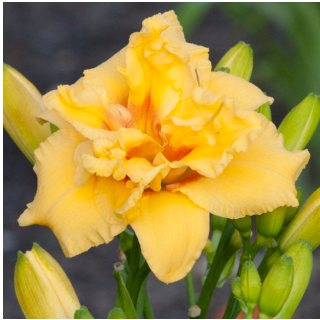


# Indiana IDIS Newsletter

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## President's message

Greetings Gardening Friends,

Wow, what a great Iris Show we had at the Harrison Center in connection with their other First Friday events. There were over 150 flower stalks exhibited along with 12 floral displays. Everything was blooming two weeks earlier than last year, so there were plenty of flowers available for display. Chuck Bunnell won Best of Show with a beautiful stalk of Talkin' Smack, hybridized by former IDIS club member, Lynda Miller. There was a steady stream of visitors during the evening who expressed much interest in the irises. Special thanks to Barb and Chuck for organizing the event and the many volunteers and exhibitors who made it a success! Some folks thought it was one of the best Iris Shows that IDIS has ever held. Several visitors returned at the end of the show requesting iris bouquets to take home.

The very next day, several members set up our booth at the Johnson County Master Gardener event and sold lots of plants with many folks eager for spring.

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This month we will be meeting on the second Tuesday of the month, May 12, at Bill Stephens' homestead in Pittsboro. There will be no speaker as we will be doing the NCAP daylily distribution. Lezlie already has the list of cultivars from our own Bret Clement, as well as Steven Franklin and Elaine Seifert. Please look over the list prior to the meeting and make your selections so that the distribution can move along. The flowers are shown on our website [https://indianadaylilyirissociety.org/NCAP\\_Daylily\\_2026.html](https://indianadaylilyirissociety.org/NCAP_Daylily_2026.html). If you click on the name, it will take you to the AHS description of the flower. The list of NCAP qualifying members is attached to this newsletter. Remember you must also be a member of AHS to make a selection in the first round of drawings.

The American Iris Society Region 6 Spring meeting will be May 29-30 over in Richfield, OH, near Cleveland. There's still time to register if you're interested in attending.

Special thanks to Laurel Richardson who arranges all of the overnight lodging for our speakers and judges when necessary. She also audited our financial records for 2025 and found them in good order.

As always, we'll have a place for free plants and garden items. If you're working in the garden and have an extra plant, consider bringing it along to share with others.

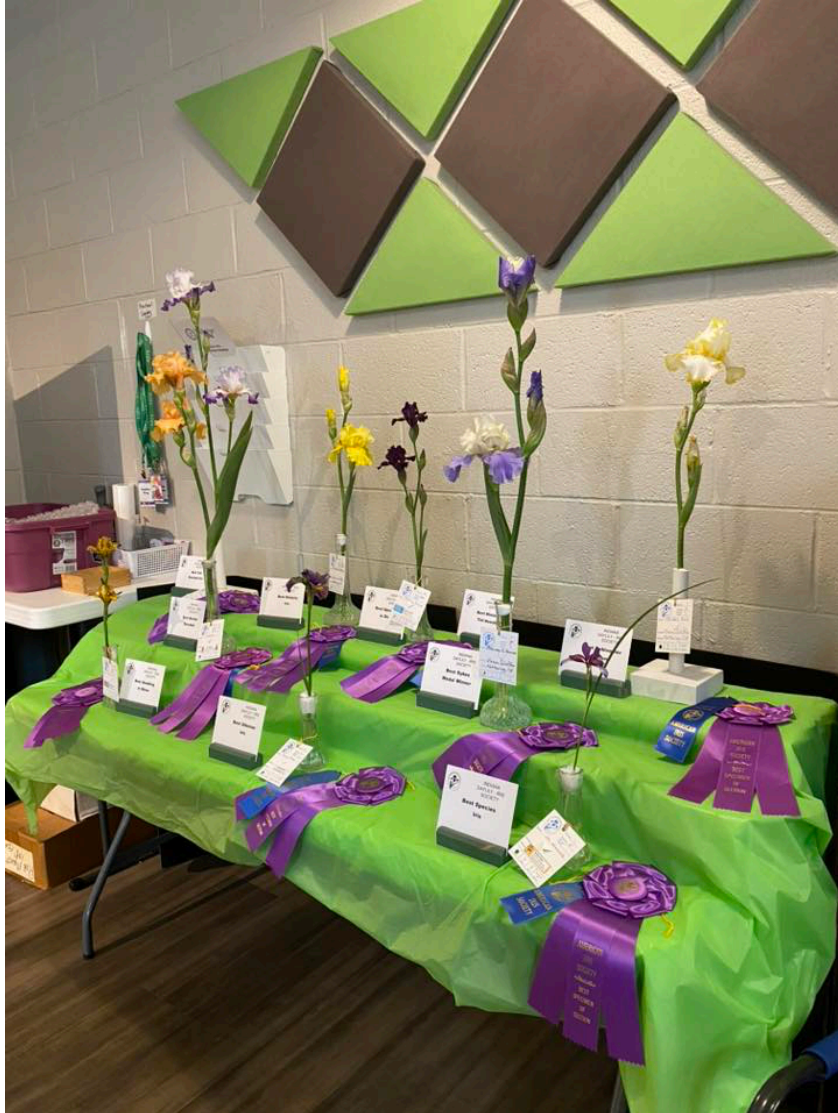
Thanks for your support of IDIS! Your active participation is what keeps the club going.

