

# Cedar Valley Iris and Daylily Society

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## FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear friends,

It's May! One of the months we've been waiting for and one that's so busy we don't know what to do next!

We've all experienced up and down weather, frost one night and 75 degrees the next. But it's the growth of all plants that has our full attention. The landscape is green, robins and wrens are back and the fresh air is great.

In our CVIDS world, two big events are coming up – the spring plant sale in Muscatine and our club plant distribution and auction in West Liberty.

I hope everyone can bring some plants to the sale on May 9<sup>th</sup>. It's an important fund raiser for us. It will be held in conjunction with the Muscatine Garden Club and Master Gardeners at the Discovery Park Pavilion #2 from 9 am to 11:30 am. Please have your labeled and priced plants to the pavilion by 8:45 am. They should be tagged with a pink ribbon which signifies our CVIDS group. Pictures of the daylilies help sell the plants and we'd like the price to be in even dollar amounts.

The following Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup> is our Club Plant Distribution and Live auction. It's held in the Floral Hall, West Liberty Fairgrounds, 101 N. Clay St. Set-up is at 8 am; breakfast at 8:30; then the distribution and auction follow at 9 am. All those members who are eligible for a club plant need to attend and if you can't, please designate a member to be your proxy and let Sherry Moffit or myself know.



Diane's Garden  
2018

## FROM THE PRESIDENT (continued)

You've heard me say this many times, I know, but we are going to have several dozen plants that will be auctioned for ALL MEMBERS to bid on. So even if you don't qualify for a club plant, you should come as you'll be able to buy some really nice, newly hybridized daylilies at well below retail prices. The plants are yours to keep and are not required to bring back in two years as the club plants are. Please consider participating in this very special event.

I have one more reminder to members regarding the club plants that you've been growing. Now is the time to keep a good eye on the daylily you'll be bringing back in August. Make a few notes on its hardiness, the flower itself and other important features throughout the growing season. Then you'll be all set to fill out the evaluation form I'll be sending you in late July.

That's it for me today. See you soon, Diane



Pete's Garden 2018

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**Nancy Rash, Newsletter Co-Editor (Serious)**  
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## CVIDS CALENDAR

May 9<sup>th</sup> Spring Plant sale, Muscatine Discovery Park  
May 16<sup>th</sup>, Club Plant Distribution, Floral Hall, Muscatine Co. Fairgrounds, West Liberty

July 10-12, Region One Summer Meeting, Lincoln, NE

Aug. 22<sup>nd</sup>, Monticello Fairgrounds, Youth Development Center

Oct. 10<sup>th</sup>, Hybridizers Roundup TBA

November 14, CVIDS Fall Banquet, Bill and Diana Waldrop, Kenesaw Mountain Daylily Gardens, <https://www.kenesawmountaindaylilygardens.com/index.html>.

## MAY CLUB ACTIVITIES

President Diane Derganz did an excellent job of outlining the club activities for May with times, locations and responsibilities. See attached emails.



Heather & Sandy 2023



## CVIDS FALL BANQUET RAFFLE

Please note if you were a recipient or a donor of a daylily at the CVIDS Fall Banquet Raffle, 2025. You are responsible to follow up on these plants:

Country Diva – Nancy Rash from Heather and Barb Kickapoo Valley Gals – Dick Palmer from Heather and Barb

Carya – Dianne Harms from Sue Kramer

Lavender Lemonade and Diane Pavelka are daylilies from Sue Kramer. If they are for you, please contact Sue Kramer.

Czech Peach Kolaches – Rex Raub from Sue Kramer

For Those left Behind, from Sue Kramer. Please contact Sue Kramer if it is for you.

The plants are to be brought May 16 to the plant distribution.

**THANK YOU**

Thank you to Barb and Colleen and Heather for the great presentation of Club Plants at the March meeting. Thank you to Jackie for the presentation of Iris!

## CVIDS CLUB TOUR 2026

Our club tour will have a new look. Members will be on their own to visit gardens at these times:

Tom and Linda Jones, Heather Harroun: Sunday, July 5, noon – 5PM

Tom and Linda Jones: July 11, 10 AM -5 PM

Heather Harroun: July 11, 1 PM – 5 PM

Tom and Linda Jones and Heather Harroun: July 12, noon -5 PM



Gary judging photos  
2023