

Greater Rochester Iris Society
an affiliate of the American Iris Society
April 2024 newsletter

It looks like we'll be having an early spring this year! My iris reticulata and crocuses are in full bloom, along with my heather and hellebore. But as we native New Yorkers know, it is only April, and we need to be careful on how much we do in the garden.

With those thoughts, our next meeting will be our own vice president, Alex Solla, giving a talk: **Don't Put Me On The Cart (or how to grow old without giving up)**. A talk on reasons we struggle with our gardens... and the consequences of getting old, taking care of a loved one, illness, forced downsizing, etc... and the effect that can have on our garden and our life. Bring your questions on how we can still work in our gardens as we age. This is a talk for all ages, not just senior citizens. We can always use tips and tricks to help us with our gardening work!

The meeting will take place on April 14th at 2 pm at St. John's Episcopal Church Hall, 11 Episcopal Ave., Honeoye Falls, NY.

Some more upcoming events:

May 25 - AIS Region 2 Spring meeting in Buffalo. For more info, please see Cara

June 1 - visit to Iris Country Gardens in Geneva

June 2 - planned Iris Exhibition

June 8 - Monroe County Cooperative Extension Plant Sale - we will have an area to provide club information

August 4 - Club picnic and get-together

August 10-11 - Iris rhizome sale

September 8 - Meadow Garden Development - meeting

October 13 - Hostas? Bluebirds? AIS convention? - To be decided - meeting

This is just a reminder that dues are due at the April meeting. If you joined at our Iris sale in August of 2023, you do not owe any dues for 2024. All others, there is a \$10 per person dues owed. We will be updating our membership list after the April meeting.

Cara