

# Cedar Valley Iris and Daylily Society

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## FROM THE PRESIDENT

It is official. The club has agreed to host the 2019 regional meeting. More information will be forthcoming in about 3 years. But it is not too soon to start thinking about hosting your garden as either a tour garden or an open garden.

Travel is the next best thing to gardening. If you find yourself visiting a garden this spring or summer, why not take a few pictures and write a short story about it to share with the club? We would love to publish your story in the Newsletter and/or on the web site. Writing an article for the NL is another activity that will count toward earning a club plant.

There are still two open board positions for 2014. A Vice President is needed for a two-year term and a Secretary to fill a one-year term. Please contact any board member or me if you are interested.

Zora Ronan

## POSTPONEMENT OF IRIS GARDEN TOUR UNTIL JUNE 9

Zora has learned from our hostess Wanda Lunn that her iris garden will not be in full bloom on Sunday, May 19th, the date previously scheduled for our Iris Garden Walk. This Walk has therefore been postponed until Sunday, June 9th. The working hypothesis for that afternoon is to visit Brucemore and Wanda Lunn's garden and conclude by having an ice cream somewhere close by (possible choices include Cold Stone Creamery, Pizza Joe's and Paneras). Zora writes: "Brucemore is really quite lovely and the gardens are restored back to much of what they were, an English garden suitable to our climate (now with a heavy deer problem). It is part of the Historic Trust.

More info: <http://www.brucemore.org/explore/estate/>  
The Douglas money came from what is now Penford and Quaker Oats. They grew more prosperous during the Depression because most folks could only afford oatmeal to eat. Cedar Rapids got its first rail spur so that the Douglas girls could be picked up easily by their friends when going to school in New York (Miss Somebody's in upper East Side) or vacations with all the other rich families of the time".

Further information will be posted on the website and sent to the membership via e-mail and US mail as soon as it becomes available. Thank you for your interest in this club activity.

## MINUTES FROM APRIL 13 MEETING

By Sally Riewerts

The April meeting of the Cedar Valley Iris and Daylily Society was called to order by Jonathan Poulton at 12 noon at the Eldridge Public Library with 41 members in attendance.

The March meeting minutes were approved with a motion by Sylvia Seymour, seconded by Sherri Baldonado. The treasurer's report was given by Debbie Hansen, but approval was withheld pending receipt of additional club plant bills.

### Upcoming events:

**Saturday, May 11** – Spring Plant Sale at North Liberty. Set up at 8 a.m. and sale at 9 a.m. Bring chairs and tables, as well as daylilies and other plants. Zora will email a "plant readiness" memo on preparing plants for sale.

**Friday, May 24 9-Noon:** Set up for Plant Distribution at West Liberty Fairgrounds.

**Sat., May 25** – Annual Club Plant Distribution & Auction: Starts at 9 a.m.

**Random Drawing** for members in good standing (plant of choice).

**Auction of remainder of 2013 club plants** - (all members eligible)

**Auction of returning 2010 (and 2009) plants** (all members eligible). Please let Heather Harroun know what 2009-2010 plants and how many fans you are bringing back for this part of the auction. Heather: phone (309) 791-0203; email: [jhsharroun@qconline.com](mailto:jhsharroun@qconline.com)

Anyone else wanting to help with setup and/or the auction can call Keith and Sally Riewerts at (563) 285-8941 or email at [rkrkrkr@netins.net](mailto:rkrkrkr@netins.net)

**Sunday, June 9** – 2 – 4:30 p.m. Iris Tour – Brucemore and Wanda Lunn gardens. See p. 4 for details.

The **CVIDS Garden Tour** is scheduled for July 6 at the gardens of the Moffit families, Lynn and Sherry and Robert and Suzanne and Joyce and Steve Parsons in the North English-Conroy area. More information will be coming later.

The **Fall Banquet** has been rescheduled for November 2, 2013 at the Coralville, Iowa Holiday Inn with guest speaker Jamie Gossard, noted daylily hybridizer from Ohio.

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## MINUTES FROM MARCH 23 MEETING

By Sally Riewerts for Donna Denly

On March 23, at the Coralville Public library, we enjoyed a very informative and “eye pleasing” program on perennials by Deb Walser from Peck’s Nursery in Cedar Rapids. Her program “New Perennials for 2013” showed a wide variety of shade-tolerant and sun-loving plants of many varieties. From alchemilla to asters and from Hellaborus to Heucherella, she held the interest of the membership and gave good information on plants that will grow well in our gardens.

53 members grabbed more food and we began the business meeting as Zora welcomed all at 2:55 p.m.

The minutes were approved with a motion by Gary Oster and second by Clay Dawson, although there was some discussion as to the web availability of the minutes from the Feb. meeting.

The Treasurer’s report was tabled until next month so that all plant distribution vendors could be included.

