

## **CVIDS meeting minutes 10-14-17**

Coralville Public Library

Keith Riewerts brought meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. He gave health updates for several club members.

### **Hybridizer's Roundup**

Congratulations to Gary Oster and Dave Applequist on their introductions this year, which are their first to register. Presentations were given by Barb Papenhausen, Sue Kramer, Jackie Westhoff, Gerald Hobbs, Brian Thompson, Larry Rettig and Jonathan Poulton. We hope to post all presentations on the CVIDS website.

**Minutes** – A motion to approve the minutes from August 26, 2017, was made by Dave Kramer. Gary Oster seconded the motion. It was approved unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report** – Sue Kramer gave the Treasurer's report - see handout. We have set aside \$4,500 for 2020 Regional Conference, leaving a healthy balance in the club treasury. There was a question about the listed expense of \$485 for rent. Sue clarified that this included a \$200 damage deposit for the Monticello plant sale venue, which will be returned.

**Memorial – Donna Denly** - Keith asked for a motion to donate \$25 to a memorial for Donna Denly, who passed away in July. Barb Black made the motion, which was seconded by Jackie Westhoff. The motion was approved unanimously.

### **Announcements:**

Happy Birthday to Caroline Jones (75) and to Robert Moffitt (80), and congratulations to Brian and Mary Thompson on their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

New members were welcomed: Kathy Ockenfels, Jim and Reena Carney, Frank Moore

Thank you to all who helped with the plant sale/auction in Monticello.

During the board meeting today, an AHS survey was completed regarding their services. One survey question was "How can AHS best help CVIDS be more successful?" Keith asked that members respond to this question.

Media highlights – Gary Oster was featured in his local newspaper. Gerald Hobbs was featured in an article in the AHS journal.

Upcoming Regional Newsletter will include a cover photo and story featuring Gerald and Steve Hobbs.

October is Iowa Archaeology month. A film featuring late CVIDS member Doug Jones will be shown at the University of Iowa Art West on October 19, 2017, from 7:00 -8:00 p.m.

### **Reports:**

Fall Plant Sale – Heather had to leave early so did not give the report. Keith reported that, in order to encourage higher bidding, \$50 was the maximum starting price/bid for several silent auction club plants, which likely brought more money than the live auction might have produced.

2018 Club Plants – Jackie Westhoff reported that some plants have been ordered from Jamie Gossard, Margo Reed, Jim Murphy, Gill Stelter (Canada), and Darlin Wilkinson (Grey Woods Farm). Please tell Jackie if you have a favorite hybridizer from whom you would like plants. Sixty-five members qualified for club plants in 2017. The budget for 2018 will be \$6,000, which is the same as 2017 and confirmed in the January 2017 minutes.

Club Tour – Jonathan Poulton reported that approximately 65 people attended and thanked the garden hosts and committee.

Banquet – Nancy Rash announced that the Fall Banquet is November 11, 2017, at the Radisson Hotel and Conference Center in Coralville. Sherry Moffitt is taking reservations and her contact information will be in the newsletter and on the CVIDS website. Members eat free, and guests are welcome for \$25.00. Social time starts at 11:00 a.m., photo contest at 11:00 a.m., lunch at 12:00 (2 entrees), followed by the speaker, business meeting, raffle and door prizes.

Photo contest – Mary Jo Duffy reviewed winners and categories from last year's photo contest. This year, members can submit 2 photos/category. There will be 9 categories and one overall winner. Submit photos electronically or hard copy to Mary Jo by November 1. Mary Jo will print all photos submitted electronically and will scan hard copies to include all photos in a slide show during the banquet.

Banquet speaker – Keith announced that our Banquet speaker will be Scott Elliott. Scott is flying into Moline on Friday night. Keith and Sally will pick him up from the airport and take him to dinner that evening in the Quad Cities. Keith will put out invitation for that evening. Scott will talk about his own hybridizing program but also has presentations on weed control, etc. Please tell Keith if you would like to hear about a specific topic.

Election- Our current Secretary and Vice-President agree to continue for another term. If anyone wants to be nominated for either of these offices, please let Keith know, and we will have the election at the Banquet.

Website - Jonathan would like to know if anyone else is interested in taking over the website.

Next year's meeting calendar – Please submit ideas for meeting programs to Keith.

Meeting raffle winners – Sam McCord, Mary Moore, Suzanne Moffitt, Jonathan Poulton, Sue Kramer, Jan Rogers. Thank you to Sam McCord and Barb Papenhausen for raffle donations.

Nancy Rash motioned to adjourn the meeting. Jan Rogers seconded the motion. All members were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.