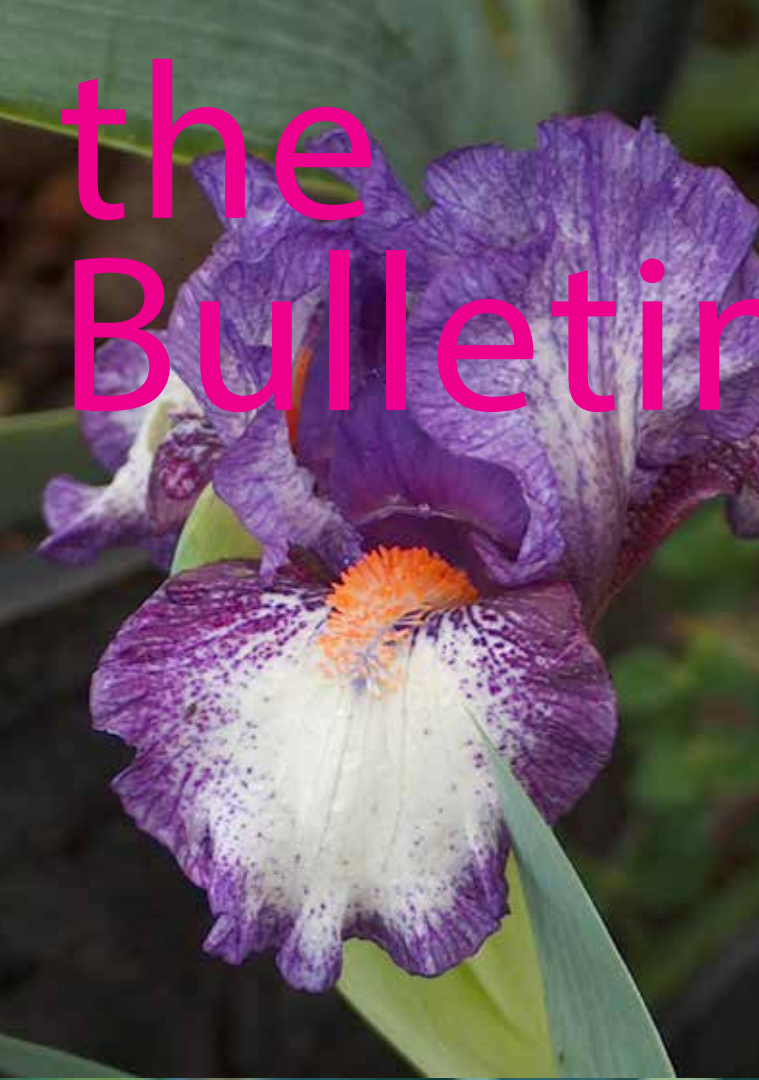


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clockwise from upper left:

Electrifying (SDB) (Black 2009)

Scone (MTB) (G. Sutton 2010)

Seminole Autumn (LA) (Wolford 2006)

Leave The Light On (IB) (Probst 2013)

photos: Riley Probst



Oh, Glorious Spring!
As I write this spring is just wishful thinking, but by the time we see this in print, we will be seeing daffodils, pink dogwood,

flowering quince and all the other harbingers of spring. Can the dwarf iris be far behind? I know that the hybridizers are ready to have you see their 2017 introductions in publication, web site, or better yet, in the garden. It is always exciting to get catalogs, to peruse the new introductions and anticipate placing an order. We should all be looking forward to our iris shows.

I have been spraying for leaf spot, weeding, fertilizing and doing maintenance in preparation for the spring bloom. Hopefully, the gophers won't get the best of me this year, as they did last year. I caught three, but that is a drop in the bucket compared to the population I have.

Garden visits are one of the pleasures that I look forward to in the spring. I enjoy my own garden immensely, but to see other gardens is a real treasure trove of ideas and enjoyment, especially when shared with like-minded people. That is what Spring Regional meetings are all about. Oh sure, there is a business meeting that I must hold, in addition to other pleasant activities such as the silent auction, iris show, banquet, speaker and judges training. But the main event is the garden visits. If you have not signed up for this upcoming Spring Regional meeting in Sacramento April 21-23, I encourage you to do so. We have two large and wonderful commercial gardens for you to visit, the Shield's Garden, also known as Frannie's Iris Garden, in Elk Grove, and Horton's Iris Garden in Loomis. We will be carpooling from the Hotel in Sacramento, which is midway between the two. Both gardens are on the list of gardens for the

2019 AIS National Convention, so this is a chance to get a preview. Of course, the guest iris will be different in 2019, but the gardens will be the same.

Our guest speaker and trainer is Dell Perry from Texas, and we are very excited to hear her speak. In addition, Ruth Ostroff will have her garden in Rio Linda, open for visits during the Spring Regional. She does not have any guest iris, but she has a collection of 2016 introductions as well as Dykes medal winners and a lovely garden overall.

Have you told anyone about our scholarship? The \$1,000 scholarship that is being chaired by Lorraine Nicolson, is available to students who are studying Horticulture, Floriculture, or a related subject. If you know a student who might qualify, you should direct them to our web site (aisregion14.org) for more information. Additional money has been donated this year toward the scholarship fund, so it may result in two scholarships, or one that is well over \$1,000.

Speaking of garden visits! I am having my annual open garden this year on Sun. April 30, 8:00 am to 2:00 pm. If you are interested in coming to Rescue, about 40 miles from Sacramento, to visit my garden in a rustic foothills setting, please email me or call for directions. If you are a judge and want to give a garden training, or one-on-one training in my garden, I encourage you to arrange it through our JT chair, Alleah Haley. For Judges, Apprentices and Students, garden training is the most difficult to get, as the season is short and training opportunities are limited. I want to encourage all clubs and judges to organize a garden training in your area. This can often be done in conjunction with your show if you have a garden available nearby. If you are a Judge and have never given garden training, I encourage you to start now. This is how we keep new judges coming up in our Region.

This year the Tall Bearded Symposium Ballot will be included in your AIS Spring Bulletin. I encourage you to vote either right away, or put a note on your calendar to vote later. Last year we had a very poor voting record from Region 14 and I know that we can do better. All AIS members are eligible to vote.

As I weed my iris beds in anticipation of a glorious display, I also look forward to seeing all of you in Sacramento for the Spring Regional Meeting, April 21-23, 2017.



