

# Cedar Valley Iris and Daylily Society

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## MISSION OF CVIDS

“Founded in 1990, CVIDS is a scientific, educational, and social organization whose mission is to promote the genera *Hemerocallis* (daylily) and *Iris*. Its purpose is to educate our members and the general public about all aspects of growing daylilies and irises in eastern Iowa and surrounding regions. To further these goals, this organization provides lectures, garden tours, plant sales, and fellowship among its members and with members of other groups with similar goals.”

## CVIDS Meetings 2024:

**\*\*Feb 10 = CVIDS Club Meeting** at the [Coralville Public Library, Coralville](#) - Doors open at 11:00 AM: Potluck: 12:00 PM; Meeting: 12:30 PM Email and agenda have been sent.

**\*\*March 9 = CVIDS Club Meeting** – at the [Johnson County Extension Office](#)

**\*\*April 13 = CVIDS Club Meeting** – location TBD

**\*\*May 11 = Spring Plant Sale** at the Discovery Park Large Pavilion, 3300 Cedar Street, Muscatine, IA.

**\*\*May 18 = Club Plant Distribution**—[Floral Hall, West Liberty Fairgrounds, West Liberty](#) —Starts 8:30 AM Setup, 9AM Breakfast potluck, 9:30AMish First ball pulled (times subject to change)

**\*\*June 12-15 78th ADS National Convention** in [Oklahoma City, OK](#)—[Daylilies Galore in 2024](#)

## DUES ARE DUE

**CVIDS Dues are \$10 per person  
for a one-year membership.**

Please send your check to: Jackie Westhoff, 6161 32nd Avenue, Shellsburg, IA 52332.

From the By-Laws: “Membership dues are for a calendar year and will fall due on January 1. Dues are considered delinquent after April 1.”

**\*\*July 13 = Garden Tours: TBD**

**\*\*July 19-21 = ADS Region One Summer Meeting** in [Minnetonka, MN](#)

**\*\*August 24 = Club Plant Return, Iris Sale, and Auction** at the [Monticello ISU Extension Expo Center](#). Starts 9-11AM with public plant sale; 11:15AM Potluck, followed by 12PM Auction

**\*\*October 12 = CVIDS Annual Hybridizer’s Roundup** - TBD

**\*\*November 9 = Annual CVIDS Fall Banquet** at the [Radisson Hotel & Conference Center, Coralville](#)

**\*\*Details subject to change and to be updated, as received.**

**Inside This Issue - Old and New Stuff**  
[Shelly Lett, Newsletter Editor](#)  
(Serious and Fun)



**Additional fun  
for your calender:**

Des Moines County Master Gardeners Presents:

# WINTER SEMINAR

SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 2024

"GARDENING IN A WARMER WORLD"  
featuring Keynote Speaker via Zoom  
David McKinney, Curator at the Iowa  
Arboretum & Gardens



**Saturday, March 2, 2024**

**9:00 AM - 3:00 PM**

<https://www.extension.iastate.edu/mastergardener/des-moines-county-winter-seminar-burlington>

## **Des Moines county Master Gardener Winter Seminar**

Southeastern Community College, 1500 West Agency Road, West Burlington, IA 52655

Keynote speaker, David McKinney curator of the Iowa Arboretum and Gardens. Three 1-hour-long breakout sessions throughout the day with a choice of over 15 guest presenters. Lunch is included. On-line registration starts January 8, 2024, through Des Moines County extension office.



**Saturday, March 16, 2024**

**9:00 AM - 3:00 PM**

<https://eicc.edu/services-support/location/mcc/art-gardening.aspx>

## **Art of Gardening**

Muscatine Community College  
152 Colorado Street  
Muscatine

Anne Ventullo is the keynote speaker at lunch. Anne will share her thoughts on "Wellness in the Garden and Beyond". Being healthy, yoga, meditation and digging in the dirt are all hot topics and Anne will share her thoughts on how we can enjoy a less stressful life. Join in a full day of fascinating topics for the Art of Gardening Conference. Enjoy hands-on workshops including air plants, tree grafting, mini-ponics and seed starting. The workshops throughout the day will include an overview of the Muscatine Art Center's renovated Japanese Garden, presentation of the Stanley Center for Peace's Green Building, Rain Gardens, Small Space and Big Appetite Growing, and Weaving Plant Collections into Your Garden. Look for online registration information in mid January of 2024!!

