Cedar Valley Iris and Daylily Society (CVIDS) Nancy Rash, President 20/20: A Perfect Daylily Vision Cancellation

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Dear Daylily Leaders and Friends:

The Corona Virus has claimed yet another victim. After much communication and deliberation with our CVIDS Board and subsequent feedback from our membership, it is our final decision to cancel the 2020 Region One Summer Meeting, 20/20: A Perfect Daylily Vision.

Our decision was not an easy one. The COVID-19 has changed our lives in so many unexpected ways. Staying at home, social distancing, wearing masks, doctors, nurses, medical personnel at so much risk, lowering the curve may only mean that we extend the pandemic through the summer. Many of our members and those who attend our Region One events are in the high-risk category of this very dangerous virus. These considerations have tipped the scale and we are sorry to cancel as we have put in considerable time and effort already.

Our contractual obligations have made it necessary to decide sooner rather than later. Also, the extension of the "Stay at Home" rules by many states, into the summer, and the cancellation of the Olympics, major sports and even churches weighed on our decision.

Our Board unanimously agreed and our membership response to the options presented was that cancelling the Regional Meeting is most prudent, safest for our membership and potential attendees.

We are notifying all involved, returning registration fees and cancelling our contracts with Kirkwood Community College, tour busses, food services, etc.

The final question that remains is, if and when CVIDS would be asked to host another Regional Meeting. Knowing that Central Iowa Daylily Society (CIDS) will host 2021, what options might we have?

Sincerely,

R. Keith Riewerts, chair 20/20: A Perfect Daylily Vision