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Editor's Notes ~ Shirley Trio-Probst



Iris stalks are popping up everywhere. Has it been almost a year that we last saw such a flush of color? I am rewarded with stalks almost all of the time. In the big valley there were areas that had more frost this year, my area was one. We had, give or take a day or two, about 12 mornings of such heavy frost that it appeared to have snowed on the roofs of houses. Heavy frost will knock

out a stalk. However, for the light frosts, putting socks over your unopened stalks will save them from frost. We are fortunate that spring arrives in our area in February and these months of March, April and May show us the most lovely time of the year. Enjoy and savor all of it. Remember to visit the gardens at the higher elevations. If your bloom is in April many of the mountain gardens bloom in May. Take a sack lunch or stop at Subway on your way up and make a day of it. You may notice a color difference. Where the sun is not so harsh the blooms are a little more vibrant.

April 21-23 we get to tour the regional planting gardens. Both gardens are huge with hundreds of irises plus the special regional plantings. Keep in mind as you tour these wonderful perfect gardens that much of what you see will be offered in the Regional summer sale. Be sure to bring it up to your club presidents that by purchasing these irises you not only help the region but get some wonderful bargains and future door prizes. Support the region; put your club name on the list for irises this summer.

This April is a good time to fill out your application papers to begin the judges' training program. If you have complaints about your show and how something was done, the best way to deal with it is to become a judge yourself.

Do not forget to pay attention to the fragrance of an iris when visiting gardens or working in your own garden. No two irises smell the same and the fragrance of most of them is wonderful.

Support the affiliates by attending the judges' trainings and the regional meetings. There is a lot of work put into these meetings. You don't have to be a judge to attend a judges' training, but you can learn to grow your own irises better. You can learn the components that make an iris a good one or maybe you will discover that your iris that falls over every year is not because of something you have done but it may be a poor iris. Irises can be perfect in one area and not so perfect when grown 200 miles away.

Give a new hybridizer a chance this year when you sit down with your lists and catalogs.

So much to do this spring, the AIS ballots are coming out, the Symposium is coming out, some of the AIS Sections have symposiums.

The AIS National Convention is not too far away this year. Des Moines Iowa is the place to be May 23-27. If you have not yet attended a National you should go to this one and get a taste of hundreds and hundreds of irises all in bloom at the same time and perfectly laid out for optimal viewing.

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A note from your designer --

I'm running late with this issue, but we received many things extremely late.

Thanks Riley, for this issue's cat picture!
photo below by Riley Probst: Seminole Autumn (Wolford 2006) with kitty Romeo, who is brother to Juliet, Topsy, and our Little Kitty.

~ Gesine



Region 14 Bulletin!

image from Lloyd Austin and his wonderful "Rainbow Offerings" catalog

Iris Blooming Now ~ Spring 2017

~ photos by Riley Probst, unless otherwise noted

Region 14 is a good area for rebloom. To encourage your rebloomers to rebloom, give them extra water and fertilizer, particularly after spring bloom. And some iris are just showing early bloom!



above: Barn Dance (Byers 1991)

below: Daughter of Stars (D. Spoon 2001)



above: Iris confusa -- this variant is from Marjorie Murray and is more blue than usual (photo: Jean Richter)

below: Bombay Eyes (H. Nichols 2009)



Iris Blooming Now ~ Spring 2017

~ photos by Riley Probst, unless otherwise noted



above: Good Day Sunshine (IB) (Lauer 1998)
below: Gold Reprise (Moores 1988)



above: Golden Immortal (G. Sutton 1997)
below: Golden Violet (SDB) (Weiler 1993)



Iris Blooming Now ~ Spring 2017

~ photos by Riley Probst, unless otherwise noted



above: Anxious (Hager 1992)

below: Autumn Explosion (Tasco 2013)



above: Deep Burgundy (IB) (M. Sutton 2011)

below: Texas Two Step (G. Sutton 2013)



Iris Blooming Now ~ Spring 2017

~ photos by Riley Probst, unless otherwise noted



above: Shabaza (AB) (G. Sutton 2001)

below: Berry Ripple (G. Sutton 2003)



above: Pieces of April (Burseen 2005)

below: Good Morning Beautiful (Stanton 2015)



Classroom Iris Project (CIP) ~ AIS Youth

~ Mrs. Carolyn Hoover, CIP Leader

The 135 AIS Youth members have not been able to get out into the two iris gardens at Coarsegold Elementary School, due to the 16 days of rain in January and two days of snow. California needs the rain, but we have over 50 inches of rain in the Sierra Foothills of Coarsegold this year and creeks and dams are overflowing. Lakes are now full again after the four year drought in California.

Many of our youths have been working on their 500 word essay for the Ackerman Essay Youth Contest due March 21, 2017. We had two Coarsegold winners in 2016: a 4th grader, and an 8th grader for the winner in her age division. Both young ladies received \$100 cash from AIS. There was a three way tie, and my granddaughter, of Reno, NV also won a \$100. Wow!! As a mentor of all three AIS youths, I was thrilled at their accomplishments!!

Over 50 students from Coarsegold CIP did enter the Annual AIS National Youth "Coloring Contest" in fall of 2016 and winners were announced in December 2016. There were many 2nd place winners and the best in AIS overall went to our own AIS Youth, the same 8th grader who won in the Ackerman Essay. She was so surprised to win but happy to receive the \$50 cash from AIS. Every entry won a \$1 or more.

Our 8th grader mentioned above has also been nominated for the "Clarke Cosgrove Memorial Youth Achievement Award 2017." We are waiting to hear if she will be the winner this year and receive the award at the AIS National Convention in Des Moines in May. As the mentor and CIP Leader for her for the

past five years, I have seen her win the AIS Youth Ackerman Essay Contest 2016 and four time silver medal Youth winner at the Yosemite Iris Society Iris shows (2012-16). She is currently enrolled and attending training to be an AIS Judge. Way to go girl! We are certain she has the "iris virus" as she grows over 130 different varieties at her home garden now.

In April, 2017 the CIP's at Coarsegold are having their 2nd Annual Garden Tour and outdoor luncheon. AIS 4th grade youth will travel by school bus to the Hoover's Creek Ranch Iris Garden and Bill Tyson's Hillside Iris Garden of Coarsegold. The students are looking forward to this iris field trip. Many thanks to Mrs. V. Glines for organizing this fun and educational field trip!

