

Cedar Valley Iris and Daylily Society

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CVIDS NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2025

Dear Fellow CVIDS members,

This last month has flown by and now the final event of the year, our Fall Banquet, is only days away. Have you put everything away for winter and cleaned up? I haven't. It's been warmer than usual and some of my annuals haven't quite succumbed to the frost. But eventually, all will get done.

I want to thank everyone of you for making this year an interesting one with several new programs along with our familiar events. It's fun to see the new daylilies being hybridized throughout the country and especially those by our own members!

We celebrated our 35th year by having an Iris club plant for the first time.

There were also a few auctions which gave members even more opportunities to try some new cultivars, both daylilies and irises.

Again, thank you! I'm so happy that I joined this club 13 years ago. Not only did I receive some wonderful daylilies while learning so much about this plant, but I've gained the friendship of great people I'd never have met otherwise.

Looking forward to seeing you at the Banquet,

Diane Derganz



2025 CVIDS FALL BANQUET- NOVEMBER 8

November 8, 2025 CVIDS Fall Banquet, Holiday Inn and Kinnick Conference Center (Formerly Radisson Hotel), Coralville, IA. Social hour at 11 AM, Meal at Noon. Speaker: Kirsten Hatfield, Dorsets N Daylilies. If you made a reservation and now cannot attend, please let me know: Nancy Rash, nrash2000@gmail.com.

The Fall Banquet will be held in the same location but the hotel is now the Holiday Inn and Kinnick Conference Center. Our speaker is Kirsten Hatfield. Kirsten Hatfield owns Dorsets N Daylilies along with her husband Jason. They are located in Zanesville Ohio on a 247-acre farm that they own. The farm is home to 600 daylilies, thousands of seedlings, 35 Angus cows, and 75 Dorset ewes and 50 White Dorper ewes. They also grow corn, soybeans, and hay.

Kirsten originally caught the daylily bug in the late 80's while working on Hemknoll Farms in Hope, NJ. She began hybridizing in 2012 and has 65 introductions with focus on double forms.

If you cannot attend the meal do come hear Kirsten speak at 1 PM. The presentation by Kirsten is at 1 PM. We will have a short business meeting with election of officers and Kirsten will have daylilies for a 50/50 auction. Here is the link on the website Bulletin Board to view the daylilies for auction: <https://cvids.org/board.html>.

It's another fun day with friends and learning about the daylilies at Dorsets N Daylilies. Door prizes and raffle items add to the fun and festivities of the day.

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

2025 BETTY MILLER PHOTO CONTEST

Entries for the annual photo contest were due November 1, 2025.

Photo contest categories have been narrowed to 5:

Single Daylily Bloom—any single, double, spider, unusual form— (One flower in the picture)

Clump (more than 1 bloom) Iris or Daylily Iris

Landscape Scene—capturing the beauty of our Daylily/Iris gardens (without people or animals)

Novelty (featuring e.g. garden sculptures, bird-houses, animals, etc.) Photo must include Daylilies or Iris but are not the focus.

Members will judge photos by popular ballot at the November Banquet.

Prizes: First Place, each category \$15.00; Second Place, each category \$10.00. The same amount will be paid for ties. The person submitting the photo must have taken the picture. Photos need not be taken in the submitter's garden.

The photo should be in focus with clear vibrant color. Voters will be reminded that this is a **photography contest**. They will be asked to vote for the best photo, not the prettiest flower or the newest or most popular flower.

NOTE:

**50/50 Auction of
Kirsten Hatfield Daylilies
on November 8**



No credit cards will be accepted.

Cash or check only accepted at the auction.

RAFFLE AND DOOR PRIZES AT THE FALL BANQUET

Raffle Tickets: \$2.50 each or 5 for \$10

Here is a preview of a few of the raffle and door prizes:



Raffle items: Bird Baths



Ceramic Bowl:



Hand Woven Basket



3 Sheperd's
Hooks



18" Walnut
Charcuterie
Board



6.5" Russian Olive
Vase

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The Editor

BUSSINESS MEETING ON NOVEMBER 8

Election of Officers: We must elect officers at the business meeting. Jackie Callahan has agreed to be the next Vice President and Peggy Rash-Daniels has agreed to be nominated for the position of Secretary. A huge thank you to both for stepping up to positions on the board. We will need folks to chair and be on committees in the new year. Please volunteer to do your part of keeping the club active. We appreciate the leadership Diane Derganz has given this year as president. Please thank Diane for being the President without a Vice President! I think it is called: Double Duty!!! Thank you, Diane!

THINKING OF OUR MEMBERS

A message from Diane Derganz: Sara Hankemeier has a long road to recovery after seriously injuring her Achilles tendon a few weeks ago. She's in her third cast and not able to put any weight on her foot. She told me she wasn't doing anything other than hanging a basket on the wall when a screaming pain hit her foot.

She hopes in another two weeks she might be able to get a walking boot but will have to wait and see how it goes. I'm sure she'd enjoy any calls or emails from our members. Her address is 805 Ferry Road, Miles, IA 52064. sarakhankemeier@gmail.com 563-357-5298 cell.

Other members that I know would like a call or message: Gary Oster: Prairie Hills – 219 S Cedar Street., Room 210 Tipton, IA 52772. 563-340-9446.

Steve and Joyce Parsons: 539 8th Avenue, Box 144, Conroy, IA 52220. 319-325-4884.
jsparsons@gmail.com.

Pete Connolly will have back surgery on November 13. Please think of Pete. He can be reached at 105 Riviera Drive, Bellevue, IA 52031; 563-221-2949;
daydreaminpete@yahoo.com.

REVIEW OF THE OCTOBER MEETING:

We had a great program at the October 11 meeting. Thank you to the presenters: Jackie Westhoff, Sue Kramer, Barb Papenhausen, Heather Harroun. Heather gave an interesting and informative presentation about hybridization. This is great information for all members to know how we get the beautiful daylilies that we all love. Members asked very thoughtful questions that will benefit us all. We had a small group and I hope you will all attend the next hybridizer presentation. You were missed.



Presenters:

Jackie

Heather

Barb

Sue

