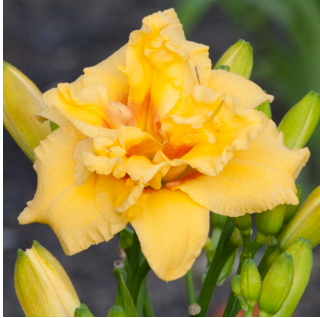


Indiana IDIS Newsletter



NEWS



President's message

Greetings Gardening Friends,

I hope you all enjoyed the March presentation by the Hancock County Master Gardeners on pollinators. They spoke about different aspects of pollination, a few key pollinators, habitats that attract these pollinators, ways to protect the Monarch Butterfly, and gave information on some common Indiana woodland spring plants.

This month we will hear from Jody Nolin from rural northwest Ohio, presenting "Show Judging of Beardless Iris". Jody is the former president of the American Iris Society (AIS) and is currently AIS Affiliate Chair and Regional Judges Chair. She grows around 400 well-mulched beardless and species iris as well as a smattering of tall bearded and median bearded iris. She is particularly interested in integrating iris into perennial beds. She will be covering the similarities between bearded and beardless iris as well as those characteristics desirable in beardless iris. Her presentation will qualify as judge's training credit.

At our March meeting we did approve the proposed budget for 2023. The membership also approved the board's recommendation to hold our flower shows on an alternating schedule. This year we will hold a Daylily Show on July 1 and in 2024 we will hold an Iris Show, with the alternating pattern to continue thereafter. The membership also approved hosting the 2025 AIS Region 6 Spring meeting. Please consider ways you might be willing to help with that one day event. Both the Daylily Show and our annual plant sale will be at Avon Gardens, Avon, IN this year. They have been very gracious in working with us in planning.

We had another successful year at the Flower & Patio Show. Many folks stopped by to talk about flowers and we gained six new members. Special thanks to those of you who potted up plants last fall. We sold 200+ plants this year with over 100 varieties of flowers, earning around \$1600 for the club. A big thanks to all who volunteered to staff the booth!

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Lezlie Myers and Peggy Harger-Allen will be staffing our booth at the Boone County Master Gardener Show on Saturday, April 1. The Hendricks County Master Gardener show will be on Saturday, April 29. If you would like to volunteer at this show, please let me know. If any of you have potted plants that could be sold, please bring them to our April meeting. Our supply of potted plants is quite low now because of the success of the Flower & Patio Show.

As you are working in the garden this spring and have extra plants, bring them along to the April meeting to share with others in the free exchange.

Thanks again for your support of IDIS,

Rod Maust, IDIS president

Hello Fellow IDIS Members,

As of today, Friday, traffic on Keystone Ave at 75th st(the White River) is down to one lane. Prepare for delays

Join our speaker for dinner at Panera 6055 North Keystone Avenue at 5pm on Tuesday.

Lastly, if you have any plastic gardening pots that you want to get rid of , please bring them to the meeting!

See you Tuesday!!

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

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

3030 Kessler Blvd., East Drive, Indianapolis

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

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

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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

3030 Kessler Blvd., East Drive, Indianapolis

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

3030 Kessler Blvd., East Drive, Indianapolis

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

Tuesday, August 1

Program: “Louisiana Iris: Taming An American Wildflower”

(Steve Poole, Eldorado, IL)

Time: 6:30 P.M.

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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