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American Iris Society



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Region 22-American Iris Society

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Editor's Note:

Region 22 Newsletter: This newsletter is published three times a year. Members are welcome and encouraged to submit articles. To meet the deadline, articles to be printed should be received by the Editor by February 15 (Spring issue), August 15 (Fall issue), and November 15 (Winter issue).

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RVP Message

Greetings iris lovers,

If you missed our annual meeting at Fin And Feather in August, I feel for ya. It turned out to be a perfect setting for our group with a real homey and relaxed atmosphere, good food and great people. Our guest speaker, Bob Van Liere, was icing on the cake. Combined with a generous amount of donated iris for our auction and nice contributions for the silent auction, I think everyone went home with something. I'm happy to say we're scheduled back there next year, but later in September, so rates will be even cheaper and hopefully more of you can come. Remember, you don't have to be a judge or die-hard irisarian to have a good time. All are welcome.

We did outstanding in the money we raised at the meeting so we might actually get our finances back in the black! In order to stay in the black we are going to start using electronic newsletters next year. Our publication is by far our biggest expense, so anything we can do electronically will save on printing and postage. Please bear with us as we work out the process and put it into place. We'll have more details as we go.

Don't forget to make plans to kick off your spring with an outstanding Median Iris Society convention in OKC next April 14 through 16th. I already know "Median Heaven in 2011" will be awesome because we received a massive amount of guest iris and they put on an immediate show in their first year. As a master planter here, I can tell you that you will be dropping your jaws at some of the latest median iris. More details are on-line at www.medianiris.com.

RVP Message cont'd.

The AIS convention in Victoria next year should be once in a lifetime trip. Remember, I'm selling raffle tickets (as Region 22 RVP) for a free trip for two to it. Includes lodging for five nights and registration for two. Valued at approximately \$1400!! These are available until February 1, so call me if you're interested (405.642.4190).

And if you can't make it to the AIS convention in Canada in 2011, there is going to be a large Spring Trek in St. Joseph, Missouri with TBIS taking part. Should be a great garden tour complete with guest iris and great speakers. Check the Region 18 website for details later.

I wish you all a peaceful fall and winter where we look forward to iris catalogs and the latest from the hybridizers. We'll dream of bigger beds and bigger budgets!

I look forward to seeing you soon, preferably in a garden somewhere!

Regards,

Hugh Stout

Region 22 Affiliates and Presidents

Affiliate	President	Meetings
Central Arkansas Iris Society (CAIS)	Susan Rose 19 Markham Circle Little Rock, AR 72211 (501) 227-7868 rosesusann@uams.edu	3rd Sunday, monthly, 2:00 PM-except Jan. & May; Hillcrest Hall Little Rock, AR
Hot Springs Iris Society (HSIS)	James Bledsoe 204 Bristol Lane Hot Springs, AR 71913 (501) 525-1253 jboots@cablelynx.com	4th Sunday, monthly, 2:00 PM-except Apr. & Dec.; 1st Lutheran Church, Hot Springs,AR
Lawton Area Friends of Iris Society (LAFOIS)	Julie Hooker-Kyle 6710 SW Drakestone Lawton, OK 73505 (580) 510-8049 cookietownkid@sbcglobal.net	3rd Saturday, monthly except Jan. & July; Lawton, OK
Norman Area Iris Society (NAIS)	Louise Carson 5037 NW 24th Place Okla. City, OK 73127 (405) 947-1719 nloucar@earthlink.net	4th Monday, monthly, 7:00 PM-Reeves Park Norman, OK
North Central Iris Society (NCIS)	John Tripp PO Box 2232 Enid, OK 73702 (580) 234-1018	2nd Sunday, monthly, 2:00 PM-except Jan., May, July, Aug. & Dec., Gants Bldg. at NOC, Enid, OK
Northern Oklahoma Iris Society (NOIS)	Lynn Whitebay 4669 N. Prentice Road Ponca City, OK 74604 (580) 765-2074 lwhitebay@poncacity.net	2nd Friday, monthly, 7:00 PM-except Jan., Aug., Nov. & Dec. L.A. Cann Garden Center, Ponca City, OK

