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Indiana Daylily – Iris Society



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April 2017 Newsletter

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Next meeting-Tuesday, April 4, 6:30pm

Scott Elliott from Maneki Neko Gardens in Ellabell, Georgia will be our speaker. Scott and Dominique Elliott specialize in double, spider, and unusual form daylilies that will grow well over a wide geographical area. In addition, they hybridize a large number of small and miniature daylilies. Their daylilies are grown in southeast Georgia but also tested in Wisconsin. All daylilies are field grown and never enter a greenhouse. As of last year, they had registered 111 daylilies and won a number of awards.

Scott is currently President of AHS region 5. He is the 2017 Chair of the Judges' Education Committee and Chair of the AHS Scientific Studies Committee. He is also the author of the recently published *Double Daylilies: Twice the Fun*. Scott is the Co-Chair of the 2020 AHS National Convention being held in Savannah, GA.

Join us for this interesting program at First Friends Church, 3030 Kessler Blvd, East Drive, Indianapolis.

About Our Speaker

Maneki Neko Gardens in Ellabell, Georgia, is located on 11 acres in a country setting. Scott and Dominique Elliott grow more than 90 varieties of hydrangeas and too many daylilies to count. As far as daylilies go, they specialize in show-winning double, spider and unusual form daylilies and any combination of the above with an emphasis on daylilies that will grow well over a wide geographical area. Scott and Dominique also hybridize a large number of small and miniature daylilies, and a few extra large daylilies, usually by mistake. Basically, they work with any form of daylily, except large, fluffy, full-form singles. Their daylilies are grown in Southeast Georgia, and are tested in Wisconsin. All daylilies are field grown and NEVER enter a greenhouse. Tender seedlings are allowed to die and are eliminated from the program.

As of October 1st, 2016, they had registered 111 daylilies, earning 48 AHS Achievement Medals, 12 Junior Citations, the Georgia Doubles Appreciation award, the Georgia Hybridizers award, two Honorable Mention awards and the Ida Munson award. In addition, both Scott and Dominique have won the Ophelia Taylor Horticultural award. Scott and Dominique also compete in a number of daylily shows each year, earning seven best-in-show awards for their own cultivars in 2015-2016. In addition to their own registered cultivars, they grow approximately 200 named cultivars from other hybridizers, mostly used for their hybridizing program. The remaining few thousand daylilies are, for the most part, seedlings in some stage of development.

Scott is a noted speaker with fun, entertaining and informative programs on a number of topics. He travels in excess of 100,000 miles a year giving presentations all over the world. Scott is the 2017 Chair of the Judges' Education Committee and Chair of the AHS Scientific Studies Committee, in addition to being on a number of committees ranging from Membership, Publications and the Popularity Poll. He is also the author of the recently published *Double Daylilies: Twice the Fun* and continues to publish articles in the Daylily Journal and various Regional newsletters. "I love to do programs on our daylilies and hydrangeas, in addition to scientific topics on both. program for your club or region,

Greeting IDIS Members!

I'm glad for all of you who found your way to First Friends Church for our March meeting. Very informative talk about controlling moles from Roger McCay, and a preview of flowers to see this spring at the Median Iris Society mini-convention by Peggy Allen. I'm sure you won't want to miss this month's program by Scott Elliott from Maneki Neko Gardens. Our friends from HooDS will be hosting Robert Selman from Blue Ridge Daylilies on April 27th, 7pm at the Carmel City Hall. Eric Simpson, a hybridizer formerly from central Indiana, is also planning on being present at their meeting.

Joyce Wozniak, along with other club members, was able to represent our club at the Marion County Master Gardener's Spring clinic in early March. The Hendrick's County Master Gardener Show is coming up on Saturday, April 22, 9am to 4pm at the Hendricks County Fairground in Danville. There will be shifts from 8:30-12:30 and 12:30-4:30. I could use one or two volunteers for each shift. If interested in volunteering, please let me know [<yodermaust@sbcglobal.net>](mailto:yodermaust@sbcglobal.net). If you are interested in volunteering with the Median Iris Society mini-convention in May, contact Chuck Bunnell [<whozher@mintel.net>](mailto:whozher@mintel.net) about volunteer opportunities.

Shirley Toney has made some beautiful flyers for our July daylily show and our August Sullivan sale. If you have a location where you could post these flyers, that would be helpful in publicizing our events. They will be available at our April and June meetings.

Finally, a special thanks to all of you for your flexibility and patience as we explore new venues this year.

Rod Maust, President

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"Apologies to Doris Winton whose garden was inadvertently omitted under AHS Daylily Display Gardens on page 7 of the new Membership Book."

Nominating Committee

Jeff and Nancy Barnett, Jackie Schroeder, and Debbie Hale have agreed to serve on the Nominating Committee. Jeff will serve as chairperson. Our bylaws say that "no officer shall serve more than two consecutive terms in the same position..." The current officers will have served two consecutive terms by the end of 2017. If you have suggestions for nominations, please contact the nominating committee.

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2017 IDIS Events

Saturday, April 22, 2017

Hendricks County Master Gardener Show, Hendricks County Fairgrounds, Danville

Wednesday, May 3, 2017

Program: "Tropical Butterfly Adventures Around the World" (Mark Druckenbrod, Cleveland Botanical Garden) & NCAP Daylily Distribution (John Everitt & Dan Howell)

Time: 6:30

Place: First Friends Church parlor

Thursday-Saturday, May 18-20, 2017

American Iris Society Mini-Convention "Median Iris Rule Supreme in 2017" & AIS Region 6 Spring meeting, Lafayette, IN

Tuesday-Saturday, May 23-27, 2017

American Iris Society National Convention, Des Moines, Iowa

Tuesday, June 6, 2017

Program: Charles & Cynthia Lucius, Amity Abloom, Columbus, Ohio

Time: 6:30

Place: First Friends Church parlor

Wednesday-Saturday, June 21-24, 2017

American Hemerocallis Society National Convention, Norfolk, Virginia

Saturday, July 8, 2017

Program: IDIS Daylily Show (Laurel Richardson, Show Chair & Janet Wilke, Co-Chair)

Time: Set-up 8:00-10:30AM, Judging 10:45-12:45, Public Viewing 1:00-4:00PM

Place: Sullivan Hardware & Garden pavilion, 6955 N Keystone Ave, Indianapolis

Friday-Saturday, July 14-16, 2017

American Hemerocallis Society Region 2 Summer Meeting, Grand Rapids, Michigan

Tuesday, August 1, 2017

Program: "Hook, Line, and Sinker: An Iris Seed Survival Strategy" (Steve Poole)

Time: 6:30

Place: First Friends Church parlor

Saturday, August 19, 2017

IDIS Annual Daylily/Iris Sale (John Everitt & Peggy Allen)

Time: Set-up 8:00AM, Member buying 9:45AM, Public buying 10:00AM-3:00PM

Place: Sullivan Hardware & Garden, 6955 N Keystone Ave, Indianapolis

Saturday, September 9, 2017

IDIS Annual Pitch-In and Plant Exchange

NCAP Daylily Auction (John Everitt & Dan Howell)

Time: Set-up 11:00AM, Lunch 11:45AM, Auction 12:45PM

Place: First Friends Church social hall

Saturday, October 7, 2017

IDIS Awards Banquet

Program: "Japanese & Siberian Iris" (John Coble, Ensata Gardens, Michigan)

Time: Lunch 12:00Noon, Program 12:45PM

Place: Bravo Cucina Italiana, Willow Lake East, 2658 Lake Circle Drive, Indianapolis