Bill Tyson, hybridizer (of "Broke Again", TB, and others) will also be a guest speaker with topic of "How to Hybridize Irises" at the Coarsegold School. Each month, I continue to donate a "Birthday Irises" and bring a nice, newer, potted, TB or IB from my iris garden to each AIS Youth who is having a birthday that month. Youths are now requesting "Rebloomers" and Space Agers. Gee, I should not have taught them so much about the iris!! I can't wait for spring to arrive and get out in the garden and pull weeds and wait for the blooms to come!! If you want any information on any of these youth projects and ideas, please contact me: yischoover@gmail.com

Mrs. Carolyn Hoover, CIP Leader

Mrs. Victoria Glines, CIP Leader

Mr. Johnson, CIP Leader



Iris Gardening Hints & Tips

~ Philippa Alvis

March:

- ***If you haven't fertilized yet do it now.** Use 6-20-10, alfalfa or what ever you normally use but do it now.
- *Weed control is crucial for late blooming MDB's and SD's.
- *Watch for slugs and snails as new growth appears and plants grow. Pick snails by hand late evening or early morning by flashlight. (*yuck! Editor*) Or apply a pet safe slug bait such as Sluggo, inside pet proof containers that only slugs and snails can enter. In the event of no rain begin to water just enough to keep the roots moist. Overhead watering may/will cause leaf spot.
- *Spray plants for fungal leaf spot if you see brown spots on the leaves. Use a garden fungicide and follow the manufacturers directions that appear on the package.
- *Trim off parts of affected leaves and put in the trash. DO NOT compost iris leaves. The leaf spot may live on to reinfect you garden again and be twice as bad.
- *For bacterial or crown rot, dig and destroy the plants. Also dispose of soil from the planting spot. It is contagious. Avoid replanting in that location for several months.
- *Begin to stake any flower bearing stalks if they begin to lean over.

April:

- *Bloom begins in earnest for TB's. MDB's and SDB's will have bloomed in Feb. and March, break off the spent stalks careful not to damage your seed pods. IB's are coming along now watch for insects and weeds. Deadhead and remove damaged or diseased leaves.
- *The Spuria are starting the bloom. Watch for aphids and ants. A stout stream of water will wash both away.
- *Continue pest control and snail/slug control.
- *Continue to stake stalks that look like they might fall over, the entire plant may be damaged if a stalk falls over.
- *Visit other gardens
- *Enter bloom stalks in local iris shows.
- *Make notes of new irises that you want to add to your garden and place your orders early.

May:

- *Continue weed and insect control and begin grass control. Use grass killer or edger to keep adjacent lawn grass from coming into beds.
- *Cut back all spent bloom stalks at a 45degree angle just above the rhizome. That is to keep water from standing on the old stalk and creating a perfect condition for rot.
- *Treat and maintain IB's, MTB's, BB's just as you do TB's.
- *After bloom very lightly fertilize again. Dig time is coming and this final feeding will provide a little sustenance when out of the ground.
- *Fertilize any iris that reblooms and continue to water rebloomers not less than once every two weeks. Rebloomers not receiving water for 3 weeks often will not rebloom. It is best to put all of your rebloomers together in one spot so the extra water will not cause rot in the once bloomers.
- *Siberians are starting to bloom JA's are starting to bloom. JA's are heavy feeders consider giving them a little more fertilizer or if growing in water add just a little liquid fertilizer to the water they are growing in.
- *Continue to order new iris and begin to make lists and plans for attending club sales and auctions.

Basics of Fertilizer

~ Riley Probst, Science Chair

What does a Science Chairman do? I'm not sure and no one else seems to know either. But after a long conversation with Bob Hollingworth who serves as Science Chair for the AIS I think I can do justice to the job. My first science article for Region 14 will cover the basics of fertilizer.

Everyone uses a different formula. No one formula is wrong unless the amount of nitrogen that you plan to use exceeds the other fertilizer ingredients. If your plants are healthy and growing then your method is good.

Have you ever wondered what those three numbers on fertilizer mean? NPK is a rating system describing the amount of nitrogen (N), phosphorus (P) and potassium (K) in a fertilizer. NPK ratings consist of three numbers separated by dashes such as 5-10-5, 12-12-12 or 6-20-10. The first number represents the percentage of nitrogen in the fertilizer, the second number represents the percentage of phosphorus and the third number the percentage of potassium. Sometimes there will be a fourth number which is sulfur. The rest of the fertilizer is composed of inert material which blends well with the other chemicals. A good way to remember which comes first is the letters are alphabetical, Nitrogen, Phosphorus and Potassium.

Nitrogen (N) is part of the chlorophyll molecule, which gives plants their green color and is involved in

creating nutrition for the plant through photosynthesis. Phosphorus (P) is critical in root development and flowering. Potassium (K) helps regulate plant metabolism and is important for good root development.

We use and recommend for irises 6-20-10. It is specially formulated for plants with bulbs or rhizomes. The formula we use also has 3% sulfur, 2% iron and 1% zinc. These are known as trace elements. It is a good practice to replenish trace elements in your soil as irises are heavy feeders when actively growing. For irises, most any fertilizer with a low first number (nitrogen) will be satisfactory.

Careful fertilization practices are important. Excess fertilizer can be detrimental to plants and soil. Fertilizer burn can occur when too much fertilizer is applied. This can result in drying out of the leaves and possible death of the plant. Too much nitrogen can cause soft rot in irises. Over use of fertilizers containing nitrogen can also cause soil acidification. This can lead to decreases in nutrient availability. Too much fertilizer can end up in the deep underground water systems.

In this article, I have only scratched the surface of knowledge of fertilizers. In another article, I will be more specific about fertilizing irises.

Larry Gaulter Lifetime Achievement Award

Please send your nominations to Jean Richter, jeanrichter@berkeley.edu.

Note that this prestigious award is a Lifetime Award.

This award is for those that have given of their time, energy, money, heart, tears and anything else you can think of, to Region 14.

right: Leave The Light On (Probst 2013), now blooming in our garden, luminous (*photo: Jean Richter*)



Judges' Training Report Spring 2017

~ Alleah Haley

The Region 14 website, www.aisregion14.org, is a good place to look for information about iris doings in Region 14 and its affiliate societies. As information becomes available, judges' training classes are posted there. From the home page, click on Events and then on Judges' Training. Show committees: please send your show date, times for entries and viewing, location with street address, theme, and judges' names to me as soon as these are nailed down. That way I can help get show information on the Region 14 website and help coordinate judges.

