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Indiana Daylily – Iris Society



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May 2018 Newsletter

Website:

www.indianadaylilyirissociety.com

Greeting IDIS friends,

Will this weather ever settle down? Despite it all, the iris and daylilies seem to be growing. Hope you enjoyed the presentation by David and Mort last month. This month we'll have an iris speaker, Chad Harris, from Washington. See information about his talk elsewhere in the newsletter.

This month will also be the daylily NCAP distribution with plants from Karol Emerich. Be sure to visit our website <www.indianadaylilyirissociety.org> to see the flowers that will be coming. If you click on the flower name, it will take you directly to her own pictures and description.

The membership did approve the bylaw change at the April meeting, eliminating the Membership Chair and including those responsibilities under the Corresponding Secretary. The Nominating Committee this year will be chaired by Barb Bunnell, and also include Linda Sutter, Jeff and Nancy Barnett. If you have suggestions for next year's officers, be sure to talk with one of them.

Don't forget our Iris Show on May 19 at the Sullivan Hardware and Garden pavilion. The theme this year is "American the Beautiful". Even if you've never entered the iris show in the past, bring some of your flow-

ers. Everyone is a winner because you share your flowers, and we get to enjoy them with you! It's a chance to show the public the wide range of iris.

Thanks for your support of IDIS,
Rod Maust, President
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About Our Speaker

"Water Lovers of Asia"

Chad Harris of Mt Pleasant Iris Farm in Washougal, WA will be our speaker on Tuesday, May 1 at 6:30. Chad has been growing many different species of irises in southwest Washington for over 35 years. He is known for his work with *Iris ensata* (Japanese iris, Hanashobu) of which several of his introductions hold national awards. Currently he and a handful of hybridizers worldwide are using *Iris ensata* to create a new iris hybrid called "Pseudata" that is longer blooming and more tolerant of cultural needs. He has also started to work with an Asian water species: *Iris laevigata* (Kakitsubata in Japan) the true water iris of Asia. These plants of the iris family are very well suited growing near water, some in the water as pond plants, in rain gardens, as well as patio containers.

Please join us for this program on current iris developments.

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2018 IDIS EVENTS

(all meetings 6:30 P.M. at First Friends Church (parlor) 3030 Kessler Blvd., East Drive, Indianapolis, unless otherwise noted)

Tuesday, May 1, 2018

Program: "Water Lovers of Asia"

(Chad Harris, Mt. Pleasant Iris Farm, Washougal, WA)

Saturday, May 19, 2018

IDIS Iris Show

Set-up: 8:00am-10:30am

Judging: 10:45am-12:45pm

Public Viewing: 1:00pm-4:00pm

(Sullivan Hardware & Garden pavilion)

June 1-2, 2018

American Iris Society Region 6 Spring Meeting

(Lansing, MI)

Tuesday, June 5, 2018

Program: "Iris"

(Lynda Miller, Miller Manor Gardens, Canby, OR)

June 6-9, 2018

American Hemerocallis Society National Convention

(Myrtle Beach, SC)

Saturday, June 30, 2018

IDIS Daylily Show

Set-up: 8:00am-10:30am

Judging: 10:45am-12:45pm

Public Viewing: 1:00pm-4:00pm

(Sullivan Hardware & Garden pavilion)

Tuesday, August 7, 2018

Program: "Bearded Daylilies & More"

(David Robinson, Bloomington, IL)

Saturday, August 18, 2018

IDIS Annual Daylily/Iris Sale

Set-up: 8am

Member buying: 9:45am

Public buying: 10:00am-3:00pm

(Sullivan Hardware & Garden)

Saturday, September 8, 2018

“Annual Pitch-In”, “Plant Exchange”

& NCAP Daylily Auction

Set-up: 9:30 A.M.; Auction: 10:30 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.

Lunch will follow

First Friends Church (hall)

Saturday, October 6, 2018

Program: Karol Emmerich (Springwood Gardens, Jordan, MN)

Awards Banquet & Installation of Officers

Noon lunch with program to follow

(Library Restaurant & Pub, 2610 S Lynhurst Drive, Indianapolis)

Red font indicates local events

Black font indicates regional/national events