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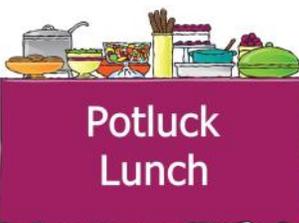
August, 2019



It's that time of year again. Our annual Potluck Luncheon to kick off the new club year and everyone's favorite—BINGO for Irises and Daylilies. Please take note of the new **DATE, TIME, and PLACE**. The date has been changed to **August 17** due to our regular meeting day being the same day as the AIS Region 17 Annual Meeting being held in Weather-

ford, August 9-10. The Place has been changed to the **J.N. Long Cultural Arts Cafeteria**, and the time will be **NOON**.

Everyone is asked to bring a covered dish for the luncheon and



at least 3 irises and or daylilies to use as

Bingo prizes. All are invited to play and everyone goes home a winner!



Meet Your New JCI&DS President by Brian Goodman



In 2000, I began a business that had been my dream for several years. Of course, choosing the right pallet of plants can mean success or failure. Within a couple of months of opening, a dear old lady approached me to sell some of her home-grown plants in 1-gallon containers. The lady was Bobbie Johnson and the plant (of course) was iris. Quickly we sold out of stock, and Bobbie resupplied me. She invited me to see her garden on Grand Street and showed me her collection of Dykes Medal winners as well as hundreds of other varieties. Bobbie (always a promoter)

invited me to attend a Johnson County Iris and Daylily Society meeting. She explained the benefits of membership and the comradery between the members. Because Saturday was our busiest business day, I wouldn't attend a meeting for three years. But when Janet and I were finally able to attend, we both enjoyed the meeting and joined that day. Well, as you know, Bobbie has gone on, but her spirit and love for iris was passed on to me and Janet.

So now, Johnson County Iris and Daylily Society begins a new fiscal year. It will be my honor to serve the club as President. The structure of the club is sound and

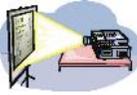
those in positions of responsibility are super smart about getting things done. Some of the procedures are somewhat new to me, but the capable officers that have served this last year are slowly getting me started in the daily operation of the Johnson County Iris and Daylily Society.

Remember, the "club" is made up of all of us who share the love of the iris and daylily. It is we who get to share our passion with friends and neighbors, bringing them to our meetings and passing along the joys that we get to share just as Bobbie Johnson shared with me.



Officer and Committee Chair Reports

1st VP Program Chair Report by Mary Keeth



We had beautiful irises for our July Iris Giveaway and Auction. I have all of mine potted and in the shade until cooler weather in late September/October. I would like to thank Glenn for being our great auctioneer.

Plans are already being made for our October Daylily Giveaway and Auction. An order has been placed with Shaw's Sunshine Gardens and Vicki is working with Hillcrest Gardens to get daylilies from them.

This month is Bingo! Please bring 3 irises and or daylilies for our Bingo prizes. Don't forget the Party begins at NOON with a Pot-Luck luncheon.

Our big Annual Plant Sale will be held September 14th in the cafeteria of the JN Long Cultural Arts Complex, and in November, we will have a program on **Fall Gardening With Irises** which will include how to prepare new garden beds and how to grow Reblooming Irises.

2nd VP-Membership Chair Report by Anita Goodale



JCI&DS met for our regular monthly meeting on July 13, in the conference room of the United Cooperative Services building. Twenty-one members were present for fun, food and fellowship. The highlight of the event included a FREE Iris Plant for qualifying members and an auction.

We also received, in the mail, a new membership for Leslie Willis

of Joshua. Please extend to her a hearty welcome.

We are saddened to lose one of our dear members to a long battle of cancer. Vickie Rigby



passed away on July 29th. The family has asked that in-lieu of flowers, a donation be made in Vickie's name to the John-

son County Iris & Daylily Society.

Membership drawings for AIS and ADS were held for June and July. Winners for June were: AIS-Glenn Huddleston and ADS Mary & Jerry Keeth. July winners were: AIS Mary & Jerry Keeth and ADS Bill & Anita Goodale.

There are a few of you who have not renewed your club membership. If you want to be included in the 2019-2020 Year-book, please pay your dues at the August meeting.

Treasury Report by Dan Cathey



July beginning account balances were \$4,693.41: \$4,424.76 in checking, \$168.65 in PayPal, and \$100.00 in petty cash. Checking expenses for the month were \$1.71 credit card service fee, printing costs \$59.55, program and speaker fees (May & July) \$50.00, postage and shipping \$13.50, and Daylily Show expenses of \$154.73 totaling \$279.49. Income was \$1,036.00 including \$654.00 from the Iris auction, \$280.00 in membership dues, \$80.00 in plant marker sales, and \$16.00 from the youth raffle. PayPal activity was \$141 for AIS Memberships totaling \$81 for Glenn Huddleston (July), Mary & Jerry Keeth (June). And 2 Youth mem-

berships for Isabella & Victoria Velasquez. ADS memberships totaling \$60 for Bill & Anita Goodale (June) and Mary & Jerry Keeth (July). Ending account total for July was \$5,308.92 with \$5,181.27 in checking, \$27.65 in PayPal and \$100.00 in petty cash.

