

Canadian Prairie Lily Society

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President's Message

Another year is almost done. At the moment snow is falling great! A good snow cover is in place protecting the plants unlike last year. In 2010 many gardens lost plants that are considered hardy in the prairies – Morden and Explorer roses, hostas, even lilies! The losses are a disappointment but look on the bright side it made room in the garden for new plants. This fall I actually got all my new lily bulbs planted and managed to divide some clumps as well. Got the mulch down in time so all is well.

Come January it will be time to start “gardening” again - checking lists, redoing garden maps and checking out the 2011 catalogues - looking for just one or two more plants and of course lilies to add to the garden! Also check out the survey in this newsletter. I hope you can take some time to participate. It is a great way to increase our knowledge of lily growing in our area.

CPLS had a busy successful year. The success of the society depends on the volunteers who make the activities possible. I would like to extend a special thanks to the committee chairpersons – Art Delahey and Ted Markus (Gardenscape’10), Barbara Adams- Eichendorf (Annual Lily Show’10), Art Delahey (Treasurer), Stan Dunville, Art Delahey, Ted Markus and Natalie Threlfall (Lily Plots’10), Art Delahey,

Natalie & Gerry Threlfall (Fall Bulb Sale ’10), Ed Driver (Website’10 & Newsletter’10), Leona Domshy (Volunteer Organizer’10) and Natalie Threlfall (Historian’10), and Sharon Newton (CPLS Secretary/Newsletter Mail out) for taking on these activities and making them successful. Also a special thank you to all the members who gave their time to manage our sales, show, and information tables; digging bulbs, packaging bulbs and printing labels for the bulb bags and countless other jobs that need to be done to make our events successful. For more detail on member participation see the “Volunteers” article in this newsletter.

CPLS is down to managing one lily plot at the University of Saskatchewan. The June 2010 Newsletter had an article on the History of CPLS Lily Plots written by Art Delahey. This past summer Hilda Noton and Stan Dunville spent many early hours photographing the lilies in the U of S plot. This will help with identifying the lilies in the plot and providing photos for our plot history. Thank you Hilda and Stan for your work on the plot this past summer.

At this time I would ask members to seriously think about giving some time to take on positions in the executive and directorship area. It takes a lot of organizing to keep a society

going and new people are always needed to help in this endeavor. The position of Vice-president has been open for a number of years and really should be filled – consider it. It is a great chance to learn more about the society and lilies in general – only four meetings/year!!

CPLS is looking forward to another eventful year in 2011 – Gardenscape'11 (March), Annual General Meeting (April), Annual Lily Show (July) and Bulb Sales (September). There will be more information regarding these events in upcoming newsletters. If you can spare sometime to help out with our activities it would be greatly

appreciated.

***Best wishes to you all this Festive Season.
Great Gardening in 2011! MED.***

CPLS Scholarship Awards 2010

This year Sharon Newton and I attended the “Annual Bean Feed” more elegantly known as the *Annual Awards Gala: College of Agriculture & Bioresources, University of Saskatchewan*. This event is held to honour both donors and recipients of awards. CPLS provides monies for two annual scholarships for students in Horticulture.

This year the *Canadian Prairie Lily Society T.A. (Andy) Dingwall Scholarship in Horticulture* was awarded to Vanessa Vandertweel, a third year student from Gronlid, SK. The *Canadian Prairie Lily Society John Bond Scholarship in Horticulture* was awarded to Kaila Hamilton, a fourth year student from Radisson, SK.

Both students expressed their great appreciation for their awards. They were very enthusiastic in describing their studies and their hopes for working in their chosen field in the future.

Meeting these recipients ensured us that the work CPLS members do to provide for the scholarships is greatly appreciated and a very worthwhile project. [MED]



The Editor's Desk

Once again your editors of this newsletter are requesting articles, letters etc, from the membership to help make the newsletter an informative one. We know that many of you have a good deal of knowledge to share with your fellow lily growers about growing, showing and/or hybridizing lilies. The one fast and easy way to share this knowledge is through this newsletter. So get your thoughts on paper or send them flying through cyberspace so we can share and enjoy your experiences with lilies.

If you have any questions regarding lilies you would like answered please send them. We will do our best to help you out.

We would also appreciate hearing from you about what you would like to see/read in your newsletter.

All articles, letters, etc., will be considered for

publication. Please include your name and complete address with your article. Newsletter **DEADLINES** are February 15, May 15, August 15 and November 15.

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Volunteers —CPLS's Life Line to a Successful 2010

Volunteers are the life-blood of a society. At this time I would like to thank all the members who made CPLS events possible in 2010. As you read through the list you will notice many members have made the list several times. I hope that those who have not made the list in 2010 will find sometime to help out in CPLS activities in 2011 your participation is needed and always appreciated. I hope I haven't missed anyone, if I have please let me know. [Margaret Driver].

Gardenscape 2010

Chairpersons

Art Delahey and Ted Markus

Set-Up/Take Down

Ted Markus, Art Delahey, Stan Dunville, Sharon Newton, Margaret Driver, Barbara Adams-Eichendorf

Information Desk

Stan Dunville (2), Art Delahey (2), Sharon Newton, Margaret Driver, Ted Markus, Hilda Noton, Cec Kachkowski, Gail Church, Liz Delahey, Rosemary Slater, Dorothy Bird, Mary Jean Roy, Judy Chiki, Karen Sawchyn, Ramona Gignanc (2), Sandy Parsons, Helen Johnson, Suzanne Beaubien, Natalie Threlfall, Donna Cutler, Helen Osback (2),

Glen Sollosy, Darlene Malysh, Fran Nutter,
Alice Pitka, Phyllis Elder,

CPLS Annual Lily Show

Chairperson

Barbara Adams-Eichendorf. A thousand
and one things are done to get the show in
the tables!