Region 22 Affiliates & Presidents

Affiliate	President	Meetings
Oklahoma Iris Society (OIS)	Cynthia Wade 8316 NW 15th Street Okla. City, OK73127 (405) 603-5282 nursewade@cox.net or enurcaw@aol.com	1st Friday, monthly, 7:00 PM– except Jan, Feb, Jul, & Aug; Will Rogers Garden Center, Oklahoma City, OK
Rolling Hills Iris Society (RHIS)	Helen Jones 529 S. 12th Street Clinton, OK 73601 (580) 323-1132 JonesIris2@aol.com	3rd Saturday, 2:00 PM Only in Mar., Aug. Sept., & Oct.; CREC Building, Stillwater, OK
Southwest Oklahoma Iris Society (SWOIS)	Joyce VanDerPol RR 1 Box 79 Roosevelt, OK 73564 (580) 639-2780 Countrybumpkin_73564@yahoo.com	1st Thursday, monthly, 2:00 PM, Oklahoma Blood Bank Meeting Room, Lawton, OK
Tulsa Area Iris Society (TAIS)	Philip W. Stonecipher 45577 W. 46th St. S. Jennings, OK 74038 (918) 605-9704 sarah_stonecipher07@yahoo.com	2nd Thursday, monthly, 6:30 PM- except Jan. & Feb., Tulsa Garden Center, Tulsa, OK
White County Iris Society (WCIS)	LaVera Johnson 18 Glenmere Drive Searcy, AR 72143 (501) 278-2391 laverajohnson@att.net	2nd Sunday, monthly 2:00 PM-except Dec., Century Twenty One Realty Associates, Searcy, AR

Region 22 Website: www.region22ais.org

Ron Mullin Awarded AIS Gold Medal

At the AIS Fall Board Meeting in Tulsa, Oklahoma, the AIS Board of Directors voted to award Ron Mullin the AIS Gold Medal.



Judy Keisling, AIS President, presenting the AIS Gold Medal to Ron Mullin on July 24, 2010 in Stillwater, Oklahoma.

Ron Mullin cont'd.



Ron Mullin with AIS Gold Medal



Ron Mullin with his friends who attended the AIS Gold Medal Presentation

Sympathies & Memoriam

Rachel Drumm

STILLWATER, Okla. — Rachel Ramona Drumm, 91, Stillwater, died Monday, March 29, 2010.

Services were held at 2 p.m., Saturday in Strode Chapel. The Rev. Dale Barnes officiated. Interment was at Sunset Memorial Gardens in Stillwater.

She was born Sept. 12, 1918 in Perkins to Thomas and Nellie (Gilbertson) McGough. She graduated from Perkins High School. She married Wayne Drumm of Stillwater in 1941.

Her interests were OSU sports and gardening, raising hundreds of irises and daylilies and serving as a master judge for the American Iris Society. She was or had been a member of the Rolling Hills Iris Society in Stillwater and was one of the founding members, Tulsa Area Iris Society, and the Oklahoma Iris Society. She also enjoyed serving as a reading partner for children at Will Rogers Elementary and volunteering at Sunshine Seniors.

She is survived by her children, Margie (Drumm) Harrison, Jim Drumm and wife Lisa and Lisa (Drumm) Myers and husband Bob, all of Stillwater; five grandchildren, Mitch Harrison, Jason Harrison, Cale Drumm, Abby (Drumm) Blevins, all of Stillwater, and Emily (Myers) Cline of Omaha, Neb.; and four great-grandchildren.

Happy Gardening Rachel.

2010 Show Winners

CENTRAL ARKANSAS IRIS SOCIETY

Best Specimen of Show: 'English Style' - TB- exhibited by Barbara Atwood

1st Runner-up: 'Teapot Rempest' - BB - exhibited by Linda Bell

2nd Runner-up: 'Circe Miss' - LA - exhibited by James Bledsoe

Silver Medal: Linda Bell

Bronze Medal: James Bledsoe

Best Seedling of Show: MG06- 610-54- TB exhibited by Mark Grumbine

Best Artistic Design (Best Design of Show): TIE Gina Sigler and
Polly Glotzbach

Artistic Design Sweepstakes: Susan Elliott

HOT SPRINGS IRIS SOCIETY (No Report)

Best Specimen of Show:

Silver Medal:

Bronze Medal:

Best Artistic Design (Best Design of Show):

Artistic Design Sweepstakes:

