

Cedar Valley Iris and Daylily Society

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From the President

Dear friends,

As I'm writing this, January is in its last week and I'm fine with that. It seems like once we get through this month and February, spring is just around the corner.

I've not thought too much about my daylilies other than hoping they all come through this winter. Mainly, I start each day feeding my birds and squirrels and adding fresh water to my heated birdbath which is perched upon my five-foot wooden fence. I'm so glad I bought one of those years ago as just about every neighborhood critter drinks from it. Squirrels love it as well as the birds and my cat and several strays jump up on the fence and have a drink.

I was thinking of some subjects we could talk about at the February meeting along with our main program from Sherry Moffit on photos. One of the first ideas was some history of the Stout Silver Medal award. If any member would like to present some background history and how it's chosen, please contact me. I'm also asking the membership to look through their records and make a list of how many cultivars they have which have won the award. Maybe the most Stouts in the garden could win something special?

We are going to again be asking all members to sign up on a committee if you haven't as yet done so. There's lots of opportunities to help and many only involve one particular event.

Also, I like to stress the importance of attending a meeting in person if you're able. It's especially crucial that we have enough members present for a quorum.

We had some difficulties with Zoom at our last meeting which was unfortunate and I apologize for that. It's hard to have discussions and hear others speaking from their computers at home or in the audience. Hopefully we can do better in the future.

Hope to see you in Iowa City on Feb. 8th.
Diane Derganz

WINTER WEATHER

BAD WEATHER POLICY: We always worry about you traveling in bad weather. No meeting is worth attending if your safety is at risk. Sometimes a storm is localized, in which case the meeting may be held by those who can attend. However, if a major storm is forecast, one big enough that nearby events are canceling in advance, you should consider our meeting canceled. If this happens, the Board will make every effort to notify members via e-mail, our website, and Facebook. If in doubt, don't set out before checking these sources of information. For those not connected to the internet, a club officer will telephone with relevant information. Member calls should be directed to the current president.

Diane Derganz: 563-349-2008.

February 8, 2025 Meeting Johnson County Extension Office

Come excited to greet friends and begin a new year of daylily and iris learning activities. We have set up at 11 AM, social time at 11:30 and a pot luck lunch at noon. Bring your own beverage, plate and table service. 12:30 Program.

Our program will be by Sherry Moffit, Photographing Daylilies-Tips for Amateurs:

You don't have to be a professional to take nice pictures if you follow these easy tips to help you create great photos that will give you confidence to enter in the Betty Miller Photo Contest. Sherry Moffit, Presenter February 2025

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BE YOUR BEST

Nancy Rash, Newsletter Co-Editor (Serious)
Lyle Moen, Newsletter Co-Editor (Fun Stuff)

DUES ARE DUE:

Dues for CVIDS Membership are \$10 per person and are payable now to the CVIDS treasurer, Sherry Moffit. Eligibility for a club plant requires club dues paid each year by April 1. Eligibility for Fall Banquet meal paid by club is dues paid each year by April 1. Please pay at the next club meeting or mail dues to Sherry Moffit, P O Box 273, North English, IA 52316.

Congratulations and Thank You Sherry for taking on the role of CVIDS Treasurer!

CVIDS 2025 CALENDAR: Details on Website

February 8, 2025

March 8, 2025

March 28-29, 2025 Pollen Dabbers

April 12, 2025

May Plant Sale

July Club Tour

American Daylily Society National Meeting, Seattle, WA, July 9-10, 2025.

American Daylily Society, Region One Summer Meeting Fargo, ND, July 18-20, 2025.

August TBD

October 11, 2025

November 8, 2025 Radisson Hotel, Coralville, IA

PLEASE NOTE: Pollen Dabbers March 28th & 29th, 2025

Speakers are Curt Hanson (new talk), and Michael Berrigan, Daffodil Hybridizer

Members received an email January 22, 2025 from Phil Fass, Phil Fass pfass@cfu.net.



Name
Me

(Identification
Will be revealed
at Feb 8 Mtg)

IMPORTANT CVIDS BUSINESS FOR

FEBRUARY 8, 2025:

We need all members to sign up for committee responsibilities. There are opportunities to be the chair and for all to be members of a committee or more than one committee! Sign-up sheets will be on a table. Come prepared to write your name on a list or lists. We need lots of help to keep our club running. Opportunities will be:

Nominating Committee: We need a Vice President immediately. The board has been unsuccessful finding a VP. We need two or three folks to brain storm and find a candidate.

Membership Committee Chair: We need a chairperson to 1. Welcome new members at the meetings, introduce them to the members and help them learn more about CVIDS. Sit with them at the meal/meeting. 2.Head –up the CVIDS Directory update. We would like to have a digital version of the “old” printed membership directory. This would involve determining how we get photos of members and formatting the “book”. Committee members to help as needed.

Photo Contest Chair: Peggy Rash-Daniels, Chair, Need 2 Committee Members

Fall Plant Sale: We need one or two persons to chair. We need committee members to help cashier, bag plants, set up tables with cloths, design a flier, clean up and be “good salesmen” the day of the sale.

Every Member needs to be on a committee. We need chair persons as listed above. IF you have not been a chair person, it’s your turn! Other committees will be announced and you will be recruited to help with additional club events and activities.



2025 CVIDS LEADERSHIP:

LEADERSHIP NEEDS YOU !

Vice President	
Nominating Committee	
May Plant Sale	Nancy Carlisle
Programs	Nancy Carlisle, Barb Papenhausen
Club Plants (Daylily)	Sue Kramer, Colleen Hansen, Barb Papenhausen
Club Plants (Iris)	Diann Pavelka, Jackie Westhoff, Karmin Mullins
Membership & Directory Update	
Hospitality	Nancy Rash
Member Support	Linda Jones
Newsletter	Nancy Rash, Lyle Moen
August Plant Sale	
Banquet	Nancy Rash, Lyle Moen, Sherry & Lynn Moffit
Photo Contest	Peggy Daniels
Photography	Lyle Moen, Keith Riewerts
Silent Auction	Sara Hankemeier, Diane Derganz, Rex & Judy Raub, Dick & Jo Palmer
Special Events	Nancy Carlisle, Jackie Westhoff, Diann Pavelka, Heather Harroun
IT	Jonathan (website) Diann Pavelka (Facebook), Nancy Carlisle & Eli Hansen (Zoom)
Auctioneer & Clerk	Darrin & Shelly Lett

LEADERSHIP NEEDS YOU !

Please volunteer to keep CVIDS active