



Cedar Valley Iris & Daylily Society



JUNE, 1998

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Jean Hecht

Hello Daylily Buds!

Someone on the daylily E-mail robin dreamed that one up. I think it's clever. It certainly has been a wonderful spring here. I don't even remember when the last frost was, but it was certainly much earlier than usual. All of the daylilies are up and growing, most are looking great.

The first annual CVIDS spring plant sale was a success. Not a huge success, but a success none the less. We made about \$450.00 before expenses, not too bad for a first effort. I'm still not sure Morrison Park is the best location, but I can't think of any place better. Ideas and/or suggestions are most welcome.

It appears we'll be meeting up with the folks from the Central Iowa Daylily Society on July 11 to tour gardens and enjoy each other's company. They're actually bringing a bus down. I'm not sure yet what the itinerary will look like. Or where that all important lunch break will be.

On a personal note, I have managed to survive our youngest's sons high school graduation. I didn't realize how tired I was until it was over. I could hardly move yesterday. Now if I could just convince this kid he really does need a summer job....

Please remember to let Lynn Stoll know how many fans/plants you'll have on your plants for the auction. Thanks.

Jean Hecht

JOIN US: CVIDS SUMMER TOUR JULY 11

This year's CVIDS summer tour will be held in the Iowa City area on July 11. We will join the Central Iowa Daylily Society (CIDS) from Marshalltown for a day of touring gardens, lunch, and fun and fellowship with other daylily lovers. CIDS has chartered a bus for the day. The bus will leave Marshalltown at 8:00 AM and will stop at the Clarion at approximately 9:30 AM to pick up CVIDS members. The group will go first to Lynn and Barry Stoll's garden, and then return to Iowa City for lunch at the Clarion (on your own). After lunch we will enjoy visiting the gardens of Fred McDowell and Jean Hecht.

Lynn Stoll will give a judges' training workshop in her garden for anyone who is interested. (Lynn is one of only three AHS-accredited judges' trainers in the Region One.) Even if you don't want to become a judge, this workshop will help you learn what to look for in selecting daylilies for your own garden. However, Region One currently has openings for 14 more garden judges. *We desperately need more garden judges from Northern regions*, in order to encourage hybridizers to develop cultivars which will perform well in this part of the country -- and to reward those hybridizers who succeed in this objective. This is the last year when new judges need to attend only a single accredited workshop to qualify as a garden judge. Starting in 1999, all new judges must attend two such workshops to become a certified garden judge. So, if you've been an AHS member for 3 years (or will have been, by the time you start judging next summer), please consider attending this workshop, becoming a garden judge, and helping give Northern daylily growers a stronger voice in AHS! *(continued on p. 2)*

SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS

June 20: Russ O'Harra Hosta Society Summer Garden Tour, Marshalltown, IA. 10:00-4:00; catered lunch. Contact Kris Jurik (515-232-0027) for more information

June 25-27: National Hosta Society convention, Peoria, IL. \$185; send check to Nelson and Ruth Chatham, P. O. Box 3241, Peoria, IL 61612. Phone 309-691-0767.

July 11: CVIDS Club Daylily Tour. Joint outing with daylily lovers from the Central Iowa Daylily Society. There will be no formal banquet; however, members may wish to plan to have dinner together.

July 10-12: Midwest Regional Hosta Society Convention, Omaha, NE. \$75 before June 10 to Tim Hammelman, 3506 Oak Ridge Rd., Omaha, NE 68112-1214.

July 17-19: AHS Region 1 Convention, Wayne, NE. An opportunity to tour some terrific gardens and enjoy fellowship with other daylily lovers. You don't have to be an AHS member to attend; all daylily lovers are welcome. Headquarters: Super 8, 610 Tomar Dr., Wayne, NE 68787 (402-375-4898). Registration: \$55 before June 10, \$65 after June 10. Send registration to Doug Moritz, 608 S. Ash., West Point, NE 68788.

Aug. 22: CVIDS Annual Plant Sale: Riverside Gardens, Monticello, IA. Plan now to set aside some plants to contribute to our only public fund-raising activity, and join us for a pleasant potluck picnic in the gazebo in this beautiful setting!

Note: If you have dates and other information about other 1998 plant society meetings, sales, etc., please send the information to the Editor so that it can be included in the Calendar of Events in the next Newsletter.

CVIDS SUMMER DAYLILY TOUR (continued from p. 1)

The Clarion is located at the northwest corner of Exit 242 on I-80 (behind the Hampton Inn; the sign for the Clarion is not visible from the interstate). Our approximate schedule will be:

10:00-12:00	Stoll Garden (including judges' training)
12:00-12:30	Bus to Iowa City
12:30:1:15	Lunch (on your own)
1:30-3:00	McDowell Garden
3:15-4:15	Hecht Garden
4:30	Bus returns to Clarion

Mail your reservation *now*, to insure a space on the bus! Send check to Lynn Stoll, Treasurer, 999 310th St., Atalissa, IA 52720.