Hospitality Report by Gailmae Suite



Our Pot-Luck luncheon for the August meeting will be before we play bingo. That means a lot of getting up and down with all of the fun we will be having. Let's fill the table with a dish and dessert to share. No soda is needed. Thank you Mary and Jerry Keeth for bringing ice even though Jerry wasn't feeling good. Those who signed in the hospitality book are the Goodales for sweets. Non-sweets were Sue Walker and Diana Medrano. The Goodmans will bring their delicious rolls. Wayne and I will bring coffee, soda, sandwiches and ships.

Plant Sale Chair Report by Gailmae Suite



As we are digging and dividing our irises for our bingo meeting and next month's plant sale, now is the time to think about potting up irises for the club's plant sale at our Iris Show. When dividing your iris, put the 3 smallest rhizomes (of the same variety) in a pot that is at least 1 gallon in size. Start with a little mulch in the bottom of the pot, add your soil and put in your irises. Be sure to label them. This will give them a good start and will be growing nicely in the spring when we have our show.

In the Garden With Anita by Anita Goodale



NUTGRASS! Bill and I prefer to control grasses or weeds without harsh chemicals when- ever possible. So this year I've been doing some experimenting with Distilled White Vinegar and Dishwashing Liquid. Sam's Club offers a packet of two gallons of the vinegar for a little under \$5. Once again, I've been using a plastic milk jug and blue Dawn. I don't measure exactly, rather just "eyeball it". This solution is relatively inexpensive and the total cost depends on the size of the problem. We have 2 acres and I'm trying to cover the entire area where ever

I see crabgrass growing.

Mix the dishwashing liquid with the vinegar by tilting the milk jug several times so that the dishwashing liquid is thoroughly mixed. Spraying in a circular motion around the grass plant will ultimately kill the foliage; but unless you saturate the center of the plant where the root system is located, the crabgrass will simply sprout again. As the four photos demonstrate, this formula begins working almost immediately. The first photo shows before the solution has been applied. The second one was taken 30 minutes later (I timed it exactly). The third photo was taken after 24 hours and the last one, after 48 hours. I

have found for the best results, apply this mixture on a hot sunny day. Even though this plant looks to be totally dead, I'll apply another dose, just to make sure!

Oh, one other thing, since the young man that has been helping us with the mowing and trimming doesn't have a grass catcher, before he's scheduled to mow, I go out and snip off as many of the blades that contain the tiny black seeds as I can. If I don't, reseeding takes place. We hope perhaps later this fall when our gardening chores slow down, we can see about having our John Deere mower repaired and next season begin once again catching the clippings - the chickens will thank us!



2019 Daylily Region 6 Meeting by Peggy Cathey

Dan and I had a great time attending this year's ADS Region 6 Annual Meeting in Albuquerque, NM. We have made a lot of great Daylily friends over the past 18 years of attending these meetings. Most of the meetings are held in May or June, when the daylilies are in peak bloom. We have seen some awesome daylily gardens. This year, was no exception. The gardens in the deserts of New Mexico are quite different than around here, as you can imagine. With the average annual

rainfall being less than 10 inches for the entire year(!), they have quite a few challenges. One is, the city wants all the landscaping to be native or xeriscape plants to conserve water. Almost without exception, the backyards are behind adobe walls, and to enter the "secret" gardens is like stepping into another land. We saw beautiful daylilies, most watered with drip irrigation, among the native and more traditional New Mexico vegetation. We also saw huge mounds of lavender growing

along the street and in front yards and one of the biggest apricot trees I have ever seen. We saw a garden on a plateau overlooking the city and we saw one garden in the Rio Grande Valley with a lush lawn and huge trees. It is truly a land of diversity. The Albuquerque Daylily Society were terrific hosts and there was no shortage of food. Be sure to read all about the gardens in the next issue of *Daylilies of the Southwest* which should reach your mailbox soon.



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And the American Hemerocallis Society

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
c/o Vickie Howard, Treasurer
3912 CR 1205, Cleburne, TX 76033



August 9-10, 2019
AIS Region 17 Annual Meeting
Weatherford, TX



August 17, 2019, NOON
Potluck Luncheon & Bingo Party
JN Long Cultural Arts Complex cafeteria



September 14, 2019, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Annual Plant Sale
JN Long Cultural Arts Complex cafeteria



October 12, 2019, 10 a.m.
Daylily Giveaway, Auction and Exchange
United Cooperative Services community room



November 9, 2019, 10 a.m.
Program: Fall Gardening with Irises
United Cooperative Services community room



December 14, 2019, NOON
Christmas Party & Potluck Luncheon
United Cooperative Services community room

Check out our website:

<http://johnsoncountyirisanddaylilysociety.org/>



<https://www.facebook.com/johnsoncountyirisanddaylilysociety>

Word Search: Iris & Daylily Names That Begin With "August"

Words may be Forward, Backward,
Diagonal, Up or Down

Iris names:

- Affair
- Aster
- Emperor
- Flame
- Gold
- Indian
- Moon
- Treat
- Twilight
- Waves

Daylily names:

- Bride
- Charm
- Delight
- Double
- Embers
- Heat
- Joy
- Pioneer
- Sunset
- Wedding

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