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Rod Maust, IDIS president  
<yodermaust@gmail.com>

## Iris Show

A huge thank you to all who participated in the Iris Show today. Barb and **Chuck Bunnell** won best of show with Talking Smack, a miniature tall bearded by **Lynda Miller**. The best design was exhibited by Dan Howell. Sweepstakes winner for design category was **Peggy Harger-Allen** and sweepstakes winner for the individual horticultural entries was Rod Maust.





## Facebook and Instagram

Stay in touch on social media with our interactive Facebook page and Instagram . You can share your flowers or comment too!

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## 2026 IDIS Schedule of Events

(All meetings 6:30 P. M. at Clermont Lions Club), 3201 N Tansel Rd  
Clermont, Indiana 46234 , unless otherwise noted.)

Tuesday, May 12, 2026

Program: NCAP daylily distribution (members only)

Time: 6:30pm ET

**Place: Bill Stephens homestead, 9641 N CR 550 E Pittsboro, IN 46167**

May 18-23, 2026

American Iris Society National Convention, Newark, New Jersey

May 20-23, 2026

American Daylily Society National Convention, Valdosta, Georgia

May 29-30, 2026

American Iris Society Region 6 Spring meeting, Richfield, OH

Tuesday, June 2, 2026

Program: "My Adventures With The Daylily", (Nikki Schmith, Worden, IL)

Time: 6:30pm ET

Place: Clermont Lions Club, 3201 Tansel Rd, Clermont, IN

Tuesday, July 7, 2026

Program: "Beardless Iris", (Jody Nolin, Rushsylvania, OH)

Time: 6:30pm ET

Place: Clermont Lions Club, 3201 Tansel Rd, Clermont, IN

July 17-19, 2026

American Daylily Society Region 2 Summer meeting, Madison, WI

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Tuesday, August 4, 2026

Program: "Endless Spring: Extending Your Daffodil Season", (Lisa Kuduk, Winchester, KY)

Time: 6:30pm ET

Place: Clermont Lions Club, 3201 Tansel Rd, Clermont, IN

Saturday, August 8, 2026

Annual Daylily/Iris Plant Sale

Set-up: 8am

Member buying: 9:45am

Public buying: 10am-3pm

Place: Dammann's Garden Center, 4914 Rockville Rd, Indianapolis, IN

Saturday, September 5, 2026

Installation of Officers, Plant Exchange, & NCAP Daylily Auction  
(Members and guests only)

Set-up: 11:00am

Lunch: 11:45am

Auction: 12:30pm

Place: Zupan homestead, Avon, IN

Saturday, September 19, 2026

American Iris Society Region 6 Fall meeting, Avilla, IN