. There will also be more emphasis on the youth program.

The California growers have some really wide, round petaled intros & seedlings with vibrant colors. It seems a lot of buyers are tired of the pastel colors that have been popular so long. Tim Bell from Georgia called his wife at home and said "Honey, people really do live up here in this cold country." He showed some striking patterned bagels that take your breath away. Some of his new intros "Nipporah" and "Love Endures Forever", are lavender, bicolor appliqués, are good ones. "Watercolor Memories" with a purple & violet patterned eye plus several seedlings are good patterned ones in the wings. He has an amazing garden built around a 5-acre pond that one could spend all day viewing his Borders of flowers...

Dan Bachman gave a hilarious dance in his "chicken suit" based on his theme of "Chicken on the Run". He has done some line breeding with COTR producing tall vigorous plants with bud counts of 30+ in uf. His newer plants are named after the cartoon "Far Side" such as "Bobbing for Poodles", a picture of 3 alligators after a poodle in a tub of water. He showed the cartoons and then the daylily named for it. He says, "to induce carbon dioxide into your greenhouse to promote growth" (plant foliage feeds on carbon dioxide). He mixes chicken manure with alfalfa pellets for fertilizer. He also recommends Fusilade 2 for a grass killer-similar to Over the Top.

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March 15, 2008 CVIDS Meeting

Dr. Niles Dusdieker presented a show on native orchids in Wisconsin called "Raves for the Ridges". He challenged us to find the orchid in many pictures. Orchid seeds contain no nutrients. A fungus is needed to break down for nutrients.

The business meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm by President Clay Dawson. Roll call was answered by 35 members. The challenge was a name of a daylily or iris that fits the upcoming holidays. Many members struggled with Easter or St. Patrick Day names.

A thank you card was received from the ISU-Linn County Master Gardeners for being a club booth participant at the Winter Garden Fair.

WEBSITE: Report was read by Clay Dawson from Jonathan Poulton on the website. He feels that it is going well. Question was raised about members' names as listed on several pieces of information, i.e. Silent Auction Bid List. Members felt it was ok to list names as long as no addresses are attached.

FALL BANQUET NOVEMBER 1, 2008: Nancy Carlisle presented 3 places for banquet sites. Cosgrove University, Pleasant Hill Golf Course and A Touch of Class. Pros and Cons were discussed of each. M/S/C Jan Null, Barb Papenhausen to choose A Touch of Class for the banquet site. "We deserve to be waited upon for all of the hard work we do all year long." A \$500 deposit was requested to reserve the site and date.

SPRING PLANT DISTRIBUTION: Clay Dawson reviewed the rules for eligibility. Several members must still pay dues by May 1st to remain eligible. A list of names was read by Clay. (See listed in newsletter)

GARDEN TOUR: July 12th. No additional information at this time.

MONTICELLO FALL SALE: Date change to Saturday, August 30th based on availability by Riverside Gardens.

CLUB APRONS: Kim Schoeberl provided samples of T-shirts, aprons as examples of several places. Most needed a minimum order of 24 aprons as a commitment. Adjustable for height were 0.50 to \$1.00 more per apron. Most embroidery shops used the daylily from the Dakota collectible collection. It looks more like a bulb lily not a current day lily. A shop in the QC would develop a screen that would become the clubs for a cost of \$30. Sylvia Seymour wanted to see the design before making a decision. Nancy Carlisle commented that CVIDS did not need to be put on all 24 aprons, with the idea of selling at Farmers Market, other day lily events or club functions. It was mentioned that with the hosting of Region One 2011 meeting, this design could be used for bags, Tshirts or other convention items. A motion by Susan Minger, Jan Null carried to form a committee of 3 to make a decision selection and bring back to April meeting. Sylvia Seymour, Susan Minger, Barb Papenhausen will be the committee.

DAYLILY SHOW: No information available.

CLEVELAND OHIO SYMPOSIUM: Report was presented by Gerald Hobbs. He was very impressed by the Northeastern hybridizers and the many changes that are coming in rebloom for northern flowers. (See report as printed in the newsletter)

APRIL 11th Meeting: CVIDS Club member, Sherri Baldonado will be the speaker. Her topic is Iris. Meeting is in Washington, Iowa at the library.

DOOR PRIZE: Sylvia Seymour won the CASEY GIFT CARD.

ILLOWA ORCHID SHOW: March 29, 30th at the Putnam Museum, Davenport Iowa. No Admission cost. Clay Dawson mentioned it is well worth attending.

Irish Joke was told by Gerald Hobbs: # Irish spies were caught during the French Revolution. The punishment was to be beheading by guillotine. They were asked what position they would like to be in Face up or Face down. #1 chose face down. The lever was tripped and the blade fell, but stopped halfway. He was released as you can't have Double jeopardy. #2 chose face up. The lever was tripped and the blade again stopped halfway. He too was released. #3 spy chose face up, the lever was ready to be tripped and he says, Hey, Stop! I think I see what has been the problem in stopping the blade.....

