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The RVP Message Jan 1, 2018



Wow! What a great Fall Regional meeting we had in Chico, thanks to the members of Leo T. Clark Iris Society who assisted Events Coordinator, Kathy Braaten with the planning and follow through. The Leo T Clark folks included Carol Cullen and Co-presidents Marcie Angel and Deb Rojas, as well as Cloudia Owens and other club members. Chad Harris, our guest speaker and Judges' Trainer, regaled us with so much information about Laevigatas, Ensatas, and Pseudatas, and an hour and a half training on Japanese iris, which was very informative and well received.

I want to thank Carolyn Craft, Fundraising Chair, and all the clubs and people who contributed lovely baskets for the raffle. They included: Anna Cadd, Monterey Bay, Clara B Rees, Mt Diablo, Sacramento, Leo T Clark, Sierra Foothills, Santa Rosa, James M Gibson, High Desert, Yosemite Iris Society and Shasta Iris Societies. The live auction, with Riley Probst as auctioneer was lively. At the buffet lunch on Saturday, each participant received a wrapped iris themed gift, donated by Leo T Clark. This was a pleasant surprise for everyone, and many thanks go to the members of Leo T. Clark.

Congratulations to Lorraine and Gordon Nicholson who received the Larry Gaulter Lifetime Achievement award presented by Awards Chair Jean Richter. Lorraine and Gordon have shown exemplary dedication to Region 14 and have contributed many hours over the years and this honor was well deserved.

Here are some of the important decisions at the meeting: The vote to change the Region 14 Bulletin from 4 times a year to 2 times a year. It will come out on Feb 1 and Aug 1, so that it will be in time to inform folks about the upcoming regional meetings in spring and fall. Craig Tarr was elected to fill the position of Director from the Central area, at the expiration of Carol Craft's term of office. The High Desert Iris Society President Patricia Eisenberg announced the club would like to host the 2018 Fall Regional in Reno. This was easily approved.

I have been very pleased to see the great response to the Fire Fund which closed on Nov 30. It was set up to assist Region 14 members who had lost their homes in the Santa Rosa fire, to help them restore their gardens and continue their contribution to their local clubs and the Region.

Looking forward to spring. I hope to see you all at the Spring Regional in Mariposa. Thanks to Fresno, San Joaquin, and Yosemite Iris Societies for volunteering to help Region 14 with this meeting. There will be two amazing gardens to visit and about 200 guest irises to see. The gardens are owned by Doug and Diane Kanarowski and Gary and Gail Collings. Rick Tasco will speak and give garden training, so don't miss this opportunity. It will be a nice change for most clubs, as the date will not conflict with most spring shows. In contrast, the AIS Convention in New Orleans is earlier this year, April 9 - 14, 2018. Information about the AIS convention is on the AIS website (www.irises.org).

I want to encourage all the affiliate clubs to help disperse information for the Region 14 Scholarship for \$1000. I want to thank our new Scholarship Chair, Barbara Kitz for taking on this important job. I hope that you will all help her, and if you want to volunteer to read applications or help disperse information, please call or email her.

I suspect that we have many club members in Region 14 who are not AIS members. I encourage you to join and benefit from the information that comes with membership, such as the beautiful AIS Bulletin, and emails called News and Notes. I urge all Affiliate Clubs to encourage AIS membership, with a goal of adding at least one new AIS member each year. This action on the part of affiliate clubs could help reverse the trend toward declining membership. One idea is for the club to pay for AIS membership in lieu of other prizes that you usually give to members such as Best of Show or whatever you award prizes for.

As I write this, the winter weeds are coming on strong, but I received a new weeding tool at the SIS gift exchange, so I am ready. See you in Mariposa!

Phyllis Wilburn, RVP



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the AIS Blog!**

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Editor's Notes

Exciting times are upon us. We are at the beginning of the busiest most fun time of the year. The first rain signaled every weed in creation to begin to grow, rapidly. Since we have clay soil it becomes a little like quick sand when it rains so we cannot walk in the iris beds when they are wet or we will sink down about 8 inches, just enough to pull our boots off when we try to walk. The winter rains left the beds wet so we were prevented from going out for about 2 weeks. When we did oh my goodness there was 2 inches of new growth on the irises. The season is beginning. Most clubs are planning the shows.

Riley and I are going to make a real effort to visit more shows this year. We usually judge two shows and spend the other two weekends in the garden.

We are looking forward to the Region 14 Spring Regional Garden Tours. We have visited both gardens previously. Both gardens are impeccably kept and completely different from each other. The Collings garden is much newer and nestled on a gently sloping hill. The Kanarowski Garden is more established and located on flatter area. Both gardens are superb and will make you glad you attended the Regional Tour.

As most of you know by now AIS Master Judge Rick Tasco will be the guest speaker and Judges Trainer. Superstition Garden is at a much lower level than either of our tour gardens so the Garden will not be open. Both Rick and garden co-owner Roger Duncan have some beautiful creations to their credit. Notable for Rick is the beautiful *Splanchata* and *Golden Panther*; notable for Roger is the incomparable *Hollywood Nights* and the knockout *Arctic Burst*.

My thanks to Larissa Daniels for her hard work doing the computer layout. Again I express my appreciation to Gesine Lohr. The bulletin would not be what it is today if not for her talents. To the two or three people that never miss a deadline, and turn in perfect copy you know who you are, you have my undying gratitude.

We are going to experiment with two bulletins a year for one year to see how that works. If it doesn't work we will go to three. If you the Regional member have an opinion please let me know. I welcome phone calls or e-mails.

Happy Gardening
Shirley Trio-Probst
Editor

Correspondence

Dear Region 14 Members and Board,

Gordon and I would like to thank you for allowing us to be part of Region 14 for many years; it has always been our privilege to work within our region on many projects.

It was very kind of the region to award the Gaulter Award 2017 to us at the Fall Regional in Chico. We would like to say "thank you" to all members, those who are no longer with the region and all who invited us to their gardens, to the many societies that asked us to judge, it was always our pleasure to visit, to judge, to view and most of all to learn from you.

We hope to be part of region 14 for many years to come in spite of "old age" and of course a much smaller garden to grow iris.

Lorraine and Gordon Nicholson
ps, don't forget to come to our new home in Escalon, you are always welcome.



Nicholson's Gaulter Award

Photo by Phyllis Wilburn

Calendar of Regional Meetings

Spring 2018 - May 11-13, Mariposa, Hosted by Region 14 with San Joaquin and Yosemite Iris Societies

Fall 2018 - October 19-20, 2018, Reno.

Spring 2019 - April 23-27, 2019, AIS Convention, Pleasanton, Hosted by Region 14 with assistance from all clubs

Fall 2019 - Host Needed

Spring 2020 - Host Needed

Fall 2020 - Host Needed

AIS Region 14 Spring Regional April 21, 2017 General Meeting Sacramento, California

Jane Jordan, Secretary

The General Meeting was called to order by RVP Phyllis Wilburn at 8:03 PM.

Ruth Ostroff, President of Sacramento IS, welcomed everyone.

Phyllis Wilburn invited everyone to her hospitality suite after the meeting.

Roll call was taken.

John Jones moved that the minutes from the Fall Regional be accepted. John Pesek seconded the motion.

Motion passed.

Judges' Training Chair, Alleah Haley, reported that there are 91 people enrolled in Judges' Training: 24 G/E Judges, 15 Master Judges, 4 Emeritus Judges, 12 Retired Judges, 5 Apprentices, and 31 Students. 4 Apprentices are on track to advance to G/E Judges this Fall. There were 9 Training sessions this year. There will be an Open Garden at Doug Kanarowski's Garden in Mariposa on May 20. Judges, Apprentices, and Students are urged to come and participate in 1:1 training.

Judges' Activity Reports will be distributed at this meeting and are due June 8. Send a copy to Alleah and to Phyllis.

A card was circulated to wish Helen Bliven well. She is in a rehabilitation facility in Walnut Creek.

Secretary, Jane Jordan reported that there was no electronic activity of the board since the Fall Regional.

Treasurer, Helen Franklin, could not attend. Copies of the treasurer's report were distributed. The Region has \$36,901.33 in the bank.

Director of the Central Region, Carolyn Craft, reported on the show dates for the club in her region.

Director of the Southern Region, Terry Tony, reported that Amberlee Pick of Yosemite IS won the AIS Clarke Cosgrove Youth Award this year. Also, Fresco IS is celebrating its 50 year anniversary this year.

Director of the Northern Region, Anna Cadd, apologized for having no report.

Immediate Past RVP, John Pesek, reported that he is chair of the nominating committee for the next RVP. The committee of 3 directors will be formed at the Fall Regional. Nominations in writing should be submitted to John. Interviews will take place at the 2018 Spring Regional. Results will be in Summer Bulletin.

Regional Events Chair, Kathy Braaten, reported that the Fall Regional will be hosted by Region 14 and Leo T. Clark IS in Chico, CA. The dates are October 27-28, 2017. The Registration fee is \$70 and the Ramada Plaza room rate is \$89 King and \$99 2 Queens. Chad Harris is the Guest Speaker.

The 2018 Spring Regional will be hosted by Region 14 and San Joaquin IS in Mariposa, CA. The dates are May 11-13, 2018. A flyer was included in the registration materials. Guests are encouraged to book hotels early. Rick Tasco will be the guest speaker.

The 2018 Fall Regional is open for hosting society.

Newsletter Editor, Shirley Trio, reported that Gesine Lohr has resigned. Larissa Daniel will help with the layout for the next issue of the bulletin. The deadlines for submitting articles are May 1, September 1, and February 1.

Honorary Awards Chair and Historian, Jean Richter, did not attend due to illness. Phyllis asked that nominations for the Larry Gaulter Award for service to Region 14 be sent to Jean in writing.

Fundraising Chair, Carolyn Craft, urged everyone to buy raffle tickets and to bid on the silent auction.

Internet Chair, Ann Pike, was not present. Phyllis reminded everyone that Ann needs at least a week lead time for items to be posted on the Website.

Membership Chair, Mary Ann Horton, reported that Region 14 has 618 AIS members including 266 youth members.

Scholarship Chair, Lorraine Nicholson, was not present. She reports that there are 14 applications for the scholarship and 6 of them meet the qualifications. She is getting together a committee of readers.

It was suggested that the thank you letter from last year's winner, Erin Sheridan, appear in the Bulletin. Her permission should be obtained before publishing the letter.

Science Chair, Riley Probst, wrote an article for the Bulletin on fertilizers and will write a couple of articles a year. Let him know if you have a particular issue you want researched.

Trophies and Awards Chair, Bill Fink, reviewed the color codes on the guest iris markers in the garden and on the

ballot. He also explained each trophy and who is eligible. Ballots are due Saturday by 4 PM.

Youth Chair, Lorraine Nicholson, was not present. Carolyn Hoover requested donations towards Amberlee Pick's expenses to the AIS National Convention to receive her Clarke Cosgrove Youth Award. John Jones moved that Region 14 donate \$200 to Amberlee. John Pesek seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

2019 Convention Chair, Shirley Trio, reported that she is in contract negotiations with the Hotel, but AIS Legal needs to approve the contract. The Hotel is the Pleasanton Doubletree on Johnson Drive at the intersection of I680 and I580. The bearded guest iris may arrive on August 1st or later.

There is a contest to choose a theme for the convention. The theme should include Las Vegas and Hawaii. The pins must wait until we have a theme. Shirley requested help with arranging the buses, preparing the convention booklet, and arranging the food.

New Business

2018 Fall Regional needs a host club. Kathy Braaten will check with SBMIS and Las Vegas IS.

Distribution of the 145 guest iris from the 2017 Spring Regional. The iris from the Shields garden will be dug on Tuesday, July 18. The iris from the Horton garden will be dug on Wednesday, July 19. Club Presidents should respond by July 1 if they want to receive any guest iris. Send a representative to help dig and pick up the iris or there will be a charge for shipping.

Spring Regional Show. Cindy Eastman announced the results of the show.

Announcements. Phyllis is Membership Chair for the Tall Bearded Iris Society. She handed out copies of the TBIS Magazines.

Phyllis is having an Open Garden on April 30.

Reminder to fill out your Tall Bearded Symposium Ballot and send it to Phyllis.

There is a Facebook page for Region 14.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:37 PM.

AIS Region 14 Fall Regional October 28, 2017 General Meeting Chico, California

Jane Jordan, Secretary

The Budget Meeting was called to order by RVP Phyllis Wilburn at 8:32AM.

Phyllis thanked Leo T. Clark Iris Society for co-hosting this Regional.

Helen Franklin presented the budget for 2018 with the expenses and revenues for 2017 to date.

The changes from the 2017 budget expenses include \$50 for Finance, Summer Fundraiser, and \$500 down from \$1000 for Judges' Training, \$100 for Scholarship expenses, and \$200 up from \$180 for internet services. The changes from the 2017 revenues include \$2400 up from \$1800 for donations from affiliates, \$1900 up from \$1000 for Spring Fundraiser, and \$1100 up from \$700 for the Fall Fundraiser.

The Youth Chair requested more funding for the program because the number of youths has increased.

Kathy Braaten moved that the Youth Budget be increased to \$3500. The motion was seconded and passed.

Lynn Williams moved that the revenue from the Summer Fundraiser be increased to \$1500. Lorraine Nicholson seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

The total expenses in the Budget are \$12,270. The total revenues are \$7,700. The deficit is \$4370.

Previously, the budget contained \$5000 for the 2019 National Convention. John Pesek asked that Shirley Trio Probst present a draft budget for the National to the board by the end of November. The National budget will be discussed at the Spring Regional. The \$5000 will remain in the 2018 budget. Kathy Braaten moved that the 2018 budget be accepted. John Pesek seconded. The motion was passed.

Break at 9:22AM.

The General Meeting was called to order by RVP Phyllis Wilburn at 10:03AM.

Roll Call was taken.

Lynn Williams moved that the minutes from the Spring Regional be accepted with the correction of Fresno for Fresco. John Pesek seconded. The motion was passed.

Judges' Training Chair, Alleah Haley reported that 7 students have advanced to apprentice: Gail and Gary Collins, Patricia Eisenberg, Mark Greene, Amberlee Pick, Kurt Kilburn, and Bernie Hendrix.

Four apprentices advanced to Garden/Exhibition Judges: Betty Bridger, Doug Kanarowski, Barbara Hawkins, and Jane Jordan. 2 new Master Judges: Bill Fink and John Pesek.

There are 86 people in the Judges' Training Program: 25 G/E, 18 Master Judges, 8 Apprentices, 18 students, 4 emeritus, 13 retired. The Star Award for the judge with the most JT hours was won by Carolyn Hoover with 15.5 hours. The apprentice with the most JT hours was Jane Jordan with 16.5 and Barbara Hawkins was second with 15.5.

Secretary, Jane Jordan reported that there was no electronic activity of the board since the Spring Regional.

Treasurer, Helen Franklin reported that there is \$38,810 cash on hand, \$8,803 in expenses, \$9,374 in income, and a net profit of \$571.

Bulletin Editor, Shirley Trio Probst reported that she and Larissa have been having computer problems. Larissa was out of the country attending to family illness. There were no expenses for supplies for this year, as they were purchased previously. The bill for postage for the 22 mailed bulletins will be resubmitted. An Advertising Editor is needed.

Central Director, Carolyn Craft reported on the activities for Clara B. Rees IS, Mt. Diablo IS, Monterey Bay IS, Sydney B. Mitchell IS, and West Bay IS.

Southern Director, Terry Toney reported on the activities for Yosemite IS, Fresno IS, and James Gibson IS.

Northern Director, Anna Cadd, reported on the activities of the High Desert IS, Leo T. Clark IS, Shasta IS, Sierra Foothills IS, and Santa Rosa IS.

Immediate Past RVP, John Pesek, as chair for the nominating committee, reported that the nominating committee has proposed that Phyllis Wilburn's term as RVP be extended a year to provide continuity for the 2019 National Convention. John read a letter from AIS president, Gary White, in response to the request that the extension be granted. The AIS board will consider the request in November.

Regional Events Coordinator, Kathy Braaten reported that the 2018 Spring Regional will be hosted by the Region on May 11-13, 2018 with San Joaquin IS assisting with the lunch, Carolyn Hoover of the Yosemite IS will chair the show, and Terry Toney of Fresno IS will prepare the bags. The registration will be \$80. The hotel information is on the website. Rick Tasco is the speaker. The gardens are the Kanarowski's and the Collings'.

The High Desert IS has volunteered to host the 2018 Fall Regional in Reno. Lynn Williams moved that we accept the invitation. The motion was seconded and passed. The dates are October 19-20, 2018.

They are in negotiations with 3 hotels. They are also considering a Fall Color Bus Tour.

There will not be a Spring Regional in 2019 because of the National. The Spring Regional meeting will take place at the convention.

The 2019 Fall Regional needs a host. The 2020 Spring Regional needs a host and a call for guest iris.

Honorary Awards Chair, Jean Richter presented the 2017 Larry Gaulter Lifetime Achievement award to Gordon and Lorraine Nicholson for their many contributions to Region 14.

Historian, Jean Richter asked for donations of any historic items. Ann Pike is putting older iris catalogs online to preserve them. Please donate any older catalogs that you may have. Phyllis added that if you know of any older iris worth saving that are being discarded, contact Jean.

Fundraising Chair, Carolyn Craft thanked the clubs who brought baskets for the raffle, irises for the sale, and items for the silent auction. The raffle has already brought in over \$600. There will be a live auction of recent introductions from Chad Harris and Joe Ghio.

Internet/Electronic Services Chair, Ann Pike was not present. There was a discussion on how to allocate the five available passwords for the website.

Membership Chair, Mary Ann Horton reported that the region has 605 members of which 266 are youth. Region 14 is the largest region of AIS and has the most youth members. There are 37 e-members. John Jones explained that e-membership allows you to read the AIS Bulletins online as well as the official iris registry which is searchable.

Scholarship Chair, Lorraine Nicholson reported that two scholarships were awarded this year. \$1000 was awarded to Natalie Brown of Red Bluff who will attend Cal Poly. \$800 was awarded to Clare Bardsley. Barbara Kitz has volunteered to be the new scholarship chair. Kathy Braaten moved to approve her appointment. Mary Ann Horton seconded and the motion was passed.

Barbara was a high school counselor and will create a manual for the scholarship process. The deadline for this year's applications in April 5, 2018. A 2-page form will be available online. Lorraine thanked Helen's granddaughters, Alexiss and Alliyah Franklin, for their technical work on the scholarship process.

Science Chair, Riley Probst reported that he wrote an article on fertilizers for the Bulletin. He asked for suggestions for future articles and projects.

Trophies and Awards Chair, Bill Fink, awarded the keeper awards to the winners from the Spring Regional. The Region Trophies had been engraved and were on display. Douglas Kanarowski won the Knopf Cup and the Cotillion Cup. Keith Keppel won the Out of Region Award and the Jim Gibson Cup. Rick Tasco won the Clara B. Rees Cup. Chad Harris won the Hager-Dubose Memorial Cup. Chad was the only recipient present.

Youth Chair, Lorraine Nicholson reported that she mentors the adults who run the Classroom Iris Project programs. She thanked Carolyn Hoover, Rudy Ciuca, Joe Lawrence, and Terry Toney for working with the youths. Rudy Ciuca proposed that region 14 send a petition to the National Board to change the requirements for the youth programs because the schools do not want to release the personal information of the students. Rudy will write up a petition for Phyllis to take to the AIS Board in November.

2019 AIS Convention Chair, Shirley Trio Probst reported that she has a committee including the garden owners that is working with her. Jean Richter and Bonnie Petheram will handle the registration. They are setting up a website to accept PayPal and credit cards. The hospitality bag will cost around \$10 and will include water, a pen, a notebook, an energy bar, and the convention booklet. The expected attendance is 200. The Buses will cost \$1900 and seat 55 people. The banquet cost will be \$55. The daily lunch will cost \$15. 1800 bottles of water will be needed. There is one optional tour planned to Joe Ghio's gardens. Coffee and drinks will need to be supplied for the AIS Board Meeting. There are around 2000 guest irises. The cost for garden stakes will be \$8000. There a discussion about a second optional tour. The Sunday before is Easter. A tour following the convention was suggested, either to San Francisco or Muir Woods.

Old Business: The only old business was the 2018 Fall Regional and that was resolved under the Regional Events Coordinator Report above.

New Business:

Fire Fund. The Region is collecting donations from affiliates and individuals for the members of the Santa Rosa IS who lost their homes in the recent fires – Ross and Barbara Bevier, Kitty Loberg, Delores McKey, and Jean Sharp. Donations should be received by November 30. John Pesek moved that Region 14 donate \$1000 to the fire fund. Riley Probst seconded. The motion was passed.

Central Director. Carolyn Crafts term has expired. Riley Probst nominated Craig Tarr for the position. The nomination was second and Craig was elected.

Bulletin Schedule. Editor, Shirley Trio Probst, proposed that one issue of the bulletin be dropped per year. After the matter was discussed, Kathy Braaten moved that the Bulletin be published only twice a year on February 1 and August 1. Joe Lawrence seconded. The motion passed.

AIS Symposium. Phyllis Wilburn reported that there 67 voters from Region 14 this year. That's All Folks was the most popular iris in our region.

Deb Rojas, co-president of the Leo T. Clark IS thanked everyone for coming to the Regional. She said that there were gifts for everyone on the chairs in the luncheon room from Leo T. Clark IS.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:13 PM.

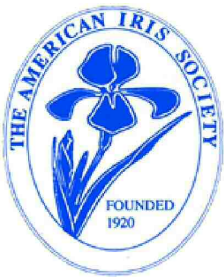
Start Making Your Plans for New Orleans 2018

As we are getting closer to the start of the 2018 AIS/SLI Conventions in New Orleans it is time to start thinking about making your hotel reservations with the Hilton New Orleans Airport. It is also time to start thinking about registering for the convention. You will find all of the information on the 2018 convention website www.2018irisconvention.org.

2018 will be a big year for New Orleans, as they will be celebrating their 300th Anniversary as a city. Click on the New Orleans tab on the 2018 website www.2018irisconvention.org for information on New Orleans and also New Orleans 300th Anniversary.

See you in New Orleans in 2018

2018 Convention Committee



Fleur-de-Gras

AIS and SLI National Conventions • New Orleans 2018

AIS: Sunday, April 8 – Friday, April 13

SLI: Wednesday, April 11 – Saturday, April 14

REGISTRATION "A LA CARTE" – You select the events you wish to attend!

How the registration form (on page 2) works:

A – Choose your Basic Registration Fee (everyone attending is required to choose A1 or A2). Total A

B – Add Tours; choose the tours you wish to take. Total B

C – Add Meals; choose the meal you prefer at the dinners you want to attend. Total C.

Total A1 or A2, B, and C. That's what you pay. Include that amount via a check, or pay by credit card.

Note: **The Basic Registration Fee** includes the convention booklet and admission to all the classes, JTs, and to many other activities during the entire week. It does not include bus rides, meals, or the Geek Dinner.

The Youth Registration Fee includes the convention booklet and admission to all the classes, JTs, bus rides, meals and to many other activities. It does not include the Geek Dinner.

Please complete and mail the **REGISTRATION FORM** on page 2 so that it arrives **no later than March 31, 2018**. Registrations will be acknowledged by e-mail. You will receive a packet with additional information, name tags, and event tickets at check-in.

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NO CANCELLATIONS AFTER APRIL 1, 2018 unless there are reasonable extenuating circumstances. Cancellations after March 21, 2018 but before April 1, 2018 are at the discretion of the Convention Committee.

CONVENTION HOTEL RESERVATION

Hilton New Orleans Airport Hotel
901 Airline Drive
Kenner, LA 70062
Phone: 504-469-5000

Reservations can be made online: <http://group.hilton.com/American-Iris-Society>
or by calling 1-800-872-5914 Extension 1.

Use the group code **AIS**.

Hotel cut-off date is Saturday, March 17, 2018.

Hotel room reservations are separate from Convention Registrations!

GEEK DINNER: Registration for the Geek Dinner on Wednesday, April 11, should be made to Joanne Prass-Jones, 35572 Linda Drive, Fremont, CA 94536. joanne@usjoneses.com

Visit the AIS-SLI Convention website for more information: <http://www.2018irisconvention.org>



REGISTRATION FORM



PLEASE PRINT – Fill out one form per person attending.

Name to appear on name badge: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ AIS Region _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

2018 AIS-SLI Convention Registration Form		Price			
A. BASIC CONVENTION REGISTRATION FEE		By	Feb 1 -	AFTER	
The Convention Registration Fee is Required. Please choose one.		Jan 31	Mar 17	Mar 17	
A1: Adult Both AIS and SLI (Sun-Sat)		\$45	\$55	\$65	=
A2: Youth (Sun-Sat)		\$120	\$140	\$160	=
B. TOURS (Wed, Thurs & Fri Tours include lunch.)					
Wed Garden Tour (City Park, Sculpture Garden, Longue Vue Garden)		\$48			=
Choose your sandwich:					
<input type="checkbox"/>	Smoked Ham				
<input type="checkbox"/>	Smoked Turkey				
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tomato with Mozzarella Cheese				
<input type="checkbox"/>	Vegan Salad				
Thurs Garden Tour ("A Louisiana Pond," LSU Hammond Research Ctr.)		\$48			=
Fri Garden Tour (Baton Rouge Bot. Gard, Burden Museum & Gard.)		\$48			=
B. TOTAL FOR TOURS:					
C. MEALS					
Tuesday AIS Welcome Dinner - Choose one:					
<input type="checkbox"/>	Andouille Chicken Roulade	\$46			=
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mardi Gras Pasta	\$46			=
<input type="checkbox"/>	Bone-In Pork Chop	\$46			=
Thursday SLI Welcome Mixer (included in Registration Fee; check the box to the right if attending.)		<input type="checkbox"/>			
Friday AIS Awards/SLI Hybridizers Show Dinner - Choose one:					
<input type="checkbox"/>	Chicken Piccata	\$46			=
<input type="checkbox"/>	Cajun-style Stuffed Pork Loin	\$46			=
<input type="checkbox"/>	Vegetarian	\$46			=
Saturday SLI Awards Dinner - Choose one:					
<input type="checkbox"/>	London Broil	\$46			=
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sautéed Fresh Catfish Almondine	\$46			=
<input type="checkbox"/>	Pasta Primavera (Vegetarian)	\$46			=
C. TOTAL FOR MEALS:					
GRAND TOTAL = Registration Fee (A) + Total for Tours (B) + Total for Meals (C)					

SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS:

____ Gluten Free ____ Lactose Intolerant ____ Diabetic ____ Vegan

Other: _____

Payment Method: CHECK - Make Payable to AIS-SLI Convention 2018
CREDIT CARD (VISA, MasterCard, Discover, American Express)
CC# _____ MM/YY _____ CVV _____

Send Registration & Payment to:

Ken Fuchs, 710 N 11th Street, Temple, TX 76501-3016, (254) 721-6217, kenfuchs42@gmail.com

REGION 14 OF THE AMERICAN IRIS SOCIETY
December 31, 2017
TREASURER'S REPORT 2017

	2017	Funds at	12/31/16	12/31/2017
Bank of Am-checking			12146.14	7514.52
Coast Hills- shares			1868.23	1870.52
Coast Hills-CD			23166.14	23516.73
Petty Cash				50.00
Prepaid 2018 - Regionals			500.00	675.00
Prepaid 2018 - Scholarsip Fund				550.00
prepaid 2018 - RVP 2018 National				488.04
Convention 2019				5000.00
			37680.51	39664.81

Budget

EXPENSES BY ITEM:

Bulletin- Publishing			300	
" Color Pages			500	
" Editor Expense			100	
" Mailing			175	
RVP Allowance			2500	2500
Finance, Summer Fundraiser				71.46
" Beardless Purchases			425	100
" Miscellaneous/Autions/Raffles			100	173
Finance, Fall Regional c/o hosted				1953
" Sales Taxes			240	230
Judges' Training			1000	90
Awards and Trophies			650	466
Honoray Awards			300	265
Office/Legal			300	172
Historian			100	
Scholarship			1000	1800
Science			500	
Youth Committee			2500	2324
Membership			30	
Internet Services			180	173
Donation-Fire Fund			200	10630
Start-up Funds			500	
Convention 2019			5000	
TOTAL EXPENSES			16600	20947

REVENUES BY ITEM:

Bulletin Advertising			300	
Bulletin Subscriptions				
Donations from Societies *			2400	1424
Donations/other				100
Interest			200	353
Judges' Training			500	
Registration fees, Spring/Fall Regional			400	453

Finance, Spring Fundraiser-	1000	1409
Finance, Summer Fundraiser-Rhizomes	1000	1881
" Fall Beardless Fundraiser	900	939
Finance, Fall Fundraiser, Raffle/Donations	700	916
Finance, Fall Regional co/hosted by Region 14		4556
Fire Fund		9632
Use of Reserve Funds	0	
		21663
Total Revenues	7400	
Total Expenses	20947	
Less total Revenues	-21663	
Excess exps/revenues: funds needed from reserve	-716	

REGION 14 OF THE AMERICAN IRIS SOCIETY APPROVED BUDGET FOR 2018

EXPENSES BY ITEM:

Bulletin- Publishing	300
" Color Pages	500
" Mailing Expense	175
" Editor Expense	100
RVP Allowance	2500
Finance, Summer Fundraiser	50
" Beardless Purchases	425
" Miscellaneous/Auctions/Raffles	100
" Fall Regional	
" Sales Taxes	240
Judges' Training	500
Awards and Trophies	650
Honorary Awards	300
Office/Legal	300
Historian	100
Scholarship	1000
Scholarship expenses	100
Science	500
Youth Committee	3500
Membership	30
Internet Services	200
Donation-	200
Start-up Funds	500
TOTAL EXPENSES	12270

REVENUES BY ITEM:

Bulletin Advertising	300
Bulletin Subscriptions	
Donations from Societies *	1800
Donations/Raffles	
Interest	200
Judges' Training	500
Registration fees, Spring/Fall Regional	400
Finance, Spring Fundraiser-	1900
Finance, Summer Fundraiser-Rhizomes	1500
Finance, Fall Fundraiser	1100
Use of Reserve Funds	
TOTAL REVENUES	7700
Total Expenses	-11270
Less total Revenues	7700
Excess exps/revenues: funds needed from reserve	-3570

Region 14 Bulletin Notice – February 2018

Greetings Region 14 members: I am Barbara Kitz, a member of the Sierra Foothills Iris Society and the new chair for the Scholarship committee. It is my pleasure to announce the \$1,000 2018-19 Region 14 Scholarship. This is again being offered to high school seniors, college or returning college students who are interested in pursuing a career in horticulture, floriculture, landscaping, nursery production or a related field. Due to the generosity of the affiliate clubs, last year the Region was able to offer a 2nd runner-up scholarship of \$800. If any affiliates would like to make an additional donation to the fund this year, please contact our Treasurer, Helen Franklin. She and her granddaughter have agreed to continue working on the committee this year.

A very special thanks goes out to Phyllis Wilburn, Loraine Nicholson, and Helen Franklin. They have been available to give me valuable insight, advice, recommendations and overall support these last several months. They have shared their knowledge and experience and continue to encourage me as I have worked on the updating of the scholarship information and application form. They have also agreed to continue working on this committee with me. And we can use additional help, in order to make this another successful year.

The first thing I need is assistance from all affiliate clubs. I know how busy we all are with our own lives. So, if each of the affiliates would have a few individuals share the scholarship packet, including: Letter to the Counselor, Letter to the Applicant and the Application that are included in this news letter, with the high school and college counselors in your area. Please don't forget your local Charter and Home Schools. If you have high school family, youth in your club or college friends who have an interest in irises or the careers listed, please share the scholarship with them. As you are doing this, keep track of your contacts. Send me a list of the schools and the email addresses of the contact person for each of your schools. If this is done now, it will be easier next year. We can develop a list for future scholarship offerings for our region. This could then be sent through the committee in the future. Many of us sharing in this will make it much easier on all of us.

Next, as we go through the year, I plan to set up a time-line and a policy and procedure guide that can be followed in the future. It will make the job duties easier and more consistent. My second request is to find some additional volunteers who would like to join our committee. The ideal would be to meet face to face to discuss how we envision the future of the scholarship program. However, depending on interest and volunteers locations, the information may need to be shared via email.

Finally, I need at least 4 individuals who would like to be on the reading/evaluating committed to help screen and select from the applications received. At this point, the application deadline is April 5, 2018. I would like readers to be available to score the applications between 4/10 and 5/15. The Finalist would be notified no later than June 1, 2018. The applications will be sent to readers either via email or snail mail. Ideally, the committee will have an opportunity to create a scoring form so that all applicants are evaluated on the same criteria. This is yet to be determined since I have not had an opportunity to determine how scoring was done in the past.

I look forward to working with many of you over the next year and am hoping to make this process enjoyable for all involved.

Barbara Kitz
SFIS member
Scholarship Chair

Region 14 Scholarship Information

Region 14 of the American Iris Society, Scholarship

Counseling Office

Attention: Academic/Scholarship Advisor:

RE: Scholarship Application for the 2018-19 school year.

REGION 14 OF THE AMERICAN IRIS SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The members of Region 14 of the American Iris Society are pleased to offer a \$1,000 scholarship with the intent of promoting interest in irises.

The award shall be given to a student who is pursuing a career in horticulture, floriculture, landscaping, nursery production or a related field. Applicants may be current seniors in high school, attending college or a university or be returning to college by fall 2018. Preference will be given to students who are family of Region 14 members or who have demonstrated interest in iris activities with Region 14. However, all those interested are encouraged to apply. The applicant's home address must be within the Region 14 area of Northern California, Nevada or Hawaii.

I am requesting your help in disseminating the attached scholarship application to your students who have an interest and staff who teach in these areas of study. If you have any questions, you may email or call me. When calling and leaving a voicemail, please speak slowly and clearly.

Barbara Kitz, Scholarship Chair
530-745-9559 barbara.kitz03@gmail.com

Completed applications are to be mailed to Barbara Kitz, Scholarship Chair. They must be postmarked by **April 5, 2018**. A committee will screen and evaluate all submissions. All applicants will be notified of the results of the selection for the scholarship by email, no later than June 1, 2018.

Thank you for your assistance in promoting this financial opportunity for your students. For additional copies of the scholarship information and application you may check the homepage of the Region 14 website at: www.aisregion14.org.

Sincerely,

Barbara Kitz
Scholarship Chair, Region 14 AIS
PO Box 5614
Auburn, Ca 95604

Region 14 of the American Iris Society, Scholarship

Dear Applicant,

The members of Region 14 of the American Iris Society are pleased to offer a \$1,000 scholarship with the intent of promoting interest in irises.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION CRITERIA:

1. Must reside within the region 14 area of Northern California, Nevada or Hawaii
2. Be a graduating high school senior, community college or 4 year college/university student or a returning student.
3. Pursuing a career in horticulture, floriculture, landscaping, nursery production or a related field.
4. Have an interest in irises
 - a. Family member of Region 14 of the AIS (preference given); or
 - b. Demonstrated interest in iris activities with Region 14 (preference given); or
 - c. Interest in the fields listed in #3. (You are encouraged to apply)
5. Complete the attached Scholarship application
6. Include a copy of your current transcript and grades in progress (if applicable)
7. Include a letter of recommendation from a teacher/professor, counselor or administrator
8. Include two (2) character references
9. Application must be postmarked or email by deadline: **April 5, 2018.**

Please send your completed application to:

Barbara Kitz
Scholarship Chair, Region 14, AIS
PO Box 5614
Auburn, CA 95604

You will be notified by email when your application has been received. A committee will screen and review all applications to select the recipient. All applicants will be notified of the results by email no later than June 1, 2018.

To claim the scholarship, the recipient must provide verification of current enrollment and commitment to attend a community college, 4 year college or university by October 15, 2018.

If you have **any** questions you may call **(530-745-9559)** or email me:
barbara.kitz03@gmail.com

Best wishes for a successful year and in pursuing your future goals.

Barbara Kitz
Scholarship Chair
Region 14, AIS

For additional copies of the scholarship information you may check the homepage of the Region 14 website at: www.aisregion14.org.

***Application for \$1,000 Scholarship to be Awarded by Region 14
of the American Iris Society (AIS)***

Name: _____ **Birth date:** _____

Address: _____ **City:** _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Email address: _____ **Phone:** () _____

Affiliation with Region 14 of AIS: no () yes ()

Which Society _____ **Name/relationship to member** _____

Current School/College: _____ **Current Grade:** _____

School/college currently attending or returning student? _____

Name and Location of school: _____

What type of school/college do you plan to attend? _____ Trade/Technical
_____ Community College _____ Community College w/transfer _____ 4 yr college/university

Name: _____ **Location:** _____

Major Area of Study: _____

Occupational Goal: _____

Please include with your application:

1. A copy of your current transcripts & grades in progress report. (Last transcript if returning student)
2. A letter of recommendation from teacher/professor, counselor or administrator.
3. Two (2) character references

The recipient of the scholarship will be sent a check upon proof of successful admission and commitment to attend a Community College, College or University.

* * * * *

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE COUNSELING OFFICE (for high school students only)

Overall Grade point average _____ **Current gpa** _____ **Class Rank** _____ **of** _____

SAT scores: Verbal _____ **Math** _____ **Writing** _____ **ACT** _____

Printed Name: _____ **Title:** _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Phone number: _____ **email:** _____

SCHOOL & COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES & HONORS

Please feel free to use a separate sheet of paper to complete your responses below.

AWARDS, HONORS, ACHIEVEMENTS

ORGANIZATIONS (School and Community)

WORK EXPERIENCE

OTHER ACTIVITIES (School, Community, Hobbies, etc.)

Please write a paragraph about your goals and how you plan to achieve them. If you have been an active member of Region 14, please tell us of your achievements and the activities in which you have participated.

Student's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Parent/Guardian's signature (if under 18): _____ **Date:** _____

Printed name: _____ **Relationship:** _____

Do not write below this line

Date received

Affiliate Group

Score

RICK TASCO

Guest Speaker ~ Spring Regional 2018



Photo by: Kathy Braaten

Rick's program on Saturday night will be IRIS HYBRIDIZING: MY WAY. It will give detailed information on how Rick hybridizes iris by every step in the process. At the end of his program we will get to see slides of his current year introductions.

Rick Tasco is the co-owner of Superstition Iris Gardens, a mail order iris nursery, which is also open to the public between mid-April and early May. The 1-acre display-type garden with around 800 varieties of iris is located in the lower foothills of the Sierra Nevada's in Cathay's Valley, Mariposa County, California—near Yosemite National Park. In 2018, Superstition Iris Gardens celebrates 32 years in business. Superstition Iris Gardens started in Apache Junction, Arizona in 1987, at the base of the famous Superstition Mountains, thus the name. Superstition Iris Gardens was one of the official tour gardens for the 2004 American Iris Society National Convention.

Rick is a member and an Active Master Judge of the American Iris Society. He is a member of the Fresno Iris Society, and the Sun Country Iris Society in Phoenix (of which he is a past President) and many other National sections of the American Iris Society, such as the Tall Bearded Iris Society, the Median Iris Society, the Reblooming Iris Society, the Aril Iris Society International, Species Iris Group of North America (SIGNA), and the Historic Iris Preservation Society (HIPS).

Superstition Iris Gardens has been official display gardens in the past for the Historic Iris Preservation Society, the Median Iris Society and the Aril Society International.

Rick has been growing iris for over 45 years and has grown iris in 3 very different climates—the Northern Virginia suburbs of Washington DC, Arizona's Sonoran Desert, and currently in Central California's Sierra Nevada foothills.

He has hybridized, registered, and introduced 123 iris with the American Iris Society since 1993, and has garnered quite a few AIS awards and medals. His introductions have won Favorite Guest Iris at 3 American Iris Society National Conventions during the last 15 years: GOLDEN PANTHER in 2002 at Memphis and in 2004 at Fresno and SPLASHACATA in 2003 in Virginia. He has won 11 AIS Medals including 2 DYKES MEDALS: 2005 for SPLASHACATA and 2009 for GOLDEN PANTHER. He has also won 5 JOHN C. WISTER MEDALS: SPLASHACATA in 2004, GOLDEN PANTHER in 2006, ABSOLUTE TREASURE in 2013, BLACK MAGIC WOMAN in 2014, and TEMPORAL ANOMALY in 2015. He has also won 4 C.G. WHITE MEDAL: CHOCOLATE MINT in 2004, NOBLE WARRIOR in 2012, AZTEC PRINCE in 2015, and SAND DANCER (this year 2017). He was also awarded the HYBRIDIZER'S MEDAL in 2011 by the American Iris Society Board of Directors.

Editors' note: Superstition Garden is one of the prettiest and best laid out gardens in the country but alas the garden is at a lower elevation than the two Guest Iris Gardens so Superstition Garden bloom is over and the garden is closed for the season.



Spring Regional 2018
Information Flyer
May 11th -13th 2018

“Butterflies in the Mountains”

Guest Speaker Rick Tasco
of
Superstition Iris Gardens

This will be an opportunity for Region 14 folks to visit irises blooming at a higher elevation, around 3,000 ft. Due to the fact the bloom season is later, the Spring Regional is scheduled for a later date than our usual meetings. Also, we will be competing with the beginning of the Yosemite Valley tourist traffic season, thus requiring some 'out of the box' thinking about the hotels and event meeting place. This is going to be a 'down home' event in the Sierra Foothills of Yosemite and the Region is hosting with the assistance of San Joaquin Iris Society and the Yosemite Iris Society. SJIS will be organizing the lunch in Diane and Doug Kanarowski's garden. An AIS sanctioned show will be hosted by Yosemite Iris Society. The registration fee has not been set, but we wanted you to have information about the hotels available in the area, so you can make reservations as soon as possible. There will be no meeting hotel, but all activities will take place at the Bootjack Stompers Hall. There are other hotels in addition to those mentioned in Mariposa, and it will be up to you to choose where you want to stay. Mariposa is approximately 40 minutes from Merced, where you can find other hotels which may be more reasonable. Here are the details that are available at this time:

Kathy Braaten is chairing the event if you have any questions please feel free to call 530 477-2811 or e-mail katbrat@cebridge.net

Judges trainer, Registration fee and registrar TBA

IRIS Spring Regional; Friday/Sunday MAY 11,12,13, 2018

* *Discount hotel room rates;* Good until April 10, 2018;

No rooms will be blocked nor held at this time.

Guests are encouraged to *call immediately* to make the reservations.

Cancellation Policy is 48 Hours prior to arrival at no charge.

Less than 48 hours will cost at least the first night's charge.

You may forward this email to your guests for their information

***BEST WESTERN Plus- Yosemite Way Station**, 78 rooms located at south end of Mariposa, CA. External halls, 3 floors, 1st and 2nd floor accessible without stairs, Iron, Hair Dryer, Microwave, Refrig. and Coffee in room; Breakfast included FREE.

Full Hot American Breakfast- Waffles, eggs, sausage, cereals, breads, pastries, coffee, tea, milk, juices, etc. Free WiFi, Free Parking; Laundry facilities Seasonal swimming pool. Exercise Room, Close to shops and Restaurants-Pet Friendly extra fee 4999 Hwy 140, P. O. Box 1299, Mariposa, CA. 95338

Telephone: (209)966-7545 FAX: (209) 966-6353

Email: info@yosemitebestwestern.com

www.yosemitebestwestern.com

RATE: \$ 174.00 QQ 2 People (+\$10. Additional persons)

Good till April 10, 2018; After, April 10, 2018 rate is \$ 199.49

***MONARCH INN**, 47 rooms located in the center of Mariposa, CA.

Internal halls, 4 floors, Elevator/Lift, Microwave, Refrig. and Coffee in room; Expanded Continental Breakfast included. Free WiFi, Free Parking; Seasonal swimming pool. Close to shops and Restaurants-No pets

5059 Hwy 140, P. O. Box 2193, Mariposa, CA. 95338

Telephone: (209)966-4288 FAX: (209) 966-4788

Email: info@monarchinn.com

www.monarchinn.com

RATE: \$ 154.00 QQ 2 People (+ \$10. Additional persons)

Good till April 10, 2018; After April 10, 2018 rate is \$ 179.49

Other Hotels:

MARIPOSA LODGE, 44 units located in the center of Mariposa 7 buildings, 1-2 story no elevator. Exterior halls. Outdoor pool, hot tub, Microwave, mini refrigerator, coffee in room, iron, hairdryer. Pet friendly extra fee.

5052 Hwy 140 Mariposa, CA Telephone 209-966-3607 Toll Free 1-800-966-8819

Rate not set until January 2018—Call for rate

Restful Nest B & B 4274 Buckeye Creek Rd Mariposa CA 1-800-664-7127 **Call for rate**

Comfort Inn 4994 Bullion St Mariposa CA 209-966-4344 **Call for rate**

Use Trip Advisor to check remarks on hotels:

https://www.tripadvisor.com/Hotels-g32685-Mariposa_California-Hotels.html

Meeting Hall:

Bootjack Stompers Hall

4462 Mormon Bar Crossing, Mariposa

Gardens:

Kanarowski Garden

6147 Smither Rd, Mariposa

Collings Garden

50858 Road 63, Oakhurst CA 2

Travel Times:

Hotels to Hall 2-3 Minutes

Hall to Kanarowski's Garden 20 Minutes

Kanarowski's to Colling's Garden 37 Minutes

Colling's Garden to Hotel 39 Minutes



**Region 14 Spring Regional Event
“Butterflies in the Mountains”**

**Co-sponsored by Region 14 and San Joaquin Iris Society
Guest Speaker – Rick Tasco, Superstition Iris Garden**

**Conference Hall
Bootjack Stomper’s Hall
4462 Mormon Bar Crossing
Mariposa CA**

HOTEL

See website for hotel choices.

**To receive the discount rate, use the name Regional Iris Society when making your reservation.
The room rate is available until April 10, 2018 at Best Western and Monarch Hotels
See website for hotel choices.**

Registrant #1 First Name _____ Last Name _____

Registrant #2 First Name _____ Last Name _____

Address _____ City _____ ST _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ E-mail for confirmation _____

Local Iris Society _____

Registration fee if paid by April 10th 2018 \$ 80.00 x person (s) _____ Total \$ _____

if paid after April 10th 2018 \$90.00 x person (s) _____ Total \$ _____

(No refunds after April 30th 2018)

Registration includes lunch and dinner on Saturday

Please indicate registrant # 1 or #2 for lunch choice

Lunch:

Roast Beef Sandwich _____

Ham Sandwich _____

Turkey Sandwich _____

Veggie Sandwich _____

Dinner Buffet includes: Catered Mexican cuisine

Please make checks payable to Region 14.

Please send registration to: Kathy Braaten 10288 Kenwood Dr Grass Valley CA 95949

E-mail katbrat@cebridge.net Phone 530 477-2811

Judges Training Sunday May 13th 9am Kanarowski’s Garden

Will attend Yes _____ No _____ Maybe _____

Iris Show Friday May 11th Bootjack Stomper’s Hall

Will enter Yes _____ No _____ Maybe _____

Iris Entries accepted Friday 2:00-4:30pm Judging at 5:00pm

Carolyn Hoover Show Chair--yischoover@sti.net

Meeting Region 14 Board/General meeting Friday, May 11th, 2018, 7:00 pm

Yes _____ No _____ Maybe _____

2019 National Convention Preparation

Local preparation for the 2019 AIS National Convention is underway. As the Guest Iris Coordinator, Riley has taken charge of thousands of rhizomes being shipped by hybridizers. Tasks include unpacking, recording, and separating the irises for distribution to display gardens. Jeff Bennett created enviable beds at Dry Creek Park in Union City, complete with irrigation, and he penciled hundreds of labels. A team of seven volunteers, (Worker Bees) from sponsoring club Mount Diablo Iris Society, arrived at Dry Creek on the morning of October 1st to begin planting: Jeff, Riley, Shirley, Jan, Mary, Kathy O., and Linda. Labels were organized and soon marked the rhizome placement. Rhizomes were unpacked and placed by the corresponding label, and planting began.

A coyote, deer, skunk, and hawks peered at our progress. A group of vultures were way too attentive and Riley suggested we keep moving! The latter four “Worker Bees” left mid-afternoon, while Jeff, Shirley, and Riley continued work. Monday and Tuesday from morning until too dark to see found the three stalwart Worker Bees still placing and planting rhizomes. On subsequent days,



Right: Jan and Mary organizing seedling labels
Left: Progress: Shirley, Riley, Mary, Jan, & Jef

Photo by Eileen Roark

“Worker Bee” Jeff planted an additional 100 rhizomes reaching a total of 696... so far. Jeff will be creating more beds as rhizomes continue to arrive. Careful tracking and crosschecking resulted in only one seedling rhizome being missing. And the “Queen Bee” coordinating the 2019 convention? That would be Shirley, the Convention Chairperson. A huge THANK YOU for these amazingly energetic and dedicated volunteers!!!

Linda Wood Mount Diablo Iris Society

AIS REGION 14 FALL MEETING SHOW

The Leo T. Clark Iris Society hosted the Region 14 Fall Meeting at the Ramada Plaza Hotel in Chico, CA on October 27th & 28th. In conjunction with the meeting they sponsored a Reblooming Iris Show on Friday October 27th. There were 18 different cultivars entered by 8 different exhibitors. Carol Cullen was Show Chair. Selected Best TB & Best in Show was Rosalie Figge, Tall bearded by Jane McKnew, 1993. Selected Best Bearded Other Than Tall was Golden Violet, SDB J. Weiler 1993. Both were exhibited by Riley Probst/Shirley Trio Probst of Modesto, CA, Riley & Shirley also won the Silver Medal with 4 blue ribbons. Other exhibitors included: Carol Cullen, Elaine Fischer, Kathy Hutchinson, Jane Jordan, Mikey Lango, Marilyn Matsa & Craig Tarr.

Some of the other irises entered in the show were: Artistic Showoff, TB Betty Wilkerson 2010; Darkling, SDB Monty Byers 1989; Delta Lady, TB Larry Lauer 2009; Feed Back, TB Ben Hager 1983; Happy New Year, TB Monty Byers 1990; Iceland, TB Monty Byers 1991; Living On The Edge, TB Larry Lauer 2009; Low Ho Silver, IB Monty Byers 1989; Lunar Whitewash, TB Sterling Innerst 2003; Mariposa Autumn, TB Rick Tasco 1999; Tart, SDB Ben Hager 1991; Total Recall, TB Ben Hager 1992; Violet Reprise, TB Walter Moores 1993 and Violet

Scent, TB Don Spoon 2013. Irises winning blue ribbons were: Rosalie Figge, Golden Violet, Living On The edge, Tart, Total Recall and Violet Scent.

There have been only a few reblooming fall shows but they are increasing and the number of entries is increasing. Mike and George Sutton used to concentrate on hybridizing rebloomers but since George passed away and Mike moved to Idaho where the growing season is much shorter we have seen only a few reblooming introductions.

There is a fellow on the east coast that is putting out quite a few quality rebloomers. Mike Lockett has introduced some beauties and has a large number of reblooming seedlings for the future. Perhaps some of the Region 14 affiliates will consider ordering door prize irises from Mike so we can test the reblooming capability here in our climate and soil.

Let's get some rhizome exchange programs going on the affiliate level so we can keep the reblooming shows going and increase the amount of entries in those shows. I for one will be glad to bring reblooming rhizomes to the club meetings.

