

Indiana IDIS Newsletter



NEWS



President's message

Greetings Gardening Friends,

I hope everyone has been safe and healthy as we've faced new variants of the corona virus these past months.

What a wonderful time we had gathering at the Myers' homestead for our September auction. Many beautiful plants were available for purchase and from the free table. The free Doorakian daylilies we received three years ago had multiplied in abundance and most folks went home with one of his cultivars. Lynda Miller again sent iris rhizomes of her newest introductions that were auctioned. Lezlie's new greenhouse and gardens were delightful to see. Many thanks, Lezlie, for your gracious hosting!

Mary has been working diligently to get our speakers lined up for 2022. On Tuesday, March 1, we will hear Mike Homoya, a retired DNR botanist, present on "Ferns Of Indiana". He was a botanist and plant ecologist for the Indiana Department of Natural Resources Natural Heritage Program for 37 years prior to his retirement in 2019. He has written the book, **Wildflowers and Ferns of Indiana Forests: A Field Guide**. Expect to hear interesting information about Indiana's ferns and learn some new facts. Our monthly meetings will be held in the First Friends Church fellowship hall. Their Covid requirements are still in effect and **require the use of masks in the building**.

We will again have a free educational booth at the Indiana Flower & Patio Show, March 12-20. The show opens each day at 10am and usually closes at 7 or 8pm. Might you have four hours of time to volunteer at the booth? You get free admission and can visit the many other booths when you're not working. There will be a sign up sheet at our March meeting

There will be some changes in our schedule/events this year. Our May meeting will be the second Tuesday because of the primary election on the first Tuesday. The board decided to forgo a speaker in May since the NCAP daylily distribution is often quite lengthy. The Iris Show is scheduled for May 21 and we are still looking for an appropriate venue. The Daylily Show is scheduled for July 2 so folks may attend the AHS Region 10 summer meeting in Louisville, KY the prior weekend. The September meeting has been moved ahead to September 3 to avoid conflict with the Penrod Festival the following weekend. This year we be holding our August plant sale at the Sullivan store in Fishers.

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The main agenda item at the March meeting will be the review and approval of the 2022 budget which is attached. Please review this prior to the meeting and if you have any questions about a line item, contact Tom Bohn or me. Be sure to also look over the 2022 calendar of events as it includes both regional and national meetings which you may want to attend.

Despite the recent snow in February, Spring will be coming. What new blossoms will you see for the first time this year? Where will you find a spot for one more plant? Thanks for your support and participation in IDIS.

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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, March 1, 2022
Program: "Ferns Of Indiana"
(Mike Homoya, retired DNR botanist)

March 12-20
Indiana Flower & Patio Show
(Indiana State Fairgrounds)

Tuesday, April 5, 2022
Program: "The Ups And Downs Of Hybridizing"
(Charles Bunnell, Iris Hybridizer, Lafayette, IN)

April 11-16, 2022
American Iris Society National Convention

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(Las Cruces, NM)

Saturday, April 23, 2022
“Gardening For All Ages”, 9am-4pm
Hendricks County Master Gardener Show
(Hendricks County Fairgrounds)

Tuesday, May 10, 2022
No program, Distribution of NCAP daylilies
(Members only)

Saturday, May 21, 2022
IDIS Iris Show
Set-up: 8am-10:30am
Judging: 10:45am-12:45pm
Public Viewing: 1pm-4pm
(TBA)

May 27-28, 2022
American Iris Society Region 6 Spring Meeting
(Paw Paw, MI)

Tuesday, June 7, 2022
Program: TBA
(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
(Asheville, NC)

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

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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
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)