Jackie Westhoff presented information on the North American Lily Society, Inc. 66th Annual Lily Show and Symposium which will be held in West Des Moines, Iowa, from June 26 to 30, 2013. More information is available at the web site: <http://www.iowaregionallilysociety.com/NALS2013show.html> or at NALS2013ShowSchedule.pdf. Their show will have presentations, floral displays, auctions, and garden tours similar to our regional last summer.

Susan Minger reported on the Club Tour for this summer. It will be held the Saturday after July 4<sup>th</sup>. She asked for additional gardens that might be included in the North English area near the Moffits’ gardens.

Heather Harroun requested clarification re the returning plants from the 2010 plant distribution. Last fall’s plant return was cancelled due to the drought and severe growing conditions in favor of returning these plants at the Club Plant Distribution on May 25 of 2013. All members who received club plants in 2010 are asked to notify Heather with the name and number of fans to be returned then. She also will need to know if plants have died or have no increase. The 2010 plant distribution list is on the club web site.

Open board positions at the end of 2013 include Treasurer, Vice President and Secretary. Further information will be coming from Zora.

In a motion by Gary Oster seconded by Rex McCreight, the membership approved CVIDS hosting the 2019 Region One regional meeting again as we did this past summer. The biggest concern for committing to this event is that we will all be six years older in 2019 . . .

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

CVIDS has traditionally met on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month. CIDS meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday.

### MAY 25

#### CLUB PLANT DISTRIBUTION & AUCTION

(9 am set-up, 10 am start)

West Liberty (Muscatine County Fairgrounds)

See minutes of April 13 meeting for details

### JUNE 9

IRIS TOUR (2:00-4:30 pm; see p. 3 for details)

### JULY 6

#### DAYLILY GARDEN TOUR AND LUNCH

North English-Conroy area

### JULY 24-27

#### AMERICAN HEMEROCALLIS SOCIETY NATIONAL CONVENTION

Minneapolis, MN

### AUGUST 24

FALL PLANT SALE (9 am to noon), POT LUCK LUNCH & SILENT AUCTION (noon to 3:30 pm)

Riverside Gardens Gazebo, Monticello

### OCTOBER 12 CVIDS MEETING (noon to 3:30 pm)

(Hybridizers’ Roundup)

Coralville Public Library

Speaker: Jonathan Poulton: “Proliferations – Cheap Clones” (15 min)

### NOVEMBER 2

#### CVIDS BANQUET & BETTY MILLER PHOTO CONTEST

Coralville Holiday Inn, 11:00 AM

Speaker: Jamie Gossard (Heavenly Gardens)

## MINUTES FROM MARCH 23 MTG. (CONT.)

The initiative to have a club bus tour was shelved in favor of procuring a “named” speaker for the Fall Banquet. Keith Riewerts is working on this project.

Verne Moore moved to adjourn seconded by Clay Dawson. Motion approved.

Following the business meeting, Nancy Carlisle gave a well-received presentation on labeling your plants. From organizing your collection to losing labels due to over-zealous lawn workers to the types of labels available and markers to make labels permanent, Nancy shared interesting and useful information. Several members, including Barb Papenhausen, Gerald Hobbs, and Keith Riewerts added their “label secrets” during a Q and A time.

Finally, Keith Riewerts handed out Membership Directory Updates that he and Jonathan Poulton had compiled and had printed.

Winners of random door prizes included Jackie Westhoff, Brenda Knipper, Rex McCreight, Joyce Parsons, Sherry Baldanado, and Gerald Hobbs.

## MINUTES FROM APRIL 13 MEETING (CONT.)

Following discussion regarding the club name, a consensus was reached that our history, as well as our reputation and regional familiarity as an organization should be maintained and that the word "Iris" should be retained in our official CVIDS name.

Following this discussion, Colleen Hansen moved and Gary Oster seconded a motion that CVIDS banners, designed by Nathan Kirkman, be purchased. The cost for two banners will be \$415 plus shipping. Before purchasing, a note was made to review the wording on the banner(s) to remove the word "Sale" from the banner, as not all CVIDS functions where the banners might be used will involve a plant sale.

Next on the agenda was an announcement that the Siouxland Iris Society Spring Regional Convention will be held Sat., May 18 in Sioux City, Iowa. Zora Ronan has additional information.

Doug Jones announced that the memorial for his father, Jack Jones will be held on July 13, at 11 a.m. at their farm in Olin, Iowa. More details and directions will follow and be available on the CVIDS web site.

Robert Towler reported that the Quad City Botanical Center sent a note of thanks to CVIDS for donations. The Q C Botanical Center now has 226 daylily plants, representing all types of daylilies. Barb Papenhausen is preparing an application to AHS to designate this garden as an AHS Display Garden.

