

Cedar Valley Iris and Daylily Society

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From the President

The COVID-19 challenges of 2020 presented the CVIDS Board members with an opportunity to look at ways we can keep you as members involved in CVIDS activities and programs as we begin the year of 2021.

I volunteered to keep the communication going with club members with help from Lyle as the Newsletter Editor until we can meet again in person.

The minutes of the CVIDS Board Meeting held December 18, 2020 were sent with the December News email to members. We met via Zoom and it was wonderful to see and hear each other. Our Board is very interested in keeping in touch with members and encourages the engagement of members during this time of no "in person" meetings. We welcome ideas from the membership to keep us connected during this time.

We think of the holidays as a happy and fun time and also want to lift up our members that have experienced losses this year. The derecho affected much of our membership area and some members suffered extensive damages that will have long term impact.

Member Mary McCord passed away this summer. Ginger and Sherry lost their mothers this fall. Charter member Robert Little passed away in September also.

Warm wishes to all of you as we begin what we hope is a new year that sees COVID-19 under control.

Nancy Rash
CVIDS President

Nancy Rash, Newsletter Co-Editor (Serious)
Lyle Moen, Newsletter Co-Editor (Fun Stuff)

From the President continued:

DUES ARE DUE

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

Please send your check to:

Shelly Lett, 1673 Garfield Avenue, West Branch,
IA 52358.

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."

A PERSONAL NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

My sister is Peggy Daniels, who also has an interest in daylilies. You may have met her at the Region One Meeting in Marshalltown in 2015. Her husband Larry passed away on December 27, 2020 after battling cancer of the esophagus. Larry was always happy to take my sister and me "shopping" at numerous Amish nurseries and we made many drives through Missouri Conservation Areas observing the prairie and wildflowers.



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From the President continued:

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.”

In keeping with our Mission and the goal to keep CVIDS members active and engaged during this time of no face to face meetings, this is an invite and request that members volunteer to participate in ways to keep our club going and to ensure that members meet their requirement to pay dues and contribute to the activities of the club.

From the handbook: Eligibility Requirements for Club Plant Distribution (approved 11/12/11, reapproved 3/25/15) To be eligible to receive a club plant for the current year, a member must have completed both of the following:

- paid membership dues for both the current and previous years (paid by April 1 of each year).
- contributed to the club’s activities during the previous calendar year (January 1 through December 31) by undertaking any two of the following: (1) attended two club meetings (**includes garden tour** but not the banquet) (2) served as a **CVIDS Board member** (3) **chaired or co-chaired a committee** (4) donated plants to a club sale (5) assisted at the CVIDS plant sales or auctions (6) **presented a club program** (7) **hosted a CVIDS garden tour** (8) **written an article for the Newsletter** (9) bid in the Silent Auction of returning club plants (10) **performed any other activity that contributes to the success of the club.**

the **Mission**

I need members to volunteer to give a program – via Zoom, for the membership and/or contribute to the newsletter. A book review or horticulture aid or tip could be submitted. We will need members to host Open Gardens for 2021 and the hosts can use help preparing (number 10 on the list) their gardens. There are many ways to contribute to the success of CVIDS.

Please contact me for more ideas and your contribution.

THANK YOU

I want to thank members that responding to the December request indicating interest in a CVIDS program via Zoom. There are tutorials for using Zoom available on line and most public libraries will help you with Zoom.



THE PASSING OF BOB FAULKNER

Jackie Westhoff shared her memory of Bob Faulkner, our 2014 CVIDS Fall Banquet Speaker:

“I remember his presentation at one of our fall banquets, he was funny and entertaining as he told us about his journey into daylilies and creating his beautiful flowers. I always hoped to get to Northern Mecca some summer to see his garden along with Polston and Gossard gardens. Bob died after a month long battle with COVID-19 on December 26, 2020.”

<https://www.newcomerdayton.com/Obituary/193604/Robert-Faulkner/Dayton-OH>.