Indiana IDIS Newsletter



President's message

Greetings Gardening Friends,

Many thanks go to Greg Beavers for coordinating the NCAP daylily distribution at our May meeting! I hope you've got your plants in a good spot and that you will nurture them well for the next three years.

What should be said about the Iris Show...beautiful venue, beautiful flowers, but challenging weather. Over 170 flowers were exhibited and there were many creative floral arrangements. The large tent didn't have side flaps and the wind was gusty, frequently blowing over floral arrangements, flower stalks, and creating general havoc. Several things were broken and we closed early because of the weather. Despite these drawbacks, judging went smoothly, ribbons were awarded, and we had a number of visitors stopping by. We also gained two new members, welcome Patrick and Jean! Special thanks to Chuck, Barb, and Peggy for making it all come together!

This month we welcome Dan Hansen of Ladybug Daylilies, Geneva, FL as our speaker. While he's been an ocean engineer with a specialty in sea ice mechanics, and done commercial fishing and diving, for the past 25+ years he's run a commercial nursery. His plants are field grown, no pots, insecticides, fungicides, foliage feeding, or high end fertilizers...only allowing himself to do what his customers do. His daylily interests include clear colors, complex eyes, blue, doubles, teeth, and narrow form tetraploids. He has introduced several hundred daylilies and will be bringing some for auction at the meeting. Expect to be entertained by a well-seasoned hybridizer. Don't forget your checkbooks.

Our annual Daylily Show is scheduled for Saturday, July 2 at Sullivan Hardware and Garden Center. This will be in their pavilion with set-up from 8am-10:30am. Judging will occur from 10:45am-12:45pm with public viewing from 1-4pm. Exhibiting a "minimum of 5 plants" or volunteering a "minimum of 4 hours" are qualifying activities toward our NCAP and Registration Refund programs. What might you be able to bring this year? This is another

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chance to share with others the flowers you grow, and educate the public on colors and forms available in daylilies.

As always, we'll have a free plant table at our June meeting for those extra plants you might have to share.

Thanks for your support of IDIS,

Rod Maust, president <<u>vodermaust@gmail.com></u>

2022 IDIS EVENTS

(All meetings 6:30pm at First Friends Church (fellowship hall), 3030 Kessler Blvd, East Drive, Indianapolis, unless otherwise noted)

Red font indicates local events

Black font indicates regional/national events

Tuesday, June 7, 2022 Program: Daylilies (Dan Hansen, Ladybug Daylilies, Geneva, FL)

Saturday, July 2, 2022 IDIS Daylily Show Set-up: 8am-10:30am Judging: 10:45am-12:45pm Public Viewing: 1pm-4pm (Sullivan Hardware & Garden pavilion)

July 6-9, 2022 American Daylily Society National Convention (Ashville, NC)

July 15-17, 2022 American Daylily Society Region 2 Summer Meeting (Columbus, OH)

Tuesday, August 2, 2022 Program: "What Is Happening At Riverbend Gardens?" (Sandy Holmes, Riverbend Daylily Garden, Xenia, OH)

> Saturday, August 13, 2022 Annual Daylily/Iris Sale Set-up: 8am

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Member buying: 9:45am Public buying: 10am-3pm (Allisonville Home & Garden, 11405 Allisonville Rd, Fishers, IN)

Saturday, September 3, 2022 Installation of Officers, Plant Exchange, & NCAP Daylily Auction (Members and guests only) Set-up: 12:15pm Auction: 1:00pm (Lezlie and Pat Myers, Lebanon, IN)

> Saturday, September 17, 2022 American Iris Society Region 2 Fall Meeting (Fort Wayne, IN)

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