



Society News



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Hope everyone had a safe and happy holiday season. Now that the Christmas decorations are put away for another year, it is time to start planning for a great bloom season in 2018. Can you believe it is only 6 weeks until it will be time to start our Spring fertilizing program for the irises? Wow!!!

Our next meeting will be January 13th at the United Cooperative Services community room, 3309 N. Main in Cleburne beginning at 10:00 a.m. We will kick off 2018 by learning how to judge daylilies **in the garden**. These classes are usually given only at Regional and National conventions, so we are lucky to be hosting these classes at our local club. This month will be the classroom lessons and in June, we will have the “in garden” portion of the training with a fieldtrip to Dan and Peggy

Cathey’s daylily garden in Covington.

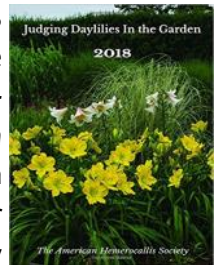
These classes will benefit everyone because you will be learning how to evaluate the entire plant, not just the pretty face. This will help you not only with growing and evaluating daylilies, but also with a new way to look at your irises and other plants in your garden. In the class, you will learn a little history about the daylily and the American Hemerocallis Society, the different daylily awards that only you as an accredited Daylily Garden Judge may vote for (including the top award a



daylily can earn—the Stout Silver Medal). You will also learn, among other things, Garden Etiquette—what to do and not do when visiting the gardens of others.



This month, AHS is launching the new **2018 Judging Daylilies in the Garden** which is available for purchase now from Amazon.com for \$9.99, or you may download for free from the AHS Members Only Portal (available later this month). This is a 51 page color handbook that all Daylily Garden Judges should have in their library.



The Brazosport Daylily Society will host the 2018 AHS Region 6 Annual Meeting **Beautiful Brazosport in Bloom** May 17-19, in Lake Jackson. Hope many of you will plan on attending. You will have a chance to tour some of the most beautiful Daylily gardens in the state. You will not be disappointed.

Officer and Committee Chair Reports

Membership Report

by Anita Goodale



The Johnson County Iris & Daylily Society met for their monthly meeting and annual Christmas luncheon and gift exchange on Saturday, December 9, 2017. Twenty-one members and guest, Steve Barter, enjoyed fun, food and fellowship. The gift exchange activity this year, **December Dice Game**, replaced the usual Chinese Gift Exchange Game and provided all attendees lots of fun and laughs. Randy Thomas was the lucky winner of both the AIS and AHS membership drawings. We have 1 new member—please welcome our great friend Tom Burseen to our club.

Treasury Report

by Dan Cathey



December 2017 began with a combined account balance of \$4,689.65 from: checking - \$4,405.00, PayPal - \$184.65 and petty cash of \$100.00. Monthly disbursements for December were: Peggy Cathey, reimbursements for newsletter expenses (Oct, Nov, Dec) \$56.16, plant sale and printing expenses \$30.56; Christmas donations to Operation Blessing \$150.00 and Family Crisis Center \$150.00; and Bonnie Parks, reimbursement for purchase of funeral flowers for Ms. Billie Harris \$83.30. Monthly Income totaled \$30.00 from calendar & plant marker sales and membership dues. PayPal expenses were: AHS memberships for Vickie Rigby, Randy Thomas and 5 youth memberships - \$110.00; AIS member-

ships for Bill and Anita Goodale (dual) and Randy Thomas-\$65.00. Ending account balances were: checking - \$3,964.98, PayPal - \$19.65 and petty cash - \$100.00 for a total of \$4,084.63.

Hospitality Report

by Gailmae Suite



Our club's Christmas Potluck luncheon was excellent with a plentiful array of food. Thank you Kathy Wade for making a delicious turkey, ham and gravy—Yummm...Another big thank you to Jerry Keeth for taking the time to run out to get a much needed bag of ice. This is something that is needed at every meeting so it would be a big help if SOMEONE would sign up to bring a bag of ice each month. Those who did sign in the book for January are: Sweets-Goodales, Keeths and Sue Ripley. Non-sweet -Vickie Rigby, Gisele McCurdy, Diana Medrano and Randy Thomas. Drinks—Laura Smargiasso. The Goodmans will bring their wonderful rolls and Wayne and I will bring coffee, soda, chips and pasta.