Region 14 currently has five apprentices: Betty Bridger, Cindy Eastman, Barbara Hawkins, Jane Jordan, and Doug Kanarowski. During the three-year apprenticeship period, each apprentice must apprentice two shows, receive 1:1 tutoring in the garden by an accredited AIS judge for two two-hour sessions, and complete a two-hour class on AIS Awards and Ballots. Shows are limited to one apprentice per panel of judges. Show committees should consider inviting one apprentice per panel to work their show. The Region also has a number of judge candidates (student judges). During their three-year candidacy period, judge candidates are required to complete 12 hours of judges' training including two one-hour 1:1 tutoring sessions from an accredited AIS judge: one session at a show or mock show (generally after the judging is completed) and one in the garden. I encourage judges to help apprentices and judge candidates meet their requirements by volunteering to tutor them at shows or in the garden. Please remember, all show apprentices, 1:1 tutoring, and judges' training sessions must be approved in advance by the regional Judges' Training Chairman.

As we approach spring, AIS judges, apprentices, and candidates should carefully review the "AIS Handbook for Judges and Show Officials" to refresh their memories of judging requirements and to hone their skills in preparation for the upcoming iris judging season. As judges prepare to judge a show, you should study the show schedule to familiarize yourself with what awards may be given and the requirements for those awards, look over the whole show to broadly evaluate the overall quality of the entries before starting to judge, listen carefully to the show chairman as he/she tells you about weather and

other circumstances that may have affected bloom quality, and don't forget to place yourself in the shoes of the exhibitor. Above all, aim for consistency in evaluating specimens and fairness in judging, being neither too harsh (awarding too few ribbons) or too lenient (awarding too many). A good knowledge of the scale of points for each class of iris will aid in this effort. Judges should carry their Handbook and refer to the scale of points as they judge the show.

Learning more about irises is something we all want to do, and judges' training provides a focused vehicle to do this. The rigorous AIS Region 14 Judges' Training program helps ensure that judges have the requisite knowledge to recommend truly outstanding irises to the gardening public to help "spread the word" about our favorite flower. The Region 14 requirements for classroom, garden, and exhibition training for each level of judgeship, from Candidate (Student), through Apprentice, Garden/Exhibition, Master, Retired, and Emeritus judges are found in the document "Guidelines for Training and Accreditation of Judges", which is included on the Region 14 website (www.aisregion14.org – click on Events and then on Judges' Training). Anyone considering becoming an AIS judge should download this document and study it.



above: Inner Space (SDB) (Tasco 2009), blooming this spring (photo: Riley Probst)

Judges' Training 2017 Calendar

~ Alleah Haley

Saturday, April 1, 2017

Yosemite Iris Society 1:00 P.M.
2 hours garden credit, Medians
Given by Riley Probst
Hoover garden, 45812 Old Corral Rd., Coarsegold,
CA 93614
Snacks and drinks provided
Contact Carolyn Hoover (yischoover@sti.net),
559-658-7632

Monday, April 4, 2017

Las Vegas Iris Society 6:30 P.M.
1 hour classroom credit, Exhibition Judging
Given by Dorlene Waite
Nevada Garden Club Building
800 Twin Lakes Dr., Las Vegas, Nevada
Contact Dorlene Waite (lvirises@aol.com),
702-876-1525

Monday, April 10, 2017

Santa Rosa Iris Society 7:00 P.M.
1 hour classroom credit, What Judges Look for at the
Show -- Given by Jim Begley and Ross BeVier
Luther Burbank Art & Garden Center
2050 Yulupa Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA
Contact Ross BeVier (bevier@sonic.net),
707-537-6825

Saturday, April 15, 2017

2:30 P.M.
2 hours garden credit, Tall Bearded in the Garden
Given by Dorlene Waite
Meagher garden, 4624 Tennessee Walker Ave, North

Las Vegas, NV 89031
Contact Dorlene Waite (lvirises@aol.com),
702-876-1525

Saturday, April 22, 2017

at 2017 Region 14 Spring Meeting 3:30 – 5:00 P.M.
1 ½ hours classroom credit, What are the Rules?
Given by Dell Perry, Plano, TX
Crowne Plaza Hotel
5231 Date Ave., Sacramento, CA
Contact Kathy Braaten (katbrat@cebridgew.net)
530-477-2811

Sunday, April 23, 2017

at 2017 Region 14 Spring Meeting 9:00 – 10:30
A.M.
1 1/2 hours garden credit, Bearded Irises
Given by Dell Perry, Plano, TX
Horton Iris Garden, 7440 King Rd., Loomis, CA
Contact Kathy Braaten (katbrat@cebridgew.net)
530-477-2811

Sunday, May 20, 2017

Starts at 12 Noon
Open garden for 1:1 tutoring of candidates (students)
and apprentices
All active judges, candidates, and apprentices
welcome
Mariposa Iris Garden, 6147 Smither Rd., Mariposa,
CA 95338
Contact Douglas Kanarowski (grapeorbit@sti.net)
209-966-3496



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
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NATIONAL
CONVENTION.
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Aril-bred Iris Blooming Now ~ Spring 2017

~ photos by Carl Boro



above: Sizzle (AB) (OGB) (Gadd 1978)

below: Rare Spice (AB) (OGB) (Foster 1970)

above: Mondsee (AB) (OGB) (Mathes 1982)

below: Refiner's Fire (AB) (OGB) (McGrath 2007)



More Iris Blooming Now ~ Spring 2017

~ photos by Carl Boro and Mikey Lango



(photos by Carl Boro unless otherwise noted)

above: Ginger Spice (AB) (OGB)(Doris Foster 1981)

above: Paprika Fono's (TB) (Iris Nelson 1989)

below: Peach Royale (TB) (LeRoy Meininger 1999)(photo: M. Lango)

below: Shenanigan (BB) (Keppel 1985)



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By now all affiliate presidents are aware that every 3 months a write up is needed for the bulletin. There are 4 out of 16 affiliates who are ALWAYS on time and who do not need prodding. This month the MIGHTY FOUR came in first again. It takes time to put a bulletin together. When articles are late everything else is late. Please mark your calendars and get your articles in on time. Thanks!

Clara B. Rees Iris Society

From what we hear from others we are proud to have one of the largest affiliates in Region 14. The reason for our success is very simple, WE HAVE LOTS OF FUN. Our men members are all so very handsome and charming, our lady members are all beautiful and witty, and our iris shows are second to none. We meet on the first Friday of the month; we have between 25-35 in attendance, we start at 7 pm finish at 9. We have a fabulous refreshment table. Are you interested yet? We have an interesting top notch program at every meeting. Did we say our shows are second to none? Come see for yourself.

Our next show titled "A SYMPHONY OF COLOR" is April 1-2 at the Westgate Mall, Set up is Friday night Mar. 31, and you may also set up early Saturday morning April 1. Horticultural entries are accepted between 7 am and 10:15 am on Saturday morning. Judging begins at 10:30 sharp so come early to get ready.

