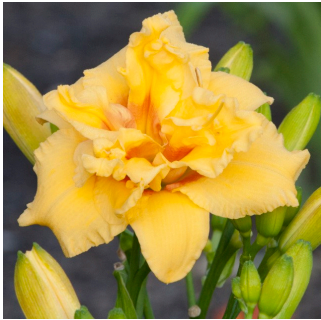


Indiana IDIS Newsletter



NEWS



President's message

Greetings Gardening Friends

What a jump in weather we've had with record breaking warmth followed by freezing temperatures. Despite the fluctuations, the early spring bulbs are already showing some green tips...spring is coming.

Thanks to Mary Vinson and Tom Bohn who already set up our display at the February Master Gardener Spring Garden Clinic at St Luke's United Methodist Church.

The important news this year is the change in our meeting location to the Clermont Lions Club at 3201 Tansel Rd, Clermont, IN 46234 https://www.google.com/maps/place/Clermont+Lions+Park/@39.8111205,-86.3199324,17z/data=!3m1!4b1!4m6!3m5!1s0x886ca93d20638411:0xa4c393e677ce6c67!8m2!3d39.8111205!4d-86.3199324!16s%2Fg%2F1thfg5m_?entry=ttu&g_ep=EgoyMDI1MDIwNS4xIKXMDS0ASAFQAw%3D%3D

Greg Beavers reviewed the addresses of our members which revealed that most of our members live on the west or north side of Indianapolis. In an attempt to make it easier for folks to attend, the board decided to try this west side location. We will need to set up the chairs and put them away when we're done. Might you come a bit early to help with the set up? We may use their outdoor pavilion for our NCAP distribution and our September NCAP www.indianadaylilyirissociety.com

auction. Hopefully more of our members will be able to attend at this location. We will evaluate the location again at the end of the year and welcome your input.

Laurel Richardson has lined up some great speakers for 2025. Our opening speaker on **Tuesday, March 4 at 6:30pm** will be a former member, Lynda Miller. Over 18 years ago the Millers (2006 Roger, 2007 Lynda and Nathan) left the long, cold, and dreary winters of Indiana to pursue the dream of living in plant heaven, Oregon. Lynda is a longtime iris hybridizer, having introduced over 250 iris. Her introduction, Football Hero, won the Dykes Medal in 2022, the highest award from the American Iris Society. She specializes in Miniature Tall Bearded and Tall Bearded Iris. True Miniature Dwarf Bearded iris are also a favorite project. Her iris garden is limited to nearly an acre with her TB seedlings being forced off-site for their maiden bloom. Space limits the collection to approximately 600 registered varieties and 300+ selected seedlings in the valuation process. The iris are grown in long rows to allow for cultivation and are all dug each year with only 2 or 3 rhizomes per variety retained. Currently nearly all dwarf and median seedlings make their first appearance in the home garden. Lynda's introductions are available at [Mid-America Gardens](#). Please join us as she shares about current developments in iris hybridizing.

We will again have a free educational booth at the Indiana Flower & Patio Show, March 15-23. 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? This is a qualifying volunteer activity toward our NCAP and Registration Refund programs. 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.

There are some things to note this year. **1.** We will have a Daylily Show on Saturday, June 28 at Avon Gardens. There will be no Iris Show this year. **2.** The NCAP daylily distribution will be at our May 13 meeting. There will not be a speaker that evening. Lezlie is ordering plants from Brown's Ferry Gardens (Heidi and Charles Douglas). **3.** Our Iris NCAP distribution will be at our August meeting. Peggy is ordering plants from Mid-America Gardens. **4.** We will again hold our August plant sale at Avon Gardens. **5.** We are fortunate

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this year to have both the American Iris Society Region 6 and the American Daylily Society Region 2 spring/summer meetings held at nearby Lafayette. I hope you're all able to take advantage of this opportunity to attend. (See attached AIS registration form.)

It's not too early to begin thinking about 2026. Mary Vinson, Nancy Sutherland, and Linda Sutter 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? Would you have an interest in shadowing a current board member to see what a position might involve?

The main business item at the March meeting will be the review and approval of the 2025 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.

The preliminary lists of NCAP and Registration Refund members are also attached. Please review these lists to check your status. **Don't forget to sign the attendance sheet at each meeting.**

There will again be a free table at each meeting so if you have extra plants or plant items, feel free to bring them along to share with others.

Thanks again for your support of IDIS,
Rod Maust, IDIS president
yodermaust@gmail.com

Region 6 Spring Meeting

May 16-17, 2025 Frankfort, Indiana Host: Indiana Daylily-Iris Society (IDIS)

Hotel: Make your reservation directly with the La Quinta, Frankfort, IN. Phone: 765-659-4400. Ask the motel team for Region 6 Iris meeting rate at the time of booking. Rooms are at a special rate of \$101.00 per night for double and \$91.00 for a single.

Accommodations For Friday May 16, 2025:
La Quinta motel, 2150 W Holiday Rd, Frankfort, IN 46041-9102 Phone: 765-659-4400
Saturday Breakfast is included with this reservation.