LAWTON AREA FRIENDS OF IRIS SOCIETY

April 24 2010 Show

Best Specimen of Show: 'Cinnamon Girl' - TB - exhibited by
Julie Hooker-Kyle

1st Runner-up: 'Tennessee Gentleman' - TB - exhibited by Brenda Nease

2nd Runner-up: 'Wishful Thinking' - TB - exhibited by Maryestelle Bishop

3rd Runner-up: 'Titan's Glory' - TB - exhibited by Scottie Finney

4th Runner-up: 'Quite Quaint' - TB - exhibited by Brenda Nease

Award of Excellence: Julie Hooker-Kyle

Silver Medal: Scottie Finney

Bronze Medal: Nick Stewart

Best Artistic Design (Best Design of Show): Susan Quensel

Artistic Design Sweepstakes: Susan Quensel

Best Novice Design: Maryestelle Bishop

Youth Division

No Youth Horticulture Entries

2010 Show Winners Cont'd.

LAWTON AREA FRIENDS OF IRIS SOCIETY

May 1, 2010 Show

Best Specimen of Show: 'Dusky Challenger' - TB - exhibited by Scottie Finney

1st Runner-up: 'Lady Friend' - TB - exhibited by Julie Hooker-Kyle

2nd Runner-up: 'Golden Panther' - TB - exhibited by David Barton

3rd Runner-up: 'Sudden Impact' - TB - exhibited by Jan Miller

4th Runner-up: 'Luxor Gold' - TB - exhibited by Sharon Thompson

Award of Excellence: Dean Hooker

Silver Medal: Nick Stewart

Bronze Medal: Sharon Thompson

Best Artistic Design (Best Design of Show): Wanda Marshall

Best Novice Design—Adult: Cecilia Adcock

Artistic Design Sweepstakes: Susan Quensel

Youth Division

No Youth Horticulture Entries

NORMAN AREA IRIS SOCIETY

Best Specimen of Show: 'Anna's Angel' - TB - exhibited by Louise Carson

Silver Medal: Louise Carson

Bronze Medal: Ted Thompson

Best Artistic Design (Best Design of Show): Nancy Kowalchyk

Artistic Design Sweepstakes: Nancy Kowalchyk

NORTH CENTRAL IRIS SOCIETY

Best Specimen of Show: 'Louisa's Song' - TB - exhibited by Jack Gregory

1st Runner-up: 'Leta Black' - TB - exhibited by Doris George

2nd Runner-Up: 'Ticket To Ride' - TB - exhibited by Jack Gregory

3rd Runner-Up: 'Starring' - TB - exhibited by Jack Gregory

Silver Medal: Jack Gregory

Bronze Medal: Ann Barrows

Best Seedling of Show: 9-82BV - TB - originated/exhibited Bill McVicker

Best Artistic Design (Best Design of Show): Doris Gregory

Artistic Design Sweepstakes: Doris Gregory

2010 Show Winners Cont'd.

NORTHERN OKLAHOMA IRIS SOCIETY

Best Specimen of Show: 'Celebration Song' - TB - exhibited by Ann Barrows

Silver Medal: Lee Whitebay

Bronze Medal: Becky Koster

Best Seedling: LS X CS-1 - TB originated/exhibited by Ann Barrows

OKLAHOMA IRIS SOCIETY

April 17, 2010 Show

Best Specimen of Show: 'Burra Sahib' - AB - exhibited by Mona French &
Greer Holland

1st Runner-Up: 'China Lake' - Tectorum - exhibited by Louise Carson

2nd Runner-up: 'Eye of Sauron' - SDB - exhibited by Judith Andrews

3rd Runner-Up: 'I. Lactea' - exhibited by Randy Moore

4th Runner-Up: 'Whoop'em Up' - BB - exhibited by Randy Moore

5th Runner-Up: 'Suspect' - AB - exhibited by Louise Carson

6th Runner-Up: 'Lancer' - AB - exhibited by Mona French & Greer Holland

Silver Medal: Louise Carson

Bronze Medal: Mona French & Greer Holland

May 1, 2010 Show

Best Specimen of Show: 'Robin's Tea' - TB - exhibited by Barbara Lloyd

1st Runner-Up: 'Cloudscape' - TB - exhibited by Hugh & Jennifer Stout

2nd Runner-up: 'Mango Daiquiri' - TB - exhibited by Hugh & Jennifer Stout

3rd Runner-Up: 'Ginger Punch' - LA - exhibited by Louise Carson

4th Runner-Up: 'Pink Bubbles' - BB - exhibited by Mona French &
Greer Holland

5th Runner-Up: 'Berry Scary' - TB - exhibited by Hugh & Jennifer Stout

6th Runner-Up: 'Imagery' - TB - exhibited by Hugh & Jennifer Stout

Best Seedling: DX-40A -TB - originated and exhibited by Hugh Stout

Silver Medal: Hugh & Jennifer Stout

Bronze Medal: Mona French & Greer Holland

Best Artistic Design: Judith Miracle

Artistic Sweepstakes Winner: Nancy Kowalczyk

2009 Show Winners Cont'd.

SOUTHWEST OKLAHOMA IRIS SOCIETY

Best Specimen of Show: 'Peace Prayer' - TB - exhibited by Robert Medina
Silver Medal: Maryestelle Bishop
Bronze Medal: Robