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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well my people one more time I must apologize. I did the rain dance, but just a little wiggle and jiggle. Someone is always trying to outdo me, so it must be their fault. In the spring when I was under water, Dianne got 10 inches. When I took my cat to the vet, Betty took her dog and spent a fortune on her teeth so that she would have a nice smile. Also took my car to the garage last week and spent $1000.00 so someone has to outdo that also.

Was just outside. The rain barrels beside the house were overflowing and do not like to have that water lay beside the house. So came in soaked. Have to go back out in a while and turn off the hoses that I have draining.

Also have to phone Ron. We are having a terrible time sourcing lilies. The Lily Nook was sold and they moved the lily beds which then flooded. Will not get too much from them. Hugh Skinner has some different Latvians that we have ordered, but getting a little expensive. Also his martagons are more than most people are willing to spend. Dianne Sloan from Redlily Farm has to have back surgery. In a lot of pain. Do not know what she will be able to pick for us. She has been waiting a long time for surgery. Hope It goes well. Guess I have to go back to the garden and run through it one more time. Have some of the older lilies that I am going to dig. Lost a bunch of liles in the spring when I flooded. Probably about 25 varieties.

And I bragged too much. I now have the lily beetle. Do not know how it managed to get here and how it survives, because I am surrounded by big farmers that believe in spray, spray, spray. We were sitting outside one night for a bonfire and the spray planes were flying right over us. Do not think that is legal, but when you complain, get no response. I only have a few beetles, but just when you think you have the problem solved, find more. I started out picking 10 a day, now only 3 or 4. I am lucky that my lilies are separate and in rows so I can see them better, but it still takes me 2 hours every moring to go through the patch. Brian you will be happy to know that they love, love, love, adore Blushed Peach. I also got some chemical from my neighbor, so if I see them coming up in the spring in a bunch I will use it. When I am out in the yard, dress like an old bag lady. They did not charge me for the Pounce and got a jug of Roundup. Did not charge me. He says he spills more than that when he is filling the equipment. Thanks for good neighbors.

When you look at the list of upcoming events, you will see that Dr. James Tansey who is a Insect/Pest Management Specialist with the Saskatchewan Department of Agriculture will be our speaker for the Fall seminar. Of course his topic will be the Lily Beetle. Have not heard anything more since the release of the wasp in the summer. Hope things go well and that there will be further releases, but it can take years to get things under control.

Now I am off to fill baggies with peat moss, so that I am organized when I start to dig lilies. Also to turn off hoses. Back yard is flooded as it is. More water than the spring. See you at the sales and seminar.

Susan

Viva La Vida entered by Doug Bradford

Over 150 entries

BBQ at Ron and Jan’s place

List of Events

Bulb Packaging
Fri, Sept 25
3525 25th Ave
Joan Harris's
6pm

Bulb Sales
Sat, Sept 26
Victoria Square Mall
9am-4pm

Sat, Oct 3
Northgate Mall
9am-4pm

Fall General Meeting & Seminar
Sat Oct 24
St. Peter's Senior Center
100 Argyle St.
Meeting 10am-12
Lunch 12-1pm
Seminar 1pm-
Dr. James Tansey
Topic- Lily Beetle

Christmas Potluck
Wed, Nov 18
6pm-9pm
Regina Floral Conservatory

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