

Greater Rochester Iris Society
(an affiliate of the American Iris Society)

June 2021 newsletter
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I hope everyone is busy taking pictures of their blooming iris for the show this year! I know I have been busy, and I am a terrible photographer. I'm still getting some garden cleanup done, and the weeds are going gangbusters, too!

Neil Houghton, our vice-president, has invited everyone to his garden at select times this year. He will be open for Late Medians and early Tall Bearded this weekend. Times are Saturday and Sunday, May 29 and 30, from 10 AM to 4 PM. On Monday, Memorial Day, May 31, his gardens will be open from 2 PM to 4 PM. He is located at 3873 Rush-Mendon Rd. (Rte. 251) Mendon, NY 14506.

On Saturday, June 5 we will have a Season Celebration! His gardens will be open from 2 PM until ??? Beer and Wine will be provided; anything else you would like to drink is BYO. About 5 PM Kyle will start serving food. Hot dogs and burgers are planned, and who knows what else Kyle will come up with! A dish to pass would be appreciated, but not necessary. There will be door prizes and raffles, so it should be lots of fun! You might want to bring a chair, as seating may be limited. If you are going, please RSVP so Kyle knows how much food to prepare. You can text to 585-301-8256 or email neil.houghton@me.com. The rain date will be Sunday, June 6th.

If you are fully vaccinated, a mask is not required. If you are not vaccinated, please wear a mask when touring the garden.

Don't forget to start looking for what iris need dividing for our annual iris sale. We will be holding it on August 14 and 15 at Bristol's Garden Center, 7545 Rte. 96, Victor, NY. It will be held from 10 am to 4 pm on both days. We will need help setting up and selling iris, so please let me know if you are available to help. More information will be available later.

Don't forget our next two meetings, September 12 and October 10. Our September meeting most likely will be in-person, and our October meeting definitely will be. Diane Henderson, who gave such a great woodpecker talk last year, will be doing another presentation on hummingbirds.

See you at the Celebration!

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