Indiana IDIS Newsletter







President's message

Greetings Gardening Friends,

What an interesting presentation we had from Chuck Bunnell on his hybridizing program in April. He also noted their downsizing and planned move later this year. We wish Chuck and Barb the best in their journey!

This month will be the time for the NCAP daylily distribution. It will be on the second Tuesday (May 10) since First Friends Church will be hosting a voting site for the primary election on May 3. It sometimes can be lengthy so the board decided to not have a formal speaker at the May meeting this year. Greg Beavers has already ordered our plants from Paul Owen (Slightly Different Nursery) and they are listed on our website http://indianadaylilyirissociety.org/NCAP_Daylily_2022.html Please take some time to look over the list and make your selections prior to the meeting so you'll have your choices ready. See the attached list of qualified members. Remember that you must also be a member of the American Daylily Society (https://daylilies.org/) to be in the first round of drawings.

Our Iris Show will be coming up this month on Saturday, May 21 at Newfields. The show schedule will be available as well as flower labels at our May meeting. For those who are volunteering or exhibiting, entry badges will be available for free entry. Newfields expects large crowds in May as the Van Gogh exhibit draws to a close. This will be a wonderful opportunity to educate the public about iris and our club. Please consider bringing some iris to exhibit in order to make our show a success.

We had a successful booth at the Hendricks County Master Gardener show on April 23. Despite the snow and fluctuating weather, I had one small iris that was blooming that I was able to take along. We gained one dual membership--welcome to Ellen & Mike! We had 19 varieties of iris and 9 varieties of daylilies that were all potted and sold out. Thanks to all who donated plants and volunteered time at the booth. The Johnson County Garden Club will have their annual program on May 7. Please see the attached flyer on that event.

Don't forget the Nominating Committee and their work. If you have ideas of someone you think would be a good board member please let Laurel, Bret, or Gene know. Might you even consider volunteering yourself?

It is with sadness that we were informed the Iris Growers of Eastern Indiana (IGEI), which met in Muncie, has disbanded. They did donate \$400 from their assets to IDIS which we appreciate. I hope those iris growers can still find ways to enjoy the iris flower with other likeminded folks.

As always, we'll have a place for free items at our May 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

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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, 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 (Ashville, NC)

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

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)