

The Iowa Seedling

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Dates to Remember:

- * April, 13, 2019 Spring Meeting 10 am
at the New Hope United Methodist Church
4525 Beaver Ave. Des Moines
- * June 29, 2019 IRLS Lily Show at Reiman Gardens
Ames, Iowa
- * July 10 - 14, 2019 NALS 72nd Annual
International Lily Show and Symposium
Boston, MA

A garden is always a series of losses set against a few triumphs, like life itself. ~May Sarton

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The President's Letter

Ponderings from the Prez...

It's hard to believe another winter is FINALLY gone and spring has sprung! It always amazes me how fast the months and years seem to fly by.

The warm weather in January caused my bags of daffodils and tulips to sprout in the garage since they didn't get planted last fall. I planted some of them in pots and brought them into the house and we thoroughly enjoyed the breath of spring while two feet of snow still covered the ground. Fortunately, the snow is gone now, the ice is off the pond and the grass is starting to turn green. My baby lily seeds are sprouting (in the house) from last summer's attempts at hybridizing. It's exciting that they are growing!

Thanks to all for helping pack bulbs and manning our booth at the Iowa Flower, Lawn and Garden Show at the Iowa State Fairgrounds, March 15-17, 2019. We had the most amazing Friday sales ever with the "feeding frenzy". It was the first warm, sunny day in months, and everyone was anxious to buy our lily bulbs. It was lots of fun talking about lilies and seeing folks who seek us out every year to get their bulbs. By the way, we sold out of bulbs early Sunday afternoon!

At the April meeting we will hold our annual election of officers. Please consider what you might be able to do to help our organization. The positions of President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and two Directors are all up for election. Please help us fill all these positions!

We will be discussing the Annual Show, June 29th, at Reiman Gardens. Peggy Moody has graciously agreed to be our guest speaker. Her presentation will be about creating designs for the Show that meet the criteria that Design Judges look for. We'd like to encourage more IRLS members to try their hand at bringing designs for the Show.

Because of an underwhelming response to my inquiry in February, we won't be taking a bus tour to visit gardens this year. If we have time, we may discuss the possibility of hosting another Judges Training School. A thought to ponder: how can we as a society can spread the word about lilies and where we should we spend our money to help educate the public?

Looking forward to seeing everyone Saturday, April 13th at 10:00 am at New Hope United Methodist Church in Des Moines. Enjoy the warmer weather and think of beautiful lilies

Kristi Evans
IRLS President

Treasurers' Report

Iowa Regional Lily Society

2019

Date	Checks/Deposits	BALANCE	Reference
01/01/2019		13,454.05	
01/03/2019	Ck # 1016	266.00	13,188.05 Renew Ins Policy
02/08/2019	Ck # 1017	50.00	13,138.05 NALS Annual Dues
03/10/2019	Ck # 1018	36.99	13,101.06 Mark Riggs - Peat for Bulb packing
03/14/2019	Ck # 1019	75.00	13,026.06 Cash - Bank of the West for Bulb Sale
03/17/2019	Ck # 1020	159.00	12,867.06 RJ Promotions for 2020 Booth
03/17/2019	Ck # 1021	541.79	12,325.27 Fred C Glockner & Co - Bulbs for 2019 Sale
03/18/2019	Deposit	2,728.75	15,054.02 Desposit for Membership dues & Bulb Sales +\$75
Cash (see Ck#2019)			



Just a few
of the
workers at
the IRLS
Spring Bulb
Pack



Kristi Evans (President of IRLS) shares her love of lilies with booth visitors.



Members tidy up for the start of the day!



North American Lily Society Show 2019

The NALS 72nd annual International Show and Symposium is set for July 10-14 in Boston. The show and exhibit will take place at the Harvard University's Arboretum. The host hotel is the Sheraton in Needham, Mass.

NALS would like to spread the word about this event to all members and have the members help out in this project. Spreading the word, attending the show, exhibiting lilies, volunteering to help with the production of the show and /or make a monetary donation.

Sponsorships and donations are important in presenting the show. Many individuals (depending on their circumstances) may prefer to make a donation if they can't help out in other ways. There are several levels of sponsorship and forms are available at;

TenbyTech.com/draft/NALS2019/sponsors.html

The March QB will have more show information and the registration forms etc.

NALS Regional Representative Coordinator

Margaret Driver

What's new in your garden?

<http://www.lilies.org>

The North American Lily Society (NALS) was organized in 1947 to promote interest in the genus *Lilium*. The society has active members from almost every state and province in North America, as well as from many countries around the world.



New members welcome!

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