Riley Probst Science Chair

Judges Training Report Spring 2018

~ Alleah Haley

Region 14 is well-represented by participants in its judges training program, which includes some 85 members: 25 garden/exhibition judges, 18 master judges, 7 apprentices, 18 students (candidates), 4 emeritus judges, and 13 retired judges. As we anticipate the spring iris bloom season, show committees are busily lining up judges for their shows. Contact information for all Region 14 accredited judges is on the Region 14 website: www.aisregion14.org. Click on the Events tab, then on Judges Training. Under Forms choose Region 14 Judges Roster 2017-18. I encourage show committees to choose a mix of new and experienced judges, with consideration of travel distance when inviting judges. In a pinch, retired judges may serve on a show panel with two active judges.

As of January 1, 2018 Region 14's newest accredited judges are:

Betty Bridger, Fowler
Barbara Hawkins, Ceres
Jane Jordan, San Jose
Douglas Kanarowski, Mariposa

Judges should accept invitations to judge whenever they reasonably can. To consistently decline to judge is considered dereliction of duty.

Committees are also encouraged to assist apprentices in meeting their training requirements which include apprenticing two shows during the maximum three-year training period. Only one apprentice may serve on each panel of judges. An apprentice does not have a vote in awarding ribbons but should carefully observe the judging to learn. Region 14 apprentices are:

Gail Collings, Oakhurst
Gary Collings, Oakhurst
Cindy Eastman, Grass Valley
Patricia Eisenberg, Reno
Mark Greene, Los Gatos
Bernice Hendrix, Ceres
Amberlee Pick, Coarsegold

Committees should feel free to contact me for contact information on apprentices.

Now's the time for show committees, judges, apprentices, and students to review the AIS Handbook for Judges and Show Officials. A thorough study of this book each year will help ensure that shows run properly and that judges constantly improve their skills. You must take your copy to each show and training session you attend.

The primary duty of an AIS judge is to evaluate iris varieties in the garden. The judge should evaluate varieties over a minimum two-year period, starting with the entire plant (appearance of foliage, increase, stalk, branching and bud count, conformance to class requirements). When judges vote their AIS Awards Ballot, they are recommending superior varieties to the public. The ballot should be mailed out soon, and judges should read and study it along with the pertinent sections in the Judges Handbook in advance of garden visits so as to maximize the likelihood of evaluation of as many candidates for awards as possible. Apprentices receive a ballot marked "Void" for use in their study. Judges should keep a notebook with them and take copious specific notes to help in voting the ballot. Start making plans to visit gardens and be sure to sign up for the Spring Regional and scheduled judges training sessions as the information becomes available. Remember that failure to sign and return their AIS ballot two years in a row will result in automatic disqualification of the accredited judge. Candidate and apprentice judges as well as accredited judges have specific training requirements which must be met, so review your status and training needs before the start of the bloom season to ensure that you get the training you need.

The Region 14 Star Award for the judge accumulating the most judges training hours during the 2016-17 year went to Carolyn Hoover of Coarsegold with 15.5 hours. The most hours accumulated by an Apprentice was 16.5 by Jane Jordan, closely followed by Barbara Hawkins with 15.5.

SYMPOSIUM FACTS

This year (2017) a total of 7,094 individual votes for irises were cast for the AIS Symposium. Region 14 cast the most votes with 1,464 or 20.6% of the total. The next highest number of ballots was 792 by Region 18, then 684 by Region 17, then 527 by Region 15 followed by 507 from Region 7.

This year 35 different hybridizers had irises in the top 100. Schreiner's had the most irises on the list with 16. They were followed closely by Keith Keppel who had 15 irises on the list. The newest iris on the list is Good Morning Sunshine, T. Johnson 2014. The oldest iris on the list is Stepping Out, Schreiner 1964.

Region 14 votes on 2017 Symposium Ballot

Total number of votes: 1459

Total number of ballots: 67

Highest number of votes in declining order:

33 That's All Folks

- 27 Gypsy Lord, Queen's Circle,
- 25 Dusky Challenger
- 23 Magical
- 20 Starring
- 19, Golden Panther, Montmartre, Skating Party
- 18 Mesmerizer
- 17 Absolute Treasure
- 16 Drama queen, Rustler, Lady Friend, Opposites,
Paul Black
- 15 Florentine Silk
- 14 Bravery
- 13 Black Magic Woman, Decadence, Splashacata,
Going my way
- 12 Conjuraton, Haunted Heart, Kathy Chilton,
Sharp dressed Man, Jessies Song
- 11 Autumn Explosion, Center Ice, Italian Ice, Plot
Line, Reckless Abandon, Superhero, Tem
poral Anomaly, Tijuana Taxi

Affiliate Happenings

Clara B. Rees Iris Society

In September, we began our year with the installation of new officers and directors in a skit that featured visitations from Clara and Ruth Rees. Afterwards we broke into small groups to brainstorm ideas for programs for the coming year. In October we viewed an AIS presentation with lots of photos of Japanese, Louisiana, Pacific Coast, Siberian, Spuria, and Species iris. Then we had a lively auction of recent beardless iris with Carolyn Craft as our auctioneer. Plus there were many additional beardless irises for the door prize drawing. In November, we heard a presentation from Sajeemas "Mint" Pasakdee, Master Gardener and Master Composter, on "Soil Fertility Management for Growing Iris". We also invited our members to come dressed as an Iris. Some of the irises represented were Rodeo Blue, Black Lipstick, and Money in Your Pocket, Carved Pumpkin, and Ghirardelli Square. There were lots of Pacific Coast Irises available for our door prize drawing. In December, we had our annual pot luck dinner and Christmas Party. There was turkey and ham and a plethora of yummy side dishes and desserts.

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We finished with a gift exchange where you could select a gift from the table or steal one from someone who has already opened a gift. A good time was had by all. Happy New Year! As always our meetings are held on the first Friday of the month. We welcome visitors.

Jane Jordan President

Fresno Iris Society -- No report

High Desert Iris Society

We have a new president. Stephanie Jennings will be holding the reins for our club. We continue to meet on the second Saturday of each month from 2-4 pm in a community meeting location or a members' home.

We have invited the members of Region 14 to come and see us for the fall Regional meeting of 2018. For more information on the fall Regional meeting contact Patricia Eisenberg at peisenberg45@gmail.com

James M. Gibson Iris Society

We continue to hold our meetings in Tulare at 1701 E. Prosperity Ave. but we are starting to burst at the seams. We will have to discuss a new meeting place if we keep

growing at the rate we are. In keeping with Region 14 and the American Iris Society JMGIS voted in 3 year terms for the board so there was no election this year.

At this time we are looking forward to the annual Porterville celebration "Iris Days". We have a large booth for selling irises. For the last 2 years we have had 300-400 pots and have completely sold out by 2 pm. This year the dates are April 27-29 from 9-5 all three days.

Our project with the irises planted down Main Street is successful. The irises are rebloomers and they are doing their thing. As we slide into summer we will be selecting a nomination committee. Three years goes by so fast.

Leo T. Clark Iris Society

It has been a great summer and fall and winter for us. The guest iris digs in the fall at Frannie's and Horton Iris Garden were wonderful, as were our hosts!

Our members are looking forward to the upcoming spring. Since we had to cancel our Spring 2017 Iris Show (due to weather suppressing our bloom) we hope to make things up by having a show that is twice as good and by showing some new beauties to the public along with the oldies-but-goodies and everything in between at our Spring show at the Chico Mall on Sat-Sun, April 21-22, 2018.

We held our two annual rhizome sales this summer, one at Ft. Bragg, CA during the Paul Bunyan Days Arts and Crafts Fair during the Labor Day weekend, and the other was at the Durham Harvest Festival on Sunday, September 17th in Durham, CA. Both sales were very successful, and we were glad to see iris growers that have been returning for years to purchase from us, along with some beginners.

On October 7, we took a fall field trip to Spring Fever Nursery and Gardens in Yankee Hill, CA. The nursery and grounds were spectacular, with a whole host of fall-blooming plants showcasing their presence. Hosts David and Cathy Walther were hospitable and gracious and invited us back for another tour in spring, an invitation that we intend to accept—our hosts assured us that the nursery is even more magnificent during that time of year.

We were proud to host the AIS Region 14 Fall Regional "Going Beardless" this year. Speaker Chad Harris from Mt. Pleasant Iris Farm graciously provided a wealth of information regarding the cultivation and growth of Japanese irises. For the reblooming iris show, Riley and Shirley Probst took Queen of Show with their magnificent stalk "Rosalie Figge." Everyone involved made this Regional a pleasant and seamless event! A huge congratulation and thank you to everyone who participated!

We held our annual Christmas party with gift exchange and potluck on December 3 at member Kathy Hutchinson's home in Durham. Anyone attending brought a wrapped gift (~\$10), and several members brought "goodies" to share. We attended mostly for fun, festivities, and food, but we also put together an agenda for the upcoming year. For 2018, we have discussed plans for a presentation and discussion by the North Valley Orchid Society, along with the return field trip to Yankee Hill. Any suggestions for future club activities are always welcome.

