

Indiana IDIS Newsletter



NEWS



President's message

Greetings Gardening Friends,

What an entertaining presentation we had from Lisa and Jerry Marlatt at our May meeting. In addition to their informative talk, they brought along twelve of their daylily introductions that were auctioned off to some lucky members.

This month there will be no formal speaker as we have the NCAP daylily distribution. Greg has already picked up the plants from Daylily World in KY and is expecting the plants from Bart Beck soon. Please look over the plants prior to the meeting so you'll have your choices ready. See the attached list of qualified members. Remember that you must also be a member of the American Daylily Society to be in the first round of drawings.

Many visitors stopped by our booth at the Hendricks County Master Gardener show at the end of April. We were able to have some blooming iris on display. Two new members joined--welcome Jan & Dave Adams! We sold a number of plants and passed out many flyers. Thanks to all who donated plants and volunteered time at the booth.

We had a nice display of 55 iris at the Peony Festival at Avon Gardens on May 21. There was a wide variety of colors and classes. Over 2000 folks attended the event so there were

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many who stopped by to admire the iris and vote for their favorite. Thanks to all who brought flowers and volunteered at the display. Please see Peggy's article about the event.

Our biennial Daylily Show is scheduled for Saturday, July 1 at Avon Gardens. This will be in a covered area with two walled sides. Set-up will be 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. This is another chance to share with others what flowers you grow, and educate the public on the many colors and forms available in daylilies. What might you be able to bring this year? We'll hear more about it at our June meeting.

Don't forget the Nominating Committee and their work. If you have ideas of someone you think would be a good board member please let Laurel, Bret, or Mary know. Might you even consider volunteering yourself?

As always, we'll have a place for free items at our June meeting. If you're working in the garden and have an extra plant, consider bringing it along to share with others.

Thanks for your support of IDIS!

Rod Maust, president

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Indiana Daylily and Iris Society - Iris Display - May 21st at Avon Gardens - Great Success!

IDIS decided to do an iris fun display at the Avon Gardens Peony Palooza since IDIS is



only doing one sanctioned show a year (Daylily will be July 1, 2023 at Avon Gardens). It was a fabulous display and huge success! Fifty-four entries grown by six members. All classes and colors were represented. The public voted on his or her favorite stalk. We tallied 250 votes and the tall bearded took the day (MTB's received no votes....). Winners

included a tie for first place. Greg Beavers with Gypsy Romance and Dan Howell with a NOID that needs a name since everyone wanted a piece of it. Second place to Rod Maust Cleared For Take Off. Wintry Sky by Greg Beavers was third. It was a beautiful day to be in a lovely garden surrounded by stunning flowers and all those gorgeous iris!



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2023 IDIS EVENTS

Red font indicates local events

Black font indicates regional/national events

Tuesday, June 6, 2023

Program: NCAP distribution (Members only)

Time: 6:30 P.M.

Place: First Friends Church

3030 Kessler Blvd., East Drive, Indianapolis

June 15-17—AHS National Convention, Nashville, TN

Saturday, July 1, 2023—Daylily Show

Time: Set-up: 8:00 A.M. – 10:30 A.M.;

Judging: 10:45 A.M. – 12:45 P.M.

Public viewing: 1:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M.

Place: Avon Gardens, 6259 E County Rd 91N, Avon, IN

July 21-23—AHS Region 2 Summer meeting, Lansing, MI

Tuesday, August 1

Program: "Louisiana Iris: Taming An American Wildflower"

(Steve Poole, Eldorado, IL)

Time: 6:30 P.M.

Place: First Friends Church

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Saturday, August 12, 2023—IDIS Annual Daylily/Iris plant sale

Time: Setup: 8am, Membership buying: 9:45am

Public Buying: 10am-3pm

Place: Avon Gardens, 6259 E County Rd 91N, Avon, IN

Saturday, September 2, 2023—Installation of Officers, Plant Exchange, NCAP Daylily Auction, & NCAP iris distribution

(members and guests only)

Time: Set-up: 11:00 A.M.; Lunch: 11:45 A.M.;

Auction: 12:45 P.M.

Place: First Friends Church

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Saturday, September 16—AIS Region 6 Fall Meeting, Ft Wayne area