Show Judges

Allan Daku, Barbara Adams-Eichendorf,
Margaret Driver

Clerks

Sharon Newton, Leona Domshy, Luella
Gatzke

Volunteer Schedule

Leona Domshy

Photography

Ed Driver

Show Set-up & Take-Down

Natalie & Gerry Threlfall, Ed & Margaret
Driver, Luella & Irwin Gatzke, Art Delahey,
Stan Dunville, Ted Markus, Sharon Newton,
Barbara Adams-Eichendorf

Information Desk

Ted Markus, Hilda Noton, Len Donauer,
Janice Peace, Ramona Gignac, Carmel
Dodd, Darcy Turner, Shirley Waters, Karen
Zunti,

CPLS Bulb Sales: Gardenscape'10 & Fall '10

Chairpersons:

Art Delahey and Ted Markus. A thousand
and one things are done by these two to get
the sale on the road and into gardens on the
prairies and more!

Commercial Orders:

Margaret Driver, Barbara Adams-
Eichendorf, Art Delahey

Bulb Donations: Phyllis Elder, Margaret
Driver

Bulb Sale List Preparation: Margaret Driver

Bulb Package Labels: Karen Sawchyn, Ted
Markus,

Digging, Packaging bulbs, Etc.....

Stan Dunville, Art Delahey, Gerry &
Natalie Threlfall, Sharon Newton, Margaret
Driver

Mail Out Orders: Art Delahey

Set-up & Clean-Up for Public Sales: Ted
Markus, Art Delahey, Stan Dunville, Sharon
Newton, Margaret Driver, and members
working the first and last shift of the sales.

Volunteer Worker Schedules: Leona
Domshy

Information Desk/Sales: Phyllis Elder,
Ramona Gignac (x2), Sandy Parsons, Hilda
Noton, Len Donauer, Frank Dodd, Carmel
Dodd, Peter Lehman (x2), Barb Adams-
Eichendorf, Margaret Driver, Sharon
Newton, Norm Waters, Sandy Parsons,
Shirley waters, Karen Sawchyn, D'Arcy
Turner, Pat Adams, Liz Delahey, Suzanne
Beaubien, Art Delahey.

Red Lily Beetle Watch

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Lawrence

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Newton

Membership List

Art Delahey, Stan Dunville, Ted Markus,
Natalie Threlfall, Gerry Threlfall, Ed Driver

Art Delahey & Margaret Driver

Lily Plots***Red Lily Beetle Update***

The Lily Leaf Beetle (a.k.a. Red Lily Beetle), *Lilioceris lili* is moving across Canada. Here is an update on controlling this pest. This is an abstract of a paper presented at the recent Entomology Society Canada Meeting in Vancouver 2010.

Biological Control of the Lily Leaf Beetle.

The lily leaf beetle, *Lilioceris lili*, has spread into five Canadian provinces in the 60 years since its introduction into North America. It is a serious pest of native and ornamental lilies and a candidate for biological control given this it is well regulated by larval parasitoids, not only at natural site but also in private gardens and lily plantations.

The most suitable species, the eulophid

Tetrastichus setifer was recently approved by CFIA for release in Canada. Here we present long-term data on parasitism in Europe and implications for biological control in Canada.

Haye, T. and M. Kenis. CABI Europe-Switzerland, Delemont, Switzerland.

[**editor:** I would like to thank Sara Williams for passing this information on to me. Cedric Gillot originally sent this information to Sara. Cedric Gillot is a Professor Emeritus at the University of Saskatchewan, Biology Dept.]

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL NOTICE

For all members whose memberships expire December 31, 2010, and are not renewed, the last issue of the newsletter will be the December 2010.

If your mailing label is **HIGHLIGHTED** it is time to renew! To renew of your membership please use the renewal form included in your newsletter. Don't forget to include your e-mail address if you have one.

How Does Your Garden Grow?

What do CPLS members grow? And more. We would like to know! There are a few questions listed below that when answered will indicate - what lilies are favorites, which lilies perform well in prairie gardens, what types of lilies are grown, what types of lilies you might like to try in your garden, companion plants and shrubs, fertilizers used and their application, watering regimes and more.

Please take some time to answer the questions. This is a great way to spend some "indoor" gardening time this winter when the answers come in the information will be compiled and will appear in upcoming newsletter(s). This is a good way of learning more about lilies and will help the Bulb sale committee make good choices for our sales. Thank you for participating.

Which lilies have grown well in your garden for 3 or more years?
 What are your top ten lilies (grown in your garden past or present)?
 What new lilies, if any did you plant in 2010?
 What lilies interest most? LAs, Asiatic, Martagons, Trumpets, others
 How long have you grown lilies?
 What types of lilies would you like to see

at our bulb sales?

What companion plants do grow with your lilies?

What fertilizer(s) do use?

How often do you fertilize your lilies?

How often do you water your lilies?

What pests (plant or animal) attack your garden?

What pesticides (if any) do you use in your garden?

What disease problems (if any) plague your lilies?

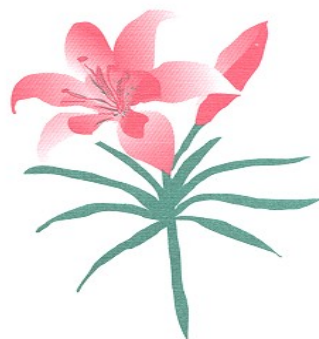
What gardening tip(s) would you like to pass on?

Please send your answers to:

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Or

Email: mlily@sasktel.net



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My Lily and Plant List for 2011

My Lily and plant list for 2011 -continued