# **Indiana IDIS Newsletter**







# President's message

Greeting Gardening Friends,

Wow, what an abundance of NCAP daylilies we had this year. Thanks to Lezlie Myers for coordinating our program this year! Everyone had the option of going home with at least three cultivars. I trust they are all safely tucked in a special spot to grow for the next three years.

Special kudos to Peggy Harger-Allen and her crew for putting together the AIS Region 6 meeting at Lafayette! While there was some last minute rot in the iris beds, a number of flowers were still blooming for the weekend. What a great time to be together with iris lovers from our region.

This month our speaker will be Nancy Watson from Cherry Hill Garden, presenting "Cherry Hill 2025". Bob and Nancy started to grow daylilies in 2005 after they moved from a small city lot to a 1.7 acre property just north of Terre Haute. From twelve daylilies purchased at that time, their collection grew to over 1100. In 2008, Nancy decided to try her hand at hybridizing. The next year www.indianadaylilyirissociety.com

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339 seedlings were planted. Since that time, they have planted anywhere from 300 to 3400 seedlings each year. They registered their first three daylilies in 2018 with an additional 24 as of 2025. They like bright clear colors, especially orange, with eyes, teeth, and/or watermarks. Their daughter, Elissa, also has her own program which focuses on purple. She registered her first daylily in 2025. Join us as Nancy shares about recent directions in their hybridizing program.

The big event in June will be our Daylily Show, "Disco 'n Daylilies", on Saturday, June 28 at Avon Gardens. Set up will be from 8am-10:30am with judging beginning at 10:45am. The display will be open to the public from 1pm-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.

The Nominating Committee will make its report at our June meeting.

"Nominations may also be made from the floor at the June meeting; however, those nominees must be present at the meeting to accept the nomination." The slate will not be voted on until the August meeting.

It's not too late to register for the AHS Region 2 summer meeting, July 18-20, at Lafayette, "Back Home In Indiana". Heidi and Charles Douglas will be www.indianadaylilyirissociety.com

the speakers this year. There will be several gardens to tour along with judge's training for those who want it. Registration is \$159 until June 1, then jumps to \$179. IDIS will be selling daylilies and iris at the event. Might you have some time to volunteer at the event?

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 <yodermaust@gmail.com>

Heading out to eden





Red headed dragon muffin





# **2025 Registration Refund Qualifiers**

Peggy Allen
Greg Beavers
Tom Bohn
John Everitt
Rod Maust
Lezlie Myers
Laurel Richardson
Bob Siegman
Pat Siegman
Mary Lou Swann-Young
Mary Vinson
Janet Wilke



Mark your calendars to join us

## "BACK HOME IN INDIANA"



for the 2025

ADS Reg 2 Summer Meeting

July 18-20, 2025 in Lafayette, Indiana

At the Courtyard by Marriott Lafayette
150 Fairington Ave, Lafayette IN 47905

Click here to register

# **2025 IDIS EVENTS**

(All meetings 6:30 P. M. at Clermont Lions Club), 3201 N Tansel Rd Clermont, Indiana 46234, unless otherwise noted.)

## June 2-7, 2025

AIS National Convention Place: Billings, Montana

# Tuesday, June 3, 2024 IDIS Meeting

Program: Nancy Watson, Terre Haute, IN – Cherry Hill 2025

Time: 6:30pm

Place: Clermont Lions Club, 3201 N Tansel Rd, Clermont, Indiana 46234

# Saturday, June 28, 2025 Daylily Show

Avon Gardens, 6259 E County Rd 91 N, Avon, IN 46123

### Tuesday, July 1, 2025 IDIS Meeting

Program: Bill McKnight, Indianapolis, IN – Best Fragrant Plants for the Midwest Garden

Time: 6:30pm

Place: Clermont Lions Club, 3201 N Tansel Rd, Clermont, Indiana 46234

## July 9-12, 2025 Seattle, Washington

American Daylily Society National Convention

Place: Seattle, Washington

#### July 18-20,2025

American Daylily Society Region 2 Summer Meeting

Place: Lafayette, Indiana

## Tuesday, August 5, 2025 IDIS Meeting

Program: John Kinnebrew, Jr. – Scottsmoor, FL – Spacecoast Daylily Garden

Time: 6:30pm

Place: Clermont Lions Club, 3201 N Tansel Rd, Clermont, Indiana 46234

# Saturday, August 09, 2025

Annual Daylily-Iris Sale Setup: 8am Member buying: 9:45am Public buying:

10am-3pm

Place: Avon Gardens, 6259 E County Road 91 N, Avon, Indiana 46123

### Saturday, September 6, 2025 IDIS Picnic

Installation of Officers, Plant Exchange, NCAP Daylily Auction (Members & Guests only)

Time: Setup: 11:00am Lunch: 11:45am Auction: 12:30pm

Place: Clermont Lions Club, 3201 N Tansel Rd, Clermont, Indiana 46234

# Saturday, September 20, 2025

American Iris Society Region 6 Fall Meeting

Time: 10am – 4:30pm

Place: Noble County Library, 104 Ley Street, Avilla, Indiana 46710