The Artistic/Design entries will be accepted on Friday also, e-mail Carol Dahout, Show Chair at



above: Clara B. Rees judges at work

caroldahout@yahoo.com for times for Friday set up. Any questions about the Artistic/Design part of the show e-mail Artistic/Design Chair Mikey Lango at mdlango@aol.com. All entries in the Artistic/design Division must be assembled at the show area. Space to work will be provided.

Fresno Iris Society

The Fresno Iris Society has a very busy year ahead. We have a membership that is always busy. Of course at this time of the year everyone is thinking about our spring show. There are those that would say we (iris people) are crazy for working a whole year for a show. This is our most exciting event of the year.

This year our show will be on April 8 at the Sierra Vista Mall located at 1050 Shaw Ave. in neighboring Clovis. Our theme is "Treasures from the Garden". Entries will be from 7 am to 9:30 am. An added bonus is we will also be selling potted iris to the public and maybe a few to our members. We have a large selection, something for everyone. All are welcome to enter.

We are also holding a big pot sale March 3, 4, and 5 at the Flower and Garden Show. This sale has very successful for us over the years. We encourage others to try it in your area.

In June we have invited a very special guest speaker. American Iris Society Youth Director Cheryl Deaton is coming to speak on Hybridizing. We invite everyone to join us for this special evening.

Terry Toney, President

High Desert Iris Society

High Desert Iris Society announces "When Iris Eyes Are Smiling" as its 10th Anniversary Show Theme for Mother's Day Weekend, with blooms welcome 4-6 pm Friday afternoon, May 12, and 7-9 am Saturday, May 13th. The Show welcomes bearded irises, beardless irises, historic irises, (30 years old or more) iris seedlings and Artistic Design. During judging Saturday, HDIS members are presenting a multi-speaker seminar: "Iris - 10 Garden Upgrades" with refreshments and presentations on soil, compost, iris physiology, annual iris care, benefits of belonging to AIS, Region 14 and other affiliate clubs --and more--

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with a panel Q&A. Sunday, blooms will continue to be displayed for the public until an hour before close. Moana Nursery is again generously offering its beautiful 1100 W. Moana Lane, Reno, NV 89509 location. HDIS recommends nearby Peppermill or Atlantis casino hotels.

Those travelling over the Sierras need to carefully check weather over Hwy 50 or I-80. To receive a Show Bulletin, e-mail HDIS Secretary Ron Jensen: ronaldajensen@hotmail.com, whose wife Carolyn is HDIS Show Chair.

Patricia Eisenberg, President

James M. Gibson Iris Society

We meet on the last Thursday of every month except December and January. We have a potluck dinner at every meeting so come and have dinner with us. We gather for dinner at 5:30 pm. If you cannot make it for dinner then join us for the meeting at 6:30 pm. We start a little earlier than most clubs because our community is a rural one and it takes a fair amount of driving to attend our meetings and get home from them. We adjourn around 8:30pm. For location please e-mail President Linda Hood at linda-hood@sbcglobal.net

For the city of Porterville the iris has long been the city flower. Many years ago hybridizer George Sutton appealed to the city fathers to establish an Iris Festival to celebrate spring, the city of Porterville and the IRIS. Every year thousands and thousands flock to our city for the Iris Festival. Unfortunately this year the Iris Festival and the Region 14 Spring gathering coincide. Both events are set in stone. Since the beginning of this festival there has been a large iris booth selling irises to the public. First it was the George Sutton Iris Garden booth. But then after George and Margaret passed away and the business now in the hands of second generation Mike Sutton, the garden moved to Star, Idaho. That left a big void for the Iris. The James M. Gibson Iris Society, (named after the father of the plicata, Jim Gibson), knew the void must be filled. Every festival time the JMGIS is there with hundreds of pots of every color of the rainbow for the general public. Almost every pot is sold year after year.

JMGIS will be sending representatives to the

Spring Regional meeting. Our May meeting will be one week early this year due to most of our board attending the AIS National Convention.

Linda Hood, President

Las Vegas Iris Society ~ no report

Leo T. Clark Iris Society

Greetings from the Leo T. Clark Iris Society. The New Year brought some changes to our club. Formerly our meetings were at the Round Table on Forest Avenue in Chico, future meetings will be held at the Durham Library: 2545 Durham-Dayton Highway, Durham, CA 95938. Our meetings will still take place at 1:30 p.m. on the first Sunday of every month unless otherwise indicated. Everyone is welcome!

Our club practices sharing the duties of office and this year the officers are: Deb Rojas and Marcie Angel, Co-Presidents; Kathy Hutchinson and Marilyn Mazza, Co-Vice Presidents; Bonny McDaniel and Sylvia Guzman, Co-Secretaries; and Carol Cullen, Treasurer. We met at the beginning of the year to discuss the upcoming year's agenda, which includes hosting Region 14's 2017 Fall Regional in Chico in October. We hope to obtain guest speakers from such notable clubs as Chico Horticultural Society, whose Master Gardeners can provide valuable insight to gardening practices in our area. We are also planning garden tours of our members' and other local gardens.



Also on the agenda for this year is our annual Iris Show, which again will be held at the Chico Mall, 1950 East 20th St., Chico, CA 95928. The show dates

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are April 8-9. This year's theme is "Iris Celebration." Entries will be accepted Friday evening after 9:00 p.m. on April 7th and Saturday morning on the 8th from 7:00-9:45 a.m. Judging will take place on Saturday at 10:00 a.m. for both horticulture and artistic divisions. Our location has changed from one end of the mall to the other, and will now be held in the court in front of Dick's Sporting Goods, by the food court. Our hopes are high for a great show considering all the rain our irises got this year! If you have any questions regarding the show, or our club in general, please email Deb Rojas at dionaea68@att.net.
Happy growing!

Deb Rojas, Co-President

Monterey Bay Iris Society

Our new meeting place is now 6 months old. It is working out very well. We have had so many new members in the past 6 months that there would not have been enough seating room in our old building. Having a kitchen is wonderful. Now if we could just figure out how to get the stove on.

In March we will be celebrating St. Patrick's Day with our annual corned beef and all of the trimmings potluck. Brenda and her sister-in-law Larissa do it all. Wayne brings the birthday cake and others bring various desserts and drinks.

Our show has grown to be very large and very successful at the Lowden Nelson Art Center. April is busy for us, unlike some clubs that have just a show and that is it. We don't, we still have our regular meeting, our 2-day show, then there is the 2-day regional, can't miss that. Then in May we are busy planning for our summer sales. We are a busy group and we think you might want to stay with us after you attend a meeting and see the fun we have.