Friday, May 16, 2025: Registration at motel and at speaker venue.
Speaker: Adam Cordes, hybridizer from Hillman, MI.
Dinner at 6pm followed by program.
Venue: Iron Block Hub - 2 miles from motel

Clinton County Chamber of Commerce, 62 N. Main St., Frankfort, IN 46041

Saturday, May 17, 2025

Guest Iris Garden 10am-4pm - by own transportation - 10 miles from motel
Gregg and Linda Sutter's garden, 765-491-2434
10547 US 52 S
Clarks Hill, IN 47930

Garden Events: 132 guest iris, 100 median iris bed, and reblooming iris bed
Coffee, snacks, and lunch to be served in the garden.
In-garden Judges Trainings (4)
Auction with meeting concluding after auction.

Maps of additional iris gardens to view on Friday on the way in or Saturday on the way home will be provided with registration or available on Region 6 website: [https://aisregion6.weebly.com/more- info.html](https://aisregion6.weebly.com/more-info.html)
Questions: Regional chairperson: Peggy Harger-Allen, 317-260-0257 or dpmallen52@gmail.com

REGISTRATION FORM

Name(s)

1. _____

2. _____

_____ Email: _____

_____ Phone: _____

_____ Please indicate if you will be taking Garden Judges
Training? _____ Number of people _____ **Full Registration:**
\$60.00 _____ (how many?) _____

Required except for youth members (under age 19) whose registration is
free. Number of Youth Members: __ **Saturday only: \$40.00**
_____ (how many?) _____

Please mark your choice for lunch: Meat _____ or Vegetarian

Total: \$ _____

Mail the form and check made out to IDIS no later than Saturday May 10th
to: Barb Bunnell, Registrar, 10258 E. 975 N, Otterbein, IN 47970
store130@aol.com or 765-491-0351

2025 IDIS EVENTS

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

Tuesday, March 4, 2025 IDIS Meeting

Program: Lynda Miller, Camby, Oregon – Hybridizing by Lynda Miller

Time: 6:30pm

Place: Clermont Lions Club, 3201 N Tansel Rd, Clermont, Indiana 46234

March 15-23, 2025

Indiana Flower and Patio Show, Indiana State Fairgrounds, Indianapolis, Indiana

Tuesday, April 1, 2025 IDIS Meeting

Program: Peggy Harger-Allen - Japanese Iris (judges training available)

Time: 6:30pm

Place: Clermont Lions Club, 3201 N Tansel Rd, Clermont, Indiana 46234

Saturday, April 26, 2025

Hendricks County Master Gardener Fair

Time: 9am -4pm

Place: Hendricks County Fairgrounds, 8 West Main Street, Danville, Indiana 46122

Saturday, May 3, 2025

Johnson County Garden Celebration

Time: 9am – 3pm

Place: Johnson County Fairgrounds, 250 Fairground Street, Franklin, Indiana 46131

Tuesday, May 13, 2025 IDIS Meeting

Program: NCAP Daylily Distribution – Members Only – No Speaker

Time: 6:30pm

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Place: Clermont Lions Club, 3201 N Tansel Rd, Clermont, Indiana 46234

Friday - Saturday, May 16-17, 2025

American Iris Society Region 6 Spring Meeting

Place: Frankfort, Indiana

June 2-7, 2025

AIS National Convention

Place: Billings, Montana

Tuesday, June 3, 2024 IDIS Meeting

Program: Nancy Watson, Terre Haute, IN – Cherry Hill 2025

Time: 6:30pm

Place: Clermont Lions Club, 3201 N Tansel Rd, Clermont, Indiana 46234

Saturday, June 28, 2025 Daylily Show

Avon Gardens, 6259 E County Rd 91 N, Avon, IN 46123

Tuesday, July 1, 2025 IDIS Meeting

Program: Bill McKnight, Indianapolis, IN – Best Fragrant Plants for the Midwest Garden

Time: 6:30pm

Place: Clermont Lions Club, 3201 N Tansel Rd, Clermont, Indiana 46234

July 9-12, 2025 Seattle, Washington

American Daylily Society National Convention

Place: Seattle, Washington

July 18-20, 2025

American Daylily Society Region 2 Summer Meeting

Place: Lafayette, Indiana

Tuesday, August 5, 2025 IDIS Meeting

Program: John Kinnebrew, Jr. – Scottsmoor, FL – Spacecoast Daylily Garden

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Time: 6:30pm

Place: Clermont Lions Club, 3201 N Tansel Rd, Clermont, Indiana 46234

Saturday, August 09, 2025

Annual Daylily-Iris Sale Setup: 8am Member buying: 9:45am Public buying:
10am-3pm

Place: Avon Gardens, 6259 E County Road 91 N, Avon, Indiana 46123

Saturday, September 6, 2025 IDIS Picnic

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

Time: Setup: 11:00am Lunch: 11:45am Auction: 12:30pm

Place: Clermont Lions Club, 3201 N Tansel Rd, Clermont, Indiana 46234

Saturday, September 20, 2025

American Iris Society Region 6 Fall Meeting

Time: 10am – 4:30pm

Place: Noble County Library, 104 Ley Street, Avilla, Indiana 46710