

International Lilac Society 2019 Convention & Annual Meeting –Des Moines, IA

Tentative Agenda Thursday May 2 – Saturday May 4, 2019

Wednesday, May 1st

6:00-8:00 pm ➤ Hampton Inn, Early Registration check in table.

Thursday, May 2nd

9:00-12:30 ➤ Board of Directors Meeting

10:00-12:00 ➤ Registration check in table

1:30 ➤ Meet and greet in lobby

1:45 ➤ Board bus to Greater Des Moines Botanical Garden

2:00-4:30 ➤ Speakers:

2:00: **Ben Page**, Director DM Parks and Recreation, Welcome

2:10: **Mark DeBard**, ILS Member, Variegated Lilacs

3:00: **Kelly Norris**, Director of Horticulture, Greater DM Botanical Garden, Iris Breeder

3:45: **Aaron Harpod**, Assistant Director of Horticulture, Tour Greater DM Botanical Garden

4:30-5:30 ➤ General Meeting?

5:30 ➤ Board bus to hotel

Dinner on your own

7:00-10:00 ➤ Meet and Greet Hospitality Suite at the hotel

Friday, May 3rd

8:00 ➤ Meet in hotel lobby, board bus to Reiman Gardens, Ames, Iowa.

9:00-10:30 ➤ Reiman Gardens guided tour Sarah Rummery

10:30-11:15 ➤ **Jeff Iles**, Professor and Chair Horticulture Department

11:15-12:00 ➤ **Edward Lyon**, Director, Reiman Gardens

12:00-1:30 ➤ Lunch at Reiman

1:30 ➤ Board bus for return trip

2:30-4:30 ➤ Tour of Pappajohn Sculpture Park and Better Home & Gardens Test Garden, Meredith Corporation Social

4:30 ➤ Bus returns to hotel.

6:00 ➤ President's Dinner, Americana

Saturday, May 4th

7:45-8:45 ➤ Board meeting (hotel)

8:45 ➤ Board bus to Ewing Park.

9:00 ➤ **Joel VanRoekel**, Environmental Education.

10:00 ➤ Tour Ewing Park Lilac Arboretum and Children's Forest.

12:00 ➤ Board bus to hotel

12:15-1:00 ➤ Lunch 'In the Bag'

1:30-4:00 ➤ Auction

6:00 ➤ Awards Banquet, Centro, Flashbacks from the Russian Conference and a Preview of 2020 Convention