Come and enter our show. We have a lot of fun even at the show. For the last 3 years we have had over 100 stalks in our show. A delight to see. Our seedling table is unlike most, it is filled with seedlings that will knock your socks off.

Our show date is April 29-30. Doors open at 12:00 noon on Saturday and 10 on Sunday. Call President Crag Tarr for details cht2325@yahoo.com or 408-425-7207.

Mount Diablo Iris Society



above: at a MDIS meeting, L to R: Ken Aines, Marilyn Kaplan, guest speaker Shawna Anderson, and Shirley Trio-Probst.

Happy Spring to everyone.

Mount Diablo club is planning and preparing for our Annual weekend Iris Show on the dates of April 8th and 9th 2017. It again will be held at the beautiful setting of Alden Lane Nursery. Location is 981 Alden Lane, in Livermore, California (925) 447-0280. This is just off Stanley Blvd. This is a 2 day event with iris competition Saturday morning and then opening to the public after judging is complete.

This is an earlier show in the year so we are excited to be able to display the aril-arilbred type of iris along with standard dwarf iris and maybe a few miniatures. We will also be selling 1-gallon potted iris to the public with hundreds to choose from. So come drop by, say hello, have a cup of coffee and see our iris displays. We always have 100 plus stalks on display. We will also be taking orders for some of the display irises. We would love to have you there.

Our monthly meetings for May, June, September, October, and November are now at Lindsay Wildlife Experience at 1931 First St. Walnut Creek, California. Meetings are at 7pm until 9pm on Thursday nights. We usually have a guest speaker or a presentation from one of our members. We are a large group with a lot of experienced iris growers. Our last speaker was Shawna Anderson from our local Orchard Nursery in Lafayette, Ca. She gave an informative talk on pruning roses and followed that up with slides of her

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trip to England and the Chelsea Garden Show, and various gardens that she visited. Yes, photos of irises were included.

See you at the show.

Eileen Roark

Sacramento Iris Society

Sacramento Iris Society is very busy getting ready for the Spring Regional meeting April 21-23, which we are co-sponsoring with our sister club Sierra Foothills Iris Society. We all got together and weeded the guest iris bed at the Horton Garden just so we could make it nice for all of you that are coming to the regional meeting. The plants are fantastic. We are really excited about the upcoming event.

We had a lively discussion about the upcoming year led by our energetic Programs Chair VP Stan Logan. We have such an exciting year planned in addition to lots of garden visits. We would love for other irisarians to visit our meetings and see what fun things we do.

We are holding our show April 15-16: co-chaired by Alison Willy and Bill Fink. We have several 'digs' planned in July. On July 8, we will dig in preparation for our annual rhizome sale on July 15-16. On July 24-25 we are planning to dig the guest rhizomes from the Spring Regional guest beds. We hope that other clubs will come to help with this dig, so they can take their share of the rhizomes home with them. If you want information on how your club can take part in this great sale Phyllis Wilburn is the Guest Iris Chair so send her a note at abirder@aol.com and she will let you know how to take part in this sale. The sale helps support the region.

We were very saddened by the sudden passing of one of our members and past secretary, Valerie Wheeler. She was a professor emeritus in Anthropology at Sacramento State University, and an active, helpful SIS member. She will be sorely missed.

Phyllis Wilburn, Past President

San Joaquin Iris Society

There is a new President, Sandy Mann. Sandy has served as President in the past so is an old hand at this. The group is small but strong. There have been

some very successful fundraisers so SJIS has been able to support Region 14 with some sizable donations.

We don't have a show at this time and our meetings are irregular but we are keeping it together with some good strong members.

Any questions about our meeting place and when the meetings are please contact Sandy Mann damannfam@charter.net.



above: Ted Hawkins of San Joaquin Iris Society

Santa Rosa Iris Society

Our regular meetings are held at 7:00 p.m. on the 2nd Monday of each month, February through October, at the Luther Burbank Art and Garden Center (LBAGC), 2050 Yulupa Avenue, in Santa Rosa. Our iris show this spring will include competition in both horticultural and artistic (arrangement) divisions. To encourage members to make and enter arrangements, the program at our meeting on March 13 will be "Entering the Artistic Division in an Iris Show", given by Anna Cadd. Anna is the accomplished flower arranger and irisarian who gave judges' training at last fall's regional meeting on judging the artistic division. Our program on April 10 will be "Preparing Your Irises for the Show", given by AIS judges Jim Begley and Ross BeVier who will focus on what judges are looking for in a specimen. One hour of judges' training credit will be given.

"An Iris for All Seasons" is the theme for the Society's May 6-7 iris show, to be held at the LBAGC.

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The show chairman will be Kitty Loberg; you may contact her at 707-972-5507 or iris.loberg@comcast.net for information about entering arrangements. Entries will be accepted only on Saturday, May 6 from 7:00 to 9:30 a.m. The show will be open for viewing from 1 to 5 p.m. on Saturday and 10 to 5 on Sunday. The show will feature a potted iris sale from 10 to 5 both days.

For our program on May 8, member Cheryl Bryan will talk on "irids," non-iris relatives of irises, many of which she tends in the Society's iris educational and display garden at the LBAGC.

Shasta Iris Society

We are excited about our show. The date is April 29 & 30 at the Mt. Shasta Mall at 900 Dana Drive, Redding, CA. Entries are open to the public. Entries will be accepted from 7:00am until 10:30 am. Judging begins at 11:00. Horticultural Design is on Sunday, with entries accepted from 7:30am until 10:30am, with judging at 11:00. Our theme is "The Sun is Coming". Come by the mall and visit our show.

Ann Hass, President

Sierra Foothills Iris Society

Sierra Foothills Iris Society is off to a bit of a slow start this year. Our first meeting was held February 28th in the Rose Room of the Auburn Civic Center at 6pm. We discussed our budget for the year as well as our calendar of events.

Our society is co-hosting the Spring Regional event with the Sacramento Society this year April 21, 2017 through April 23, 2017. Because the dates are so close to our annual show we have decided to forego our regular society show and combine it with the show that will be presented at the Spring Event. We are in the process of getting this show approved. Please see the attached registration form for show entry and judging time details. Cindy Eastman will be the show chair for the Regional show, should you have any questions please feel free to contact her at 209 483-6027 or Kathy Braaten e-mail katbrat@cebridge.net

Our annual rhizome sale will be held this year at Eisley's Nursery 380 Nevada St Auburn CA on July

22, 2017 9am to 3pm and July 23rd 10am to 2 pm.