Enclosed is a check in the amount of _____ (payable to CVIDS) for:

_____ CVIDS Member registrations @ \$5.00

_____ Non-member registrations @ \$10.00

Handwritten:
6-29-94

Name(s) _____ Phone _____

Address _____

TEN COMMANDMENTS OF GARDEN COURTESY

by Tom Rood, Editor AHS Region 4 Newsletter

[Editor's note: With summer peak bloom rapidly approaching us up in the north, Tom Rood was asked to re-issue his "Ten Commandments of Garden Courtesy" and share it with other AHS regions and clubs. Perhaps some of the newer members have not seen it -- and perhaps some of you may wish to use it for visitors to your own gardens. Tom's comments follow.]

We are still having problems with numbers 1 and 6 in our own garden. Pets and gardens just do not mix. It is not very considerate for visitors to bring pets to a garden and let others walk in the refuse! Plus, leashes are like loose cannons, and the damage they cause takes a whole year to repair, depriving others of the beauty.

Some folks just can't keep their hands off spent blooms. I've caught more than one well-minded individual committing this sin. Some hybridizers have even reported tales of folks "helping" by picking off those ugly fat seed pods! (See rule #11 below!)

Parents are usually well-minded, but kids can get out of control. They may be angels at home, but from time to time they loose their "wings" here. Children are our future, and they must not be discouraged from enjoying garden visits. But it is expected that parents will keep their eyes on their l'il angels.

Cigarette butts left in the garden are not only distasteful to nonsmokers, but also are a source of tobacco mosaic virus. All tobacco products carry this virus, which is harmless to daylilies but deadly to many other common garden plants, including tomatoes and Asiatic lilies. Many commercial gardens require visitors to leave all forms of tobacco products in the car or bus; it is common courtesy to do so without being asked.

Ten Commandments of Garden Courtesy

1. Thou shalt leave pets at home or in a shaded vehicle with the windows partly open.
2. Thou shalt call ahead for permission to visit a private garden. (Thou shalt also observe posted visiting hours for open gardens.)
3. Thou shalt enjoy the garden without endangering scapes with swinging purses, cameras, tripods, etc.
4. Thou shalt use established walkways and not step into or across flower beds.
5. Thou shalt allow children to enjoy the flowers *under very close supervision*.
6. Thou shalt leave spent blooms where found (no deadheading -- ever!).
7. Thou shalt read plant labels without lifting for better viewing.
8. Thou shalt ask before taking pollen.
9. Thou shalt allow the hybridizer to continue to pollinate without interruption.
10. Thou shalt carry away thy cigarette butts upon leaving the garden.
11. Violators shall be composted!

MINUTES OF SPRING MEETING

The first 1998 CVIDS meeting was held on Saturday, March 28, at the home of Jean Hecht. Approximately 20 members attended. The first business was the election of new officers for 1998-1999. Gerald Hobbs presented the list of prospective officers that the nominating committee had decided upon. They are: President, Jean Hecht; Vice-president, Barry Stoll; Secretary, Cassie Wilkinson; and Treasurer, Lynn Stoll. A motion to approve the selections of the nominating committee was made by Joy Adams, seconded by Tammy Visser. A motion was made by Lynn and seconded by Jean that the vice-president assume the job of program committee chairman. Both motions passed unanimously.

The group discussed plans for the national Siberian Iris Convention in the year 2000. The convention will take place the first weekend of June. Headquarters will be the Clarion Hotel in Coralville, Iowa. Tour buses have been arranged. Tour gardens will be located in eastern (Saturday) and central Iowa (Sunday), with the master planting being located at the Iowa Arboretum north of Madrid. It is hoped that many of the guest plants will remain in place at the Arboretum after the convention, so that the public will have the opportunity to see them and learn about modern Siberian irises. Lois Girton from Ames is in charge of guest plants. The convention committee includes Chris, Lois, Jackie, Barry and Joy.

The club also discussed the daylily regional convention to be held in Iowa City in 1999. Dates agreed on were July 17 & 18. The Monticello Riverside Gardens Walk is also that weekend and we will work to promote it as a side trip from the regional. The planning committee for the regional will consist of Barry, Jean, Meagan, Tammy, Gerald, and Joy.

Suggested speakers for the regional include Stamiles, Bob Carr, Steve Moldovan, and Ted Petit. It was suggested we get Matthew Kaskel as our banquet speaker in the fall of 1999, after his test plants have spent some time here. [*Editor's note:* Bob Carr has agreed to be our speaker for the regional convention in 1999]

The treasurer's report was given by Lynn and accepted unanimously. The club continues to be in good financial condition; the club fall sale was the most successful ever, and the program of club plant purchases and subsequent auctions continues to be self-supporting.