The meeting adjourned to Sylvia Seymour's PowerPoint presentation on the Betty Miller Photo contest, followed by Keith and Sally Riewerts' 2013 Club Plant Presentation.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR MEMBERS

There is still space available at the National Conference in Minneapolis but the registration is capped at 600. There will be 12 or 13 buses for the garden tours and it is necessary for you to sign in for a bus after you pick up your convention documents in July. If you plan to take Garden Judges Workshop 2, make sure that you sign up for the judges' bus.

Kincaid Gardens, which sells high quality stainless steel plant markers, has a 'rewards program.' If you purchase labels use the Reward Code **DAY-CVIDS**. You will receive a discount on the purchase and the club will receive a monetary kickback every quarter. More information on the products available can be found at [www.kincaidgardens.com](http://www.kincaidgardens.com).

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to two new members, who joined CVIDS at the March 23 meeting:

**Mel Bauguess**

**Scott Feddern**

Be sure to look for these new members at future club events and meetings and give them a warm welcome!

## MORE FROM ZORA

Dear CVIDS members,

Thanks to everyone who braved the cold winds and came out to the plant sale last Saturday. We had lots of great plants and the net income is approximately \$950.00. We always seem to be fighting the cold winds and the baseball tournaments and those both diminish the turnout. Nonetheless, it was a successful day and our beautiful new feather signs proved to be a worthwhile investment.

Next Saturday, May 25 is the day we all wait for: club plant distribution. Come by at 9 AM to start viewing the plants. The Banquet Bingo plants will also be distributed. After the club plants are selected, there will be two auctions: returning 2010 club plants and remaining 2013 club plants.

We will have credit card access available for the auction via our Square Up account. It takes all major credit cards. Of course, we always love cash and checks.

The Iris Tour is now set for Sunday, June 9. We will meet at 2:00 PM at Brucemore, 2160 Linden Drive SE, Cedar Rapids under the trees at the Visitor Center/Cutting Gardens. It is a short walk to the main garden. Entrance to Brucemore is from Linden Street (the driveway from 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue is a one-way exit). There has been some construction in the area and I will advise if there are any road closings around Linden. After touring Brucemore we will drive approximately 5 ½ miles to Wanda Lunn's lovely historic iris garden at 526 Bezdek Drive NW, Cedar Rapids. The group will decide if we want to go for ice cream, lunch, or home.

See you Saturday in West Liberty. Look for our new flashy pink feather sign. Working at the event will count toward next year's club plant.

Zora

### **MARCH 23, 2013 CVIDS ATTENDANCE**

Sherry Baldonado  
Mel Bauguess (new member)  
Barbara Bowersox  
Nancy Carlisle  
Doris Carney  
Wayne Carney  
Clay Dawson  
Kathy Dawson  
Diane Derganz  
Monica Dabling  
Scott Feddern (new member)  
Jill Gardner  
Sara Hankemeier  
Scott Hansen  
Heather Harroun  
Loren Hass  
Myrna Hass  
Kay Hill  
Gerald Hobbs  
Steve Hobbs  
Brenda Knipper  
Roger Knipper  
Dave Kramer  
Sue Kramer  
Barb McCreight  
Rex McCreight  
Susan Minger  
Lyle Moen  
Susan Minger  
Lyle Moen  
Robert Moffitt  
Suzanne Moffitt  
Cathy Moore  
Robert Moore  
Mary Moore  
Verne Moore  
Karmin Mullins  
Gary Oster  
Barb Papenhausen  
Bob Papenhausen  
Joyce Parsons  
Steve Parsons  
Diann Pavelka  
LeAnn Pisarik  
Ginger Pruess  
Nancy Rash  
Keith Riewerts  
Sally Riewerts  
Jan Rogers  
Zora Ronan  
Sylvia Seymour  
Diana Strait  
Ted Strait  
Shirley Waters  
Jackie Westhoff

### **APRIL 13, 2013 CVIDS ATTENDANCE**

Carole Appelquist  
David Appelquist  
Sherry Baldonado  
Melvin Bauguess  
Clay Dawson  
Jill Gardner  
Colleen Hansen  
Debra Hansen  
Scott Hansen  
Gerald Hobbs  
Douglas Jones  
Lynne Kirkman  
Brenda Knipper  
Roger Knipper  
Lynn Kroemer  
Randy Kroemer  
Sherry McCarville  
Barb McCreight  
Rex McCreight  
Lyle Moen  
Lynn Moffitt  
Sherry Moffitt  
Mary Moore  
Verne Moore  
Jan Null  
Gary Oster  
Barb Papenhausen  
Bob Papenhausen  
Joyce Parsons  
Steve Parsons  
Jonathan Poulton  
Ginger Pruess  
Nancy Rash  
Keith Riewerts  
Sally Riewerts  
Jan Rogers  
Sylvia Seymour  
Diana Strait  
Ted Strait  
Robert Towler  
Shirley Waters