You can always get in touch with members of the LTCIS at our website: <http://leotclarkirissociety.org/>

Thank you! Deb Rojas, Co-President LTCIS

Monterey Bay Iris Society

The Monterey Bay Iris Society had a great year. We have over 70 members on our roster and although all are not current we usually have 30+ show up to our meeting held at the Simpkins Swim Center in Santa Cruz, on 17th street, the third Friday of most months at 19:00 hours....that is 7 P.M. for the Pacific Standard time users. All are welcome to our meetings. If you are in the area, we would love to have you drop by for dinner and stay for the meeting. In Feb. we will have a potluck, and in March we celebrate St. Patrick's Day with a full corned beef dinner made by Brenda Wood, May is Pizza month and June.... well you get the picture. Refer to our website for dates and times as well as contact info for the officers.

We have 6 current members that have introduced iris through AIS. Most of our members contribute to a huge pool of knowledge regarding the iris basics. The basics being; growing, blooming and battling predators of all things iris. Most of the members live in Zone 9a or 9b and many types of iris can be grown in this climate. We do struggle with Japanese and Siberian due to the absence of cold winters but some members do persevere.

Our annual show is slated for April 27 & 28 to be held at the Loudon Nelson Center in downtown Santa Cruz. Entries accepted at 7am – 9:30 am on Saturday. We have a large seedling show. Admission is free for the two day show and we have a small amount of potted iris for sale during this time.

This year we held 4 sales that allowed the society to stay in the black, fund door prizes and promote speakers. These sales start in June at the Scotts Valley Garden Fair and end in late August at the Monterey Farmers Market. Two of our club digs are at the Ghio Ranch and the Cummins garden just prior to our larger sales. Prices this year were 4\$ a rhizome and many "extras" are always added in.

Our annual Christmas Gala was held this year

at the California Grill in Watsonville. 46 attended and the White Elephant gift exchange was the highlight. Bird houses this year were the popular gift, we had 6 of them.

Jim and Irene Cummins are hosting a guest garden for the 2019 AIS National Convention. Region 14 is hosting the event and the Cummins Garden in Scott's Valley is a very pleasant and restful setting that is easily accessible with lots of shade and parking, if you are lucky you may see a wild turkey or 10.

And last of all, the society president, Craig Tarr, was elected as Central Area Director for Region 14 for the 2018-2020 term.....wish him luck!

Mt. Diablo Iris Society

Our club had a nice and successful 2017 year ending with a festive and fun Pot Luck Dinner and PCI auction in November. It was a time to enjoy each other's company, relax and savor all the special foods members' brought to share and sample.

December had no meeting but we resumed our meetings in January 2018 in San Ramon, CA. at the Iron Horse School. We will meet there through March. Then return to the Lindsay Wildlife Museum for the remainder of the year.

All of our elected Officers will remain in place for the 2018 year. The club has implemented a 2 year term for the board and all Officers and it has worked well without disruption. Our current President last year and next is Mary Sindicic.

As winter hangs on we admire the stalwart reblooming irises that brighten our otherwise dreary days, we await the 2018 catalogs from our talented and admired Hybridizers. A huge "Thank-You" to all of them for their persistence, dedication for high quality and of course the outstanding beauty that each created iris presents.

February brings flowers and the end to dreary days. Iris bloom time is just around the corner. Our show is April 7 & 8 at the Livermore Alden Lane Nursery. We will offer a few hundred pots for sale including a lot of reblooming irises

Our club wishes each Region 14 member a wonderful and exciting 2018!

Eileen Roark

Sacramento Iris Society

SIS has a new President, Cindy Eastman, who was President of our sister club Sierra Foothills last year. We have changed our meetings to the third Tues of each month at 5:30 pm (no meeting June, July, Aug) to accommodate working folks and also people who do not want to drive late at night. We are hoping that this compromise will increase meeting attendance.

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Cindy Eastman, President of the Sacramento Iris Society conducting an iris sale, photo by Phyllis Wilburn

We participate in two sales each year at the Shepard Garden and Arts Center in Sacramento, where we also have our meetings and Show. The first Sale is in March 17-18, chaired by Stan Logan, where we will sell potted iris from the batch of 400 that we potted last August.



Sacramento Iris Society conducting an iris sale. Photo by Phyllis Wilburn

Our show will follow on April 21-22, with Kathy Braaten as chair of the show.

In spring we will also have several garden visits which are yet to be arranged, but one will be to Lucy and Bill Fink's garden in Diamond Springs.

We had a rousing Holiday Party with a lively gift exchange and Bingo with Past President, Ruth Ostroff calling the numbers to blackout - the prizes go fast. Our refreshment Chair Fran Shields, made the tables festive with lovely decorations, and the potluck was great. Bill Fink brought the turkey, as usual, and Fran brought the ham, with side dishes galore from others. The gift exchange was lively with new member Claire Waggoner losing the most gifts to steals, but she ended with a lovely iris umbrella. We are looking forward to a good year with several new members.

Phyllis Wilburn, SIS Lore Editor

San Joaquin Iris Society -- No report

Santa Rosa Iris Society

Now that the holidays are but a distant memory we can look ahead to the new year. It's always full of hope for a better future. Better gardens, better friendships, better health. We don't ask for much, happiness is enough. We make our resolutions knowing most won't be fulfilled, but setting goals is the important part. Something to achieve that contributes to our happiness. Getting out in the garden for exercise on a crisp morning, longing to see those first iris stalks coming up that we strained to plant last fall. Our strength is in finding what's important to us and achieving those realistic goals, however large or small. The show is April 28-29 along with the potted iris sale. The location as always is the Luther Burbank Arts and Garden Center,

The meetings are on the second Monday of the month at the Luther Burbank Garden and Arts Center. All are welcome.

Jeff Davis President SRIS

Shasta Iris Society -- No report

Sierra Foothills Society

We are starting off the New Year with a change in our officers for 2018.

SFIS officers:

President Kathy Braaten - katbrat@cebridge.net

1VP Show Chair Cindy Eastman

Secretary Jackie Brown

Treasurer Bob Matherly

Last year we decided to forego our annual show as we were hosting the Spring Regional show in Sacramento. This year our annual show and potted iris sale will be back but with a different venue. We are moving our show to Prospector's Nursery in Nevada City. They are very excited to house our show and potted sale. The date will be back on schedule as well. So come see our show on May 5th and 6th at Prospector's Nursery 10003 Grandholm Lane, Nevada City. Show hours open to the public will be Saturday 1-4 and Sunday 10-3. You're also invited to enter your irises. Contact our show chair Cindy Eastman for more information. rocind@att.net

We will hold our annual rhizome sale at Eisley's Nursery 380 Nevada St Auburn CA on July 28th 2018 from 9 am to 3 pm and July 29th 2018 10 am to 2 pm. The date for our annual fall potted iris sale at Prospector's Nursery will be announced at a later time.

Our monthly meetings are held the 4th Tuesday

of each month except July, November and December in the City of Auburn's Rose Room located at 1225 Lincoln Way Auburn CA. We start our meetings at 7pm with our program first. We are always on the lookout for interesting speakers so if you have something to share please let us know.

Kathy Braaten President

Sidney B. Mitchell Iris Society

The SBMIS is gearing up for several events in the next few months. We will be selling potted irises at the Alameda County Home and Garden Show in February. The show is held at the Alameda County Fairgrounds in Pleasanton and is open noon to 6 p.m. on Friday February 16, then the next day February 17 from 10:00 am- 6:00 pm. on Sunday February 18 from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. Please e-mail me at jeanrichter@berkeley.edu for free tickets to the show.

Our annual Iris show and potted irises sale will be held Saturday April 21 and Sunday April 22 at the Oakland Garden Center located in Merritt Park. Entries are accepted from 7:00-9:30 am on the 21st, and the show is open to the public from 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm on Saturday and 10:00 am-5:00 pm on Sunday.

We haven't yet finalized our speakers for our upcoming meetings, but please check our web site at www.bayareairis.org for updates. We meet at 7:30 pm on the fourth Friday of the month at the Oakland Garden Center.

Jean Richter President SBMIS

Westbay Iris Society -- No report

Yosemite Iris Society

Our New Year starts off slowly. We do not have a meeting in January due to the fog and sometimes icy roads.

We will resume our meetings in February at what has become our regular meeting place, Denny's Restaurant on highway 41 in Oakhurst at 7 pm. Most of us meet a little earlier and have dinner with each other. Our club is hosting the spring show that will be held in Mariposa in May. We are so looking forward to that. We move into summer with our weekly sales and our potting parties. We are just a little cooler in the summertime up here in the mountains. If you want some heat relief come and see up. The YIS continues to work with the large CIP program at the Coarsegold School. We continue to support our 15 year old youth member that will become a judge this year.

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