## **Additional Information cont.:**

**Friday & Saturday, March 22-23**

**Pollen Dabbers 2024**

**Marshalltown Community College**

**Rooms 612 & 614**

**3700 S Center St**

**Marshalltown, IA 50158**

## **The woods have eyes at the Kramer's**

These are photos of some of our gardens after the snowstorm. Looked like giant marshmallows had landed.

The tree is one of our 150 - 200 year old white oaks that went down in the derecho. I wouldn't let Dave dispose of it. I want a Hobbit door to go with it. Anybody know someone that could make a hobbit door?

Sue Kramer



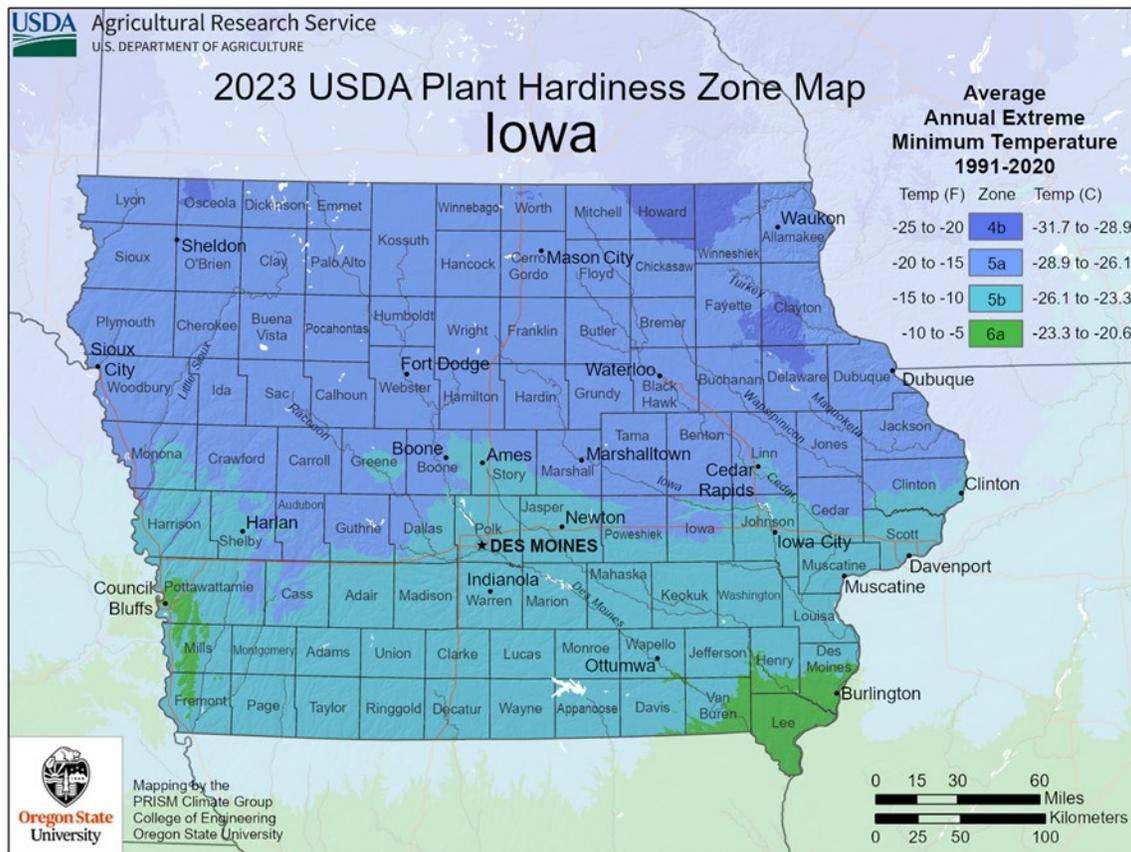
## **Congratulations!**

Gretchen Little has completed the Fall Muscatine Master Gardener course work. She says: "I have been involved with gardening all of my life thanks to my mother and her mother. After mom passed this past March I wanted to fill in the gaps of the gardening knowledge she gave me and also look for ways to help pass it on to others as I have no family of my own.



Submitted by Nancy Carlisle

The USDA hardiness zone map, which is the cold tolerance guidelines for plants, was updated in 2023. The Zones have shifted warmer. Tom and Linda Jones are much warmer than Pete and Pat Connelly and Buzz and Shelly Lett are colder than Nancy Carlisle even in the same county of Cedar.



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