Lynn is willing to do a garden judges training session this summer. A possible shared garden tour with the Marshalltown group was discussed. Tentative dates are July 11 or 12.

Region 11 will hold their regional June 26 & 27 in Columbia MO. The possibility of renting a van was discussed. However, no one was willing to volunteer to drive the van, so other options will be looked at.

We will hold our first spring sale on Monday May 16 at the shelter by the pond in Coralville's Morrison Park. Hours will be 10-1. We need a major advertising blitz. Jackie will design a flyer. Jean will place a large ad in the Advertiser. Flyers will be distributed to local businesses.

The auction was discussed. Since Siberian Iris do not take kindly to division it was discussed purchasing hostas rather than iris. Motion made by Barry, seconded by Fred to purchase around \$350.00 in hosta for the auction.

A discussion regarding raising the dues was tabled until later.

A discussion was held regarding the size of auction plants. Lynn pointed out that since we are buying more new intros, the plants will still be small when they go to the auction. Jean mentioned that the grower needs to notify Lynn in the spring as to the size and number of fans that will be available for the auction. Also discussed a new way of dispersing extra auction plants. Decided we will wait until after lunch at the August sale to do so.

Jean Hecht, Secretary

CVIDS TREASURER'S REPORT -- 3/28/98

Lynn Stoll, Treasurer

BALANCE, MARCH 15, 1997 **\$773.84**

INCOME
\$5,912.29

Dues	225.00
Auction of Club Plants (Original purchase price \$1373)	1,279.42
Sale	1,433.50
Registrations for Region One iris tour	2,308.00
Registrations for July garden tour	123.00
Registrations for fall banquet	360.00
AHS 50th Anniversary Books & Newsletter Books	85.00
Interest on Savings	7.59

EXPENDITURES **\$6,354.42**

5 Newsletters		355.26
May 1997	82.31	
June 1997	48.65	
Aug. 1997	47.42	
Oct. 1997	96.63	
March 1998	80.25	
1997 Siberian purchases		241.00
Schafer/Sacks	177.00	
Pope's Perennials	64.00	
1998 daylily purchases		2,013.50
Moldovan's Gardens	500.00	
Floyd Cove Nursery		
Iron Gate Gardens	364.00	
Bell's Daylily Garden	652.50	
Region One Iris Tour		2,313.47
River Trails Transit	375.00	
Blue Chip Inn (lunch)	362.50	
UI Conference Center fee	250.00	
Clarion/Conference Center	704.40	
Joan Cooper	250.00	
Publicity (Joy Adams)	189.49	
Misc. (badges & holders, postage, telephone, hospitality, etc.)	182.08	
July tour lunch (Gerald Hobbs)		83.43
Fall Banquet		771.26
Steve Moldovan airline ticket	214.00	
Clarion Conference center (meals)	557.26	
Misc.		
Lois Girton -- Siberian convention supplies		126.50
AHS 3-year membership for CVIDS (insurance)		50.00
July Tour lunch (Gerald Hobbs)		83.43
AHS Publications		400.00

BALANCE, MARCH 28, 1998 **\$331.71**

DID YOU REMEMBER

. . . . to send your 1998 dues (\$6.00 individual, \$8.00 family) to the Treasurer?

. . . . to tell Lynn Stoll how many fans/plants of the club plants you are growing will be available for the auction?

Both your dues and fan count can be sent to the Treasurer and Newsletter editor, Lynn Stoll, 999 310th St., Atalissa, IA 52720 (319-946-3471).

AHS PUBLICATIONS AVAILABLE AT CLUB DISCOUNTS

CVIDS has purchased a limited quantity of four AHS publications to allow club members to take advantage of the AHS discount for club purchases.

"Best of the Newsletters" If you enjoy Lynn Stoll's articles in club and Regional newsletters, you'll also enjoy these collections of prize-winning daylily articles selected from all 15 regional newsletters. Each paperback volume contains 10 articles on such topics as gardens, hybridizers, cultivars, growing daylilies, daylily humor, hybridizing, daylily photography, and scientific aspects. Club price \$5.00 each.

"Daylilies -- a Fifty-year Affair" This gorgeous 164-page hardback was published in honor of the Golden Anniversary of AHS. You can read about many aspects of daylily growing, learn about the people who have played an important role in the history of the society, and enjoy pictures of all the Stout Medal winners -- and the stunning new cultivars which show the direction where the daylily is moving into the twenty-first century. Club price \$25.00 each.

Send checks to the Treasurer: Lynn Stoll, 999 310th St., Atalissa, IA 52720.

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_____ *The Best from the Newsletters*, Vol. 1 (1994) @ \$5.00

_____ *The Best from the Newsletters*, Vol. 2 (1995) @ \$5.00

_____ *The Best from the Newsletters*, Vol. 3 (1996) @ \$5.00 (just released)

_____ *Daylilies -- A Fifty-Year Affair* @ \$25.00

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