Kathy Braaten

Sydney B. Mitchell Iris Society

After hosting a very successful potluck and judges' training in January, the Sydney B. Mitchell Iris Society is now gearing up for their annual show and potted iris sale in April. Our show will be held at the Oakland Garden Center, 666 Bellevue Avenue in Oakland. The show will be open on Saturday, April 29 from 1:00 - 5:00 p.m., and on Sunday, April 30 from 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. In addition to lots of beautiful iris on display, we will be selling a wide variety of iris in pots, suitable for any Region 14 climate. We welcome any Region 14 members to enter our show - entries are accepted from 7:00 - 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, April 29. If you'd like to enter an iris arrangement, this year's theme is "Colors of the Rainbow."



The accompanying picture is from our 2016 show, at which Linda Woods' entry "Dazzle" dazzled the judges and won Best in Show.

In May we will be selling potted iris at the Celebration of Old Roses, which will be held on Sunday, May 21 at the El Cerrito Community Center, 7007 Moeser Lane in El Cerrito. The show is open from 11:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., and features an amazing display of historic roses as well as garden-oriented vendors.

Jean Richter, President

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Westbay Iris Society

Westbay Iris Society members have started meeting in members' homes. This is a good way for us to keep our club on the active side as we try to find a way to increase club membership. We had a nice holiday gathering in January at club president



Carol Skarda's home. There were seven members that attended. The fourth Friday in March we are again meeting at Carol's house at 7:00 P. M. Members are bringing in photos of their favorite irises to share. We will be discussing what makes a good iris.

Carol's address is 979 Lundy Lane, Los Altos, CA. Phone is 650-941-0977

Mikey Lango

Yosemite Iris Society

YIS now has 30 members. We are the newest affiliate of Region 14 and we are growing fast. We had to change our meeting place to make more room. We now meet at Denny's Restaurant in the banquet room. It is soooooo easy to find. Denny's is right on the main thoroughfare, Highway 41 in Oakhurst CA. We meet at 6 pm, have dinner and a social hour and begin our general meeting at 7pm on the first Friday of every month (except on Labor Day we meet on the second Friday.) We do not have formal meetings in July, August, December and January, but we do have a picnic in July, a potting party in August, and a holiday party in December. Due to sometimes harsh winter weather up here in the mountains we do not meet in January (but we have a board meeting then).

At our annual planning meeting we came up with a few fun things you might want to check out.

In March we featured "How to Construct an English Box" by Betty Bridger.

April 1 we will host a Region 14 Judges' Training at the Hoover home. The trainer will be Emeritus Judge Riley Probst training on MEDIANS. The garden training will begin at 1pm. It can get warm at this time of year so cool drinks and refreshments will be provided.



April 7 we will feature "Preparing Iris for Show" We have so many new people this is sure to be a learning experience.

April 15 is our 5th annual show. All are invited, there will be potted irises sold to the public.

May 5 Hybridizers Bill Tyson and Riley Probst will teach us Gopher control and Diseases of the Iris.

June 2 we will hold our annual Awards potluck. Don't miss this if you want to get your hard-earned show awards. We will also feature a digital image slideshow of our show.

YIS is so proud to announce that our busiest youth member has been nominated to receive the AIS Clark Cosgrove Award. Our pride and joy is also working on becoming a judge. One of her interests is learning to become a show chair.

Bill Tyson designed a logo for us and we had it screen printed onto a shirt. Now when we show up at the Farmers Market at Kaiser Hospital every Wednesday morning the public will know who we are. Our Face book page is up and running thanks to Sandy Saelens.

Something new that YIS is now doing is paying the registration fee for the President or presi-

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dential appointee to attend both the Spring and Fall Regional meeting and the AIS National Meeting. It is part of the job for all affiliate Presidents to attend both the spring and fall regional meetings so the affiliates should pitch in and help.

The President Carolyn Hoover has a new e-mail address; please make note of YISchoover@gmail.com

Come have fun with us and take in the grandeur of the Sierra Nevada Mountains.

Carolyn Hoover, President

below: Bahama Blues (IB, Re) (M. Sutton 2008)

photo: Mikey Lango

Youth member of YIS wins both the Ackerman Award and the AIS Clark Cosgrove Award

Congratulations to this 14-year-old youth member of Yosemite Iris Society, for winning the **Ackerman Award**. She is in the middle in this photo; on the left is Sandy Saelens, YIS member, at right YIS club president Carolyn Hoover. It was recently announced that this youth member also won the **Cosgrove Award!**



~ Region 14 Scholarship ~ information and application

Region 14 of the American Iris Society

Counseling Office

To whom it may concern,

Here is a copy of a Scholarship Application, for the 2017-2018 school year.

This scholarship is for \$1000.00 from Region 14 of the American Iris Society. The scholarship is intended for students that are planning on pursuing a career in the horticulture, floriculture, landscaping, nursery production, or related fields.

Thank you very much for making copies for students you feel should receive this application.

If you have any questions, you may e-mail or call me.

Lorraine Nicholson
Scholarship Chair
Region 14, American Iris Society
209-613-8708
iris4u@fire2wire.com

REGION 14 OF THE AMERICAN IRIS SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The members of Region 14 of the American Iris Society shall award a \$1000.00 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. Students may be seniors in high school or in a college or university at this time. Preference will be given to students who are family of Region 14 members or ones who has demonstrated interest in iris activities with Region 14, but all are encouraged to apply. The home address must be within the area of Northern California or Nevada, which is Region 14.

Please complete this application, mail it to Lorraine Nicholson, Scholarship Chairman, postmarked by April 6, 2017. A committee will then screen the applications. All applicants will be notified by e-mail by June 1, 2017.

Lorraine Nicholson
Scholarship Chair
P.O. Box 578668
Modesto, CA 95357



Application for Scholarship To Be Awarded By Region 14 of the American Iris Society

Name _____

Address _____

e-mail address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone () _____ Birth Date _____

What type of school or college are you planning to attend?

_____ Community College _____ Community College, then transfer _____ Trade/Technical _____ 4-year
College or University

What type of school or college are you currently attending? _____

Name and Location of College _____

Major Area of Study _____

Occupational Goal _____

Please include:

1. A copy of your current transcripts
2. A letter of recommendation from an administrator, teacher/professor or counselor
3. Two (2) character references

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

To be completed by Counseling office (for High School students only)

Grade point average _____ Class Rank _____ SAT test scores: Verbal _____ Math _____

Signed _____ Title _____ Date _____

SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AND HONORS

If you choose to type the sections below, please feel free to use a separate sheet of paper.

