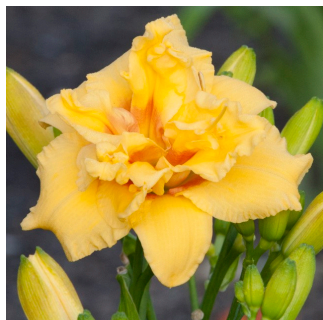


## Indiana IDIS Newsletter

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# NEWS



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### President's message

Greetings Gardening Friends,

I hope everyone has stayed healthy and safe during this winter season.

We again had a wonderful time at the Myers' homestead for our September meeting. Lynda Miller again sent her recent iris introductions which were auctioned. Since the NCAP iris were beardless, they were also distributed at this later meeting. There were many free plants to share. Thanks Lezlie for your gracious hosting!

Thanks to Tom Bohn and Mary Vinson for already representing our club this year at the January Master Gardener Spring Garden Clinic held at St Luke's United Methodist Church.

Mary has been working to line up our 2023 speakers and our March meeting will feature a presentation from the Hamilton County Master Gardeners entitled "Attracting Pollinators". Our meetings will be held in the First Friends Church fellowship hall where masks are now optional.

We will again have a free educational booth at the Indiana Flower & Patio Show, March 11-19. 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. If you have extra plastic bags we can use to for our customer's plants, please bring them along to the March meeting.

There will be some changes in our schedule/events this year. **1.** Our May meeting will be the second Tuesday because of the primary election on the first Tuesday. **2.** Greg will be buying the NCAP daylilies from Daylily World (Kirchhoff/Morss) and Thoroughbred Daylilies (John/Annette Rice). He will be attending the Region 7 iris meeting in mid May in KY and will pick up the daylilies after the convention. So this year the NCAP daylily distribution will be at our **June 6** meeting. The board decided to forgo a speaker in June since the NCAP daylily

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distribution is often quite lengthy. **3.** The September meeting will be on Saturday, Sept 2 and will be back at the First Friends Church fellowship hall with a pitch-in meal.

It's not too early to begin thinking about 2024. Laurel Richardson, Bret Clement, and Mary Vinson have agreed to serve on the Nominating Committee. Is there some position you might be willing to fill? Is there someone you might recommend or encourage?

The main agenda at the March meeting will be the review and approval of the 2023 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. A second agenda item to consider is the board recommendation that the Iris and Daylily Shows be on an alternating schedule rather than having both shows each year. It is suggested that we hold a Daylily Show this year and then an Iris Show next year with the pattern to continue thereafter. What are your thoughts on that? A third item of business will be consideration of hosting the AIS Region 6 Spring meeting in May, 2025. This would be a one day event that is revenue neutral. There could be guest plants as well as open gardens to visit. Participants would find their own lodging if they decided to come down earlier. Is this something the club would be willing to host? Might you be interested in helping host/plan such an event?

Be sure to also look over the 2023 calendar of events as it includes both regional and national meetings which you may want to attend.

Thanks again for your support and participation in IDIS. See you soon,

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# 2023 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 7, 2023**

**Program: “Attracting Pollinators”, (Hamilton County Master Gardeners)**

Time: 6:30 P.M.

Place: First Friends Church

3030 Kessler Blvd., East Drive, Indianapolis

**March 11-19**—Flower & Patio Show booth, State Fairgrounds

**April 1**—Boone County Gardenfest booth, Boone County Fairgrounds

**Tuesday, April 4, 2023**

**Program: “Show Judging of Beardless Iris”, (Jody Nolin, Rushsylvania, OH)**

Time: 6:30 P.M.

Place: First Friends Church

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**April 12-16**—AIS National Convention, Grapevine, TX

**April 29, 9am-4pm**—Hendricks County Master Gardener booth, Danville, IN

**Tuesday, May 9, 2023**

**Program: “Keeping Ogden Station On The Map One Daylily At A Time”**

**(Jerry Marlatt, Ogden Station Daylilies, Blissfield, MI)**

Time: 6:30 P.M.

Place: First Friends Church

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**June 2-3**—AIS Region 6 Spring meeting, Lansing, MI

**Tuesday, June 6, 2023**

**Program: NCAP distribution (Members only)**

Time: 6:30 P.M.

Place: First Friends Church

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**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: TBA

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

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**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: TBA

**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