Region One Bus Tour is being put together for the North Dakota show. Contact Don Lovell for additional information.

Bob Moore discussed the Pollen Dobbers meeting. Nine CVIDS members were present, Margo Reed and Terry Mann were the speakers. Jonathan Poulton had a good discussion with Terry Mann.

Plant Distribution will be held at Kathy Kephart's. Distribution will start at 11:00 am. A brunch will be available at 10:00 and plants may be seen at that time.

M/S/C Sylvia Seymour, Ken Capps Meeting adjourned at 3: 10 pm

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### APRIL 12, 2008 CVIDS MEETING

PLACE: WASHINGTON FREE LIBRARY

TIME 1:00 PM

Sherri Baldonado speaks on Iris species.

### MAY 17<sup>TH</sup> FARMER'S MARKET SALE

PLACE: DAVENPORT LEVEE

TIME: SET UP

Sale of Daylily, iris plants to the public

### MAY 24<sup>TH</sup> PLANT DISTRIBUTION, MEETING

PLACE: REX AND KATHY KEPHART' S HOUSE

TIME: 10:00 BRUNCH, 11 DISTRIBUTION

Club Plant distribution, brunch, and meeting.

### ELVIN MACKERMAN PEONY OPEN HOUSE

95 FRANKLIN STREET, CENTER POINT, IOWA

MAY 24<sup>TH</sup>-MAY 30<sup>TH</sup>, 2008

### SATURDAY, JULY 12, 2008

TOUR OF NULL'S, MOORE'S, MINGER, AND KNIPPER'S GARDENS.

### AUGUST 30<sup>TH</sup> SILENT AUCTION PLANT DISTRIBUTION AND PLANT SALE AT RIVERSIDE GARDENS IN MONTICELLO, IA

REGIONAL AND NATIONAL EVENTS:

#### AHS NATIONAL MEETING

#### HOUSTON TEXAS-MAY 14-17, 2008

VISIT DAYLILIES.ORG FOR MORE INFORMATION

#### REGION 1 SUMMER MEETING JULY 18-19, 2008

#### DAYLILIES ON THE DAKOTA PRARIE

VISIT [WWW.HURONSD.COM](http://WWW.HURONSD.COM) FOR MORE INFORMATION

Bus Trip Sponsored by Central Iowa Daylily group is available. Contact Don Lovell, Region One VP for more information. 641-479-2190, 3352 275<sup>th</sup> Street, Marshalltown, IA 50158 [DMLovell@aol.com](mailto:DMLovell@aol.com)

DID YOU KNOW? We have had a Plant Sale at Riverside Gardens since August 25<sup>th</sup>, 1990. 18 years!!!!!!

Jamie Gossard is a microbiologist who does a lot of experiments with newer chemicals on daylilies to treat diseases, pathogens, and growth hormones. When killing a bed of old unwanted seedlings, use Round Up (maybe twice), till plants into ground, then spread Snapshot before planting the new seedlings. In established beds you may have to use Snapshot once in late winter and once in early summer to prevent weed germination-water in for good coverage. He says Kephite (sp) is a good fungicide for such as spring rot. Vilazyme (sp) may be better for photosynthesis than Messenger and best used with a fertilizer for a synergistic effect. It is an algae product and may be procured from Vitalearth.com. Messenger Gold is a newer form of Messenger, which he states is better than the old. He says gibrellic acid will increase seed germination speed and vitality.

Ludlow Lambertson is an artist of many endeavors. His daylilies are distinctive for clear blue purple appliques 7" coming down from the "[Blue Hippo](#)" line. He never uses anything with muddy color genetics in his breeding. He has 6,000 seedlings a year working with 6 categories of appliques, blue ufs, spiders, bagels, and teeth. He is looking for turquoise & teeth and tentacles other than yellow.

On the Roundtable Discussion there was a dispute on whether to cut tops of plants way back when getting them in a shipment, but most said to just dip them in a 10% solution of bleach bath for rust & rot or a Sevin dust for thrips & insects. To get a lot of proliferation use BAP 3.5 ml/100 ml water on bracts or on the cut crown. Also the crown can be split in halves or quarters & replanted for increase. To get a good bloom, watering should be done a week to 10 days ahead of desired blooming of the flower.

Margo Reed is gardening in the mountains of Virginia with a lot of deer & has had to resort to fencing to keep them out. She was raising spiders & ufs long before they became fashionable and had some taller than she is. John Kinnebrew Jr. showed the [Spacecoast](#) program of toothy edges on very round flowers & a few Doubles. He is a very good speaker, as were most.

