

Greater Rochester Iris Society
an affiliate of the American Iris Society
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With all the up and down weather we're having, I've been very cautiously working in my garden. Mostly cutting back some of the echinacea seedpods I left for the birds to nibble at, and the leaves that are still in our driveway, tucked in the corners where the snowblower couldn't reach to be chopped up with the snow.

Spring is coming, and I am looking forward to it very much. getting my hands and knees dirty, working the soil, and watching my garden bloom. And also seeing all my friends at the Greater Rochester Iris Society meetings and events!

Our first meeting this year takes place on March 10th. Wendy Roller will be presenting a program on median iris; and with the weather we're having, I wouldn't be surprised to hear that some of your median iris are already in bloom for the meeting! Or at least your reticulata iris are blooming. And as usual, we also will be discussing what to do in your garden over the next month.

Please add these future dates to your calendar:

April 14 - Aging in Your Garden - meeting

May 25 - AIS Region2 Spring meeting in Buffalo

June 1 - visit to Iris Country Gardens in Geneva

June 2 - possible Iris Show or 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

All meetings take place at St. John's Episcopal Church Hall, 11 Episcopal Ave. Honeoye Falls, NY.

I hope to see you there!

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