Reblooming Iris Report

by Gailmae Suite



Before the hard freeze in early December, many of us were fortunate to have irises reblooming in our gardens. Suffering from a bad head cold, I was not able to get mine covered, so I was delighted to discover a few days later that my irises closest to our home were not damaged. Reblooming in members' gardens were: Diana Medrano-**Autumn Tryst**; Cathey's-**Again and Again**,

Say Okay, Chartered Course, Autumn Tryst, Buckwheat, His Royal Highness and Lunar Whitewash; Gisele McCurdy-Chartered Course; Vickie Rigby-Autumn Tryst, Buckwheat, My Friend Jonathan, Priscilla of Corinth, Victoria Falls, Living Legacy and Clarence; Suite's-Autumn Explosion, Ocean Pacific, Triple Dip, Mariposa Skies, Glazed Gold, Billionaire, Lo Ho Silver, Lady Essex, Swimming Hole and Josephs Mantle



Again and Again



Autumn Explosion



Autumn Tryst



Billionaire



Buckwheat



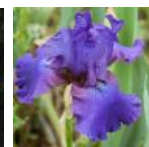
Chartered Course



Clarence



Glazed Gold



His Royal Highness



Joseph's Mantle



Lady Essex



Living Legacy



Lo Ho Silver (IB)



Lunar Whitewash



Mariposa Skies



My Friend Jonathan



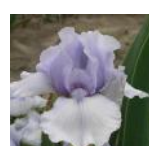
Priscilla of Corinth



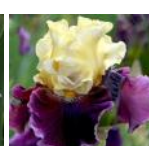
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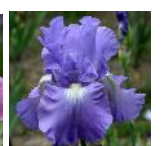
Say Okay



Swimming Hole (IB)



Triple Dip



Victoria Falls



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and articles are
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Meetings held 2nd Saturdays at 10 a.m.

United Cooperative Services
Community Room (in rear of bldg.)

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Join JCI&DS today!

Only \$15 per year (\$25 per couple, \$10 for youth). You may join at a meeting, download membership form from our website, or send a check with your name, address, phone number and e-mail address to:

JCI&DS Membership
425 Granbury St.
Cleburne, TX 76033



January 13, 2018 10 a.m.
Daylily Garden Judging Class by Peggy & Dan Cathey
United Cooperative Services Community Room

February 10, 2018 10 a.m.
Program to be announced
United Cooperative Services Community Room

March 10, 2018 10 a.m.
Iris and Design Preparation
United Cooperative Services Community Room

April 9-14, 2018
American Iris Society National Convention
New Orleans, LA.

April 21, 2018
Annual Iris Show
JN Long Cultural Arts Complex

May 12, 2018
Program to be announced
United Cooperative Services Community Room

May 17-19, 2018
AHS Region 6 Annual Meeting & Garden Tours
Lake Jackson, TX

June 6-9, 2018
American Hemerocallis Society National Convention
Myrtle Beach, SC

Check out our website:

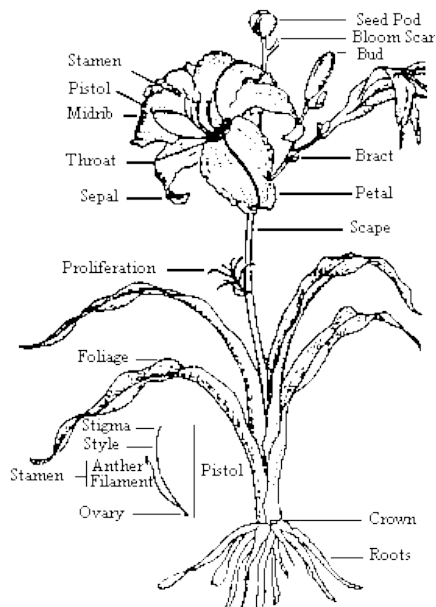
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