Awards, Honors, Achievements

Organizations (School or Community)

Work Experience

Other Activities (School or Community)

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

Student's signature _____

Parent/Guardian's signature (if applicable) _____

Spring Regional Event April 21-23, 2017

“IRIS EXPRESS”

Come join us for a fun filled weekend in the Sacramento Valley area for the Spring Regional hosted by both Sacramento and Sierra Foothills Iris Societies. We will enjoy the comfort of the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Sacramento. Our dynamic guest speaker is Dell Perry from Plano Texas. She will not only be our guest speaker, but will give judges' training on Sunday morning.

We planted approximately 160 guest iris which we will be carpooling to view in two local area commercial gardens, one of which many of you have been to over the years, Horton's Iris Garden in Loomis. The other garden is relatively new, Frannie's Garden in Elk Grove. It has been designed for iris viewing in mind. Ruth Ostroff has graciously opened her garden in Rio Linda as an optional tour garden.

Horton's Iris Garden (7440 King Road, Loomis) is set on gently rolling hills at the base of the Sierra Foothills. Mary Anne has the master planting for the event with approximately 160 guest irises. Mary Ann's garden is mostly bearded iris, but does have a few beardless iris mixed in as well. After viewing the guest gardens you can meander through her many acres of beautiful flowers and approximately 1600 more irises, including many

historic iris. You will be treated to lunch in her garden under the mature trees, which offer a beautiful shaded area for your comfort.

Frannie's Garden (8884 Saddlehorn Court, Elk Grove) is located in the town of Elk Grove. The owners Russ and Fran Shields moved from the Gilroy area and started her commercial iris garden. They have many newer varieties of tall bearded iris introduced within the last ten years in their garden for your enjoyment. Fran has started a bed for all of the Dykes Medal winners, and is in the process of acquiring them all. She also has recently started enjoying the median iris and adding them to her garden as well. After strolling through her garden and the guest iris beds you can relax under the beautiful gazebo or large lawn area for a snack and a cool drink.

Ruth Ostroff 's Garden (6121 20th Street, Rio Linda) will be open also as an optional tour for any of those interested. She has been growing the Sacramento door prize irises for approximately 8 years so lots of newer iris. She has almost a complete planting of Dykes Medal winners. Also in her garden is a large planting of rebloomers and historic iris. A must see!!!! Open both days Saturday and Sunday!!!!



*left: Happy New Year (Byers 1990), blooming March 2017
(photo: Riley Probst)*

*below: Drive You Wild (PCI) (Ghio 1986), blooming March 2017
(photo: Carl Boro)*



Preliminary Schedule

REGION 14 2016 SPRING REGIONAL
SACRAMENTO, CA APRIL 21, 22 & 23, 2017

IRIS EXPRESS

<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIMES</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>MEETING ROOM</u>
Fri	3 PM	Silent Auction Set-Up	Chestnut
Fri	3 PM – 8 PM	Registration	Lobby
Fri	3 PM – 5:30 PM	Iris Show Set Up & Registration for show	Lobby
Fri	4:30 PM – 9 PM	Silent Auction Opens	Chestnut
Fri	6 PM	Iris Show Judging	Lobby
Fri	----	Dinner on your own	
Fri	7 PM – 9 PM	Region 14 Board/General Meeting	Sycamore
Sat	6 AM ---	Breakfast on Your Own	
Sat	7:30 AM – 8:30 AM	Registration	Lobby
Sat	8:00 AM	Informational Q & A/Carpool	Sycamore
Sat	8:30 AM	Group A: Leave for Frannie's Iris Garden, Elk Grove Group B: Leave for Horton's Iris Garden, Loomis	
Sat	9:00 - 11:00	View Iris	
Sat	11:00 PM 11:30 PM	Group A: Leave for Horton's Iris Garden, Loomis Group B: Lunch, Horton's Iris Garden	
Sat	12:15	Group A: Lunch, Horton's Iris Garden Group B: Leave for Frannie's Iris Garden	
Sat	1:00 - 3:00 PM	View Iris	
Sat	3:00 PM	Return to Hotel	
Sat	3:30 PM – 5:00 PM	Judges Training "What are the Rules", Dell Perry	Sycamore
Sat	4:00	Deadline to submit garden voting ballot	
Sat	6 PM – 6:30 PM	No Host Cocktails	Terrace Room
Sat	6:30 PM	Dinner	Terrace Room
Sat	8:00 PM – 9:30 PM	Guest Speaker, Dell Perry & Awards Presentation, Bill Fink	Terrace Room or Sycamore
Sat	9:30 PM	Adjourn to Silent Auction/and Basket Raffle	Sycamore/Chestnut
Sat	10:00 PM	Silent Auction Closes	Chestnut
Sun	---	Breakfast on Own	
Sun	9 AM – 10:30 AM	Judges Training in Garden, Dell Perry	Horton's Iris Garden



2017 Spring Regional April 21,22 &23

“Iris Express”

**Co-sponsored by Sacramento Iris Society and Sierra Foothills Iris Society
Guest Speaker – Dell Perry from Plano TX**

**Conference Hotel
Crowne Plaza 5321 Date Ave, Sacramento, CA 95841
Contact for room reservations at (877) 504-0054**

To receive the group rate, use the name Regional Iris Society when making your reservation.

The room rate is available until April 3, 2017.

Hotel room rates are \$109.00+ tax for double or single per night.

Breakfast is included for hotel guests. No pets allowed.

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 1st 2017 \$95.00 x person (s) _____ Total \$ _____

if paid after April 1st 2017 \$105.00 x person (s) _____ Total \$ _____

(No refunds after April 8, 2017)

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: Salad-Green and Caesar, Marinated Grilled Tri-Tip, Marinated Grilled Chicken, Rice Pilaf, Mashed Potatoes, Vegetable, Rolls, Carrot Cake.

Please make checks payable to Sierra Foothills Iris Society.

Please send registration to: Yvette Meador, P O Box 332 Applegate, CA 95703

E-mail ymeador@yahoo.com or phone 530 878-0944

Judges Training Sunday April 23 rd 9am Horton’s Garden	Will attend	Yes _____ No _____ Maybe _____
Iris Show Friday April 21 st Crown Plaza Hotel	Will enter	Yes _____ No _____ Maybe _____
Iris Entries accepted Friday 3:00-5:30pm Judging at 6:00pm		
Meeting Region 14 Board/General meeting Friday, April 21, 2017, 7:00 pm		Yes _____ No _____ Maybe _____

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~ Advertising Manager ~

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