

# Cedar Valley Iris and Daylily Society

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## From the President

Dear CVIDS members,

What a change in the weather! Last week we were having the lowest temps of the year with 8 inches of snow on the ground and this week, we're basking in 40 to 50 degrees! That's Iowa for you.

Just a couple of items I wanted to mention before our upcoming meeting on March 8<sup>th</sup> in Coralville.

First, I am encouraging everyone to try to attend the meeting in person. There are benefits to using the zoom feature but also some disadvantages as you well know. Hopefully the weather will be fine and we'll be able to see you there.

Heather is going to be presenting a program at the Art of Gardening at Muscatine Community College the week after our March 8<sup>th</sup> meeting. She has a vendor table for CVIDS and is asking for donations for the gift basket raffle such as a daylily book or other gardening items. You can bring these to the March meeting and give them to Heather. Also, if anyone is interested in helping man the table, just let Heather know.

This meeting will be the last time those members still owing dues would be able to pay them in person before the April 1<sup>st</sup> deadline. If you get your dues in by that day, you would still be eligible for a club plant as well as the November banquet meal. You can also mail your \$10 check to our treasurer, Sherry Moffit, Box 273, North English, IA 52316.

Don't forget about our Stout Medal winner contest. Be sure you know how many Stouts you have in your garden. The entire list was emailed to you the week before our Feb. 8<sup>th</sup> meeting which was cancelled.

Watch your email for the March 8<sup>th</sup> agenda and other information about what we'll be doing at that meeting.

Thanks, and hope to see you soon,

Diane

## 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.

## March 8 Programs you won't want to miss at 12:30 PM:

### Coralville Public Library

Stout Medal, Iris Types, Awards and Dealing with Iris Pests. Iris Club Plant discussion at meeting.

## APRIL 12: 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.

Be sure to come hear the program by Sherry on April 12 at Wilton.

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**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

March 8, 2025, Coralville Public Library

March 28-29, 2025 Pollen Dabbers

April 12, 2025, Wilton Community Room, Wilton  
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, Monticello

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](mailto:pfass@cfu.net).



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Member Nancy Carlisle has provided the following iris information for the newsletter and research information about the founding of CVIDS. CVIDS has reached its 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

“I found an educational column on plant vocabulary, “Learning about Iris, 5 words at a time.” written by irisarian, Gary White, Nebraska in the Spring 2024, Volume 105, No. 2, Irises, The Bulletin of the American Iris Society. Easy to understand and it made me think our members would enjoy comparing the iris terms with daylily terms. Similar, but with some changes in the number of stamens, differences in style descriptions to name a few. The vocabulary table follows as an attachment.”

**National Siberian Iris Convention Opportunity.** This convention is being held May 23, 24th, 2025 in Ames. This is a superb opportunity to hear how Siberian iris are judged in a garden, and listen to presentations by premier hybridizers, the husband wife team of Marty Schafer and Jan Sacks. Marty and Jan have won 11 Morgan-Wood medals. The Morgan-Wood Medal is the highest award given by the American Iris restricted to Siberian Iris. We have been very fortunate to have our iris team purchase many of the Schafer-Sacks Siberians in our iris sales. Registration forms can be found at: <https://siberianirises.org/ssiconv.htm>. More information at: <https://aisregion21.org/>.

When I went to the Siberian Iris Society website (<https://www.siberianirises.org>) to check out information, I got a pleasant surprise. One of our charter members, Barry Stoll is in the featured website photo. One of the original purposes of the group of gardeners that came together in March 1990 to form the CVIDS group was to host the 1991 Spring Region 21 Iris convention. Barry and Lynn Stoll had an outstanding collection of Siberian Iris at their Walnut Hill Garden in rural Atalissa. Iowa is part of Region 21 in the American Iris Society.

### **Happy 35th Anniversary CVIDS!**

A grand group of 13 gardening aficionados met together for the first formal meeting of CVIDS to promote interest in daylilies, iris and gardening tips. Agreeing to meet approximately monthly from March through November. The first planned event was touring 300 median irises' at Hadrava's garden in Cedar Rapids on May 12th and then a picnic at Barry and Lynne Stoll's on May 24th to view the 750 later blooming iris and plantings for the 1991 Region 21 convention.

It is nice to see that we still have some of the same events; plant sales in Monticello, speakers at banquets, potlucks, garden tours and hosting regional meetings or iris and daylily societies.

### **President Jerry Hadrava welcomed members with the following poem in the inaugural CIVDS newsletter:**

*May all the coolness of winter pass into the warmness of spring*

*May the earth come forth radiant and new*

*Bringing forth as a mother her infants to be loved, shown for all to see.*

*May they grow, bringing joy into the hearts and minds of all.*

*Though the labors of the season are many, may the joy become blessings.*

*Dull the aches and pains and overcome the disappointments we bear at the loss of a beloved plant, no matter how small, or the loss of bloom, to the frost in the fall.*

*May we see the Creator's plan in all that transpires*

*Good and bad, for the purpose is His in ways we do not understand*

*God is as the wind, we do not see, yet as the movement of trees, we sense the presence of*

*That which is.*

*May we search out the love and joy of this all*

*Gathering together, sharing that which we hold to our hearts.*

May we continue on with our founders' visions for the next 35 and more.

Nancy Carlisle

## IRIS VS DAYLILY TERMS

Term	Iris	Daylily
Standards	3 Upright segments of the flower	Top three tepals of a daylily flower
Falls	3 downward arching flower segments. On bearded iris, each fall has a fuzzy tuft called a beard at the base extending partway down the length. This is the first part of the flower unfolding.	Sepal. The bottom segments of a daylily flower (the first whorl).
Stamen	Male reproductive element consisting of a filament with the anther at its end. 3 in iris	Each stamen is comprised of two parts, a stalk (filament), and a two-lobed pollen sac called the anther. 6 present
Anther	Pollen bearing structure of the stamen.	A two-lobed sac filled with dust-like yellow pollen. The pollen is haploid and contains the sperm cells.
Styles	The 3 petal like structure rising from the center of the flower, connected to the ovary and bearing the stigmas	The central portion of the pistil between the seed-bearing ovary and the pollen-receiving stigma (1 per flower)
Ovary	The ovule bearing structure at the base of the flower below the fall attachment. The ovary is 3 chambered containing ovules when fertilized develop into seeds. The entire mature structure is then a seed pod.	The central reproductive organ around which the other flower parts are arranged. Located at the base of the pistil; where the egg cells are formed and where the seeds develop. A long style extends from this and is swollen and flared at the tip to form the stigma, which receives the pollen
Perianth	Collective term for standards and falls.	A daylily flower has six perianth segments arranged in two rows. The three inner ones are the petals, and the three outer ones are the sepals.