Richard Norriss of Ashwood Gardens is focusing on northern rebloom. First, he told of the daylily as a memorial to Steve. This is a daylily being sold with the proceeds going to the S.E.O. Food bank to feed the hungry in Ohio. So far they have raised enough for 36,000 pounds of food. A clump of the daylily in Richard's garden stands out like a colorful shrub & has a huge lavender pink bouquet of flowers. The clump is absolutely covered with flowers to obscure the foliage. It is a 6" flower with a slight gold edge with bud counts of 40 to 70 on established plants cont. page

and instant rebloom. What a daylily! Richard believes rebloomers have to be developed here in the North, because most of the touted rebloomers from the Deep South don't do it here. He has line bred with his "Belle of Ashwood" and has gotten instant rebloom.

Rebloom is more bloom scapes coming up before the older ones are done. He says not only to count buds, but also the increase the scapes per clump percentage wise, called "clump density", which he is achieving to a high degree. Another thing he looks for is good performance of plant & bloom after transplanting. His "Clarity of Vision" is another good rebloomer. He raises 10,000 to 15,000 new seedlings a year. The Ohio and Indiana hybridizers are really making progress in northern grown daylilies.

Pumpkin Pocket Cookies (makes 16 to 24 cookies)  
2 tablespoons white sugar  
1 1/3 cups firmly packed brown sugar  
1/2 cup unsalted butter, softened - or shortening  
1 large egg  
2 teaspoons vanilla  
1 cup pumpkin puree (I used just regular canned pumpkin)  
2 cups all purpose flour  
1 teaspoon baking powder  
1/4 teaspoon baking soda  
1/8 teaspoon salt  
1 1/4 teaspoon pumpkin pie spice  
1/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon

Optional: 1 cup raisins

I did not use in the cookies I brought.

Icing:

3 cups confectioner's sugar

3 tablespoons cream cheese, softened

1 teaspoon vanilla

Water, as required, to make soft icing consistency or glaze that holds together.

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Stack two cookie sheets together and line top with sheet of parchment

## Davenport Farmers' Market

John O'Donnell Stadium Parking Lot

Western Avenue & River Drive

Davenport, Iowa

May 24th - 8:00 – noon

Set up must be completed between 7:00 and 7:30.

Financial summary of the 3/15/08 meeting:

### INCOME:

Dues:

Kathy Kephart \$6.00

Lynne & Nathan Kirkman \$8.00

Donna Denly \$6.00

Sharon Murken \$6.00

EurekaCatalog:

Donna Denly \$31.00

**TOTAL INCOME \$57.00**

### EXPENSES:

Speaker fee \$50.00

Banquet deposit \$500.00

**TOTAL EXPENSES \$550.00**

Current balance (adjusted for outstanding checks): **\$5264.38**

paper (this keeps the bottoms of cookies getting too dark)

In a mixer bowl, cream both sugars and butter (or shortening) until fluffy. Add egg, vanilla, and pumpkin puree and blend well. Fold in the flour, baking powder, baking soda, salt, pumpkin pie spice, and cinnamon. When almost blended, fold in raisins (if using).

For each cookie, drop large gobs of dough about 2 to 3 inches apart on prepared cookie sheets, Bake 15 to 17 minutes until cookies are firm. Cool well on wire racks before icing.

In a small bowl, whisk together icing ingredients to make a smooth glaze. Smear or drizzle over almost totally cooled cookies and let set.

(This recipe is from "A Passion for Baking" cookbook)  
Submitted by Jayne Carstensen, brought to February 2008 meeting.

## Eligible Members for Club Plant Distribution:

(List Subject to President Clay's Editing, Secretary may have missed a few in the quick listing at the March meeting.) \*indicates 2008 membership still needs to be paid.

### Plant Eligibility

2008

Applequist	Carol
Applequist	Dave
Capps	Betty
Capps	Kenneth
Carlisle	Nancy
Carstensen	Michael
Dawson	Clay
Dawson	Kathy
Erling	Carol
Erling	Don
Gardner	Jill
*Hecht	Jean
Hill	Kay
Hill	Kenneth
Hobbs	Gerald
Kephart	Kathleen
Kirkman	Lynne
Knipper	Brenda
Knipper	Roger
Little	Marilyn
Minger	Suzanne
Moffit	Lynn
Moffit	Sherry
Moffit	Robert
Moffit	Suzanne
Moore	Bob
Moore	Cathy
Moore	Mary
Moore	Verne
Murken	Sharon
Null	Bob
Null	Jan
Papenhausen	Barb
Papenhausen	Bob
Parsons	Joyce
Parsons	Steve
Poulton	Jonathan
Reynolds	Jeanne
Ronan	Zora
Schoeberl	Jerry
Schoeberl	Kim
Seamans	Beverly
Seamans	James
Seamans	James Jr.
*Seymour	Glenn
Seymour	Sylvia
Stoll	Barrett
Stoll	Lynn
Towler	Robert
* Volquardsen	Valerie
Waters	Shirley