



Indiana Daylily – Iris Society



March 2017 Newsletter

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Tuesday, March 7, 2017

Program: “Effective Methods for Controlling Moles” (Roger McCay)

& “Median Iris Rule Supreme in 2017” (Peggy Allen)

Time: 6:30

Place: First Friends Church parlor

Meetings will begin at 6:30 p.m. and end no later than 9:00 p.m.

Please Note:

If you change your mailing address or your email address, please send the information to both the Membership Chairman and the Newsletter Editor.

2X the FUN

We are having double the fun for the IDIS March Meeting. Roger McCay will be discussing effective methods for controlling moles and our own Peggy Allen will present a review of the median iris convention, **May 18 - 20, 2017.**

About Our Speaker

Roger McCay has been the president of the Bloomington based LDHS-Limestone Daylily & Hosta Society since 2011. Being more of an engineer than a gardener, he spends more time in engineering solutions to garden problems and controlling pests. His ‘favorite’ pest, and that of his neighbors is the mole, and so has become somewhat of a personal mission.

Light refreshments will be served. Our first meeting of the year is always a great time for fellowship, food, and flowers! Please join us...you deserve a winter break.

Greeting IDIS Members!

What a winter we've had with widely fluctuating temperatures. Will we have an early Spring this year? I'm looking forward to another good year with some exciting programs lined up covering both daylilies and iris. Some of our speakers will include Scott Elliott from Maneki Neko Gardens in Georgia, John Coble from Ensata Gardens in Michigan, and Charles & Cynthia Lucas from Amity Abloom in Ohio.

In addition, we will be one of the sponsoring clubs for the Median Iris Society Mini-Convention, "Medians Rule Supreme in 2017" on May 18-20 in Lafayette. As noted "more than 46 hybridizers have sent more than 278 varieties. This may be the best collection of Miniature Tall Bearded iris ever...54 cultivars from 21 hybridizers." The following link gives a nice explanation of the Median Iris category, <<https://theamericanirissociety.blogspot.com/2011/09/what-are-theymedian-iris.html>>. More information on the convention is available at www.medianiris.com/mis_conventions.html Our own Chuck Bunnell has been instrumental in planning this event.

We will be holding our meetings in the parlor at First Friends Church, 3030 Kessler Blvd, East Drive, Indianapolis. On the following link, <www.indyfriends.org>, scroll to the bottom of the page and click on "Enter, Friend". This will take you to the page with a map of their location. They are accessible on the east side from 465 and the 56th St exit (about 4 miles). From the north, one may use 465 and the Keystone exit (about 4 miles). From the west, one may take 56th St across town and it turns into Kessler Blvd (about 9 miles). Southside folks may want to take 465 East to the 56th St exit. We held our September pitch-in at the same location last year. Our programs will begin at 6:30 as in the past. We will be reviewing and approving the budget in March, so read the attached proposed budget and contact me or Tom Bohn if you have questions about a specific item.

We want to try using the Sullivan pavilion again this year for our Daylily Show, giving it a second chance to determine if this space will work. Because of the Median Iris Society Mini-Convention, we will not be holding our own Iris Show this year. Mary Lou has offered to do an informal show/judging at our June meeting of later blooming iris if there's an interest.

Finally a special thanks to Nancy Sutherland who has agreed to edit our newsletter this year! We are adding the newsletters to our website, so they can be easily found. Thanks again for your contributions and support of IDIS. Looking forward to seeing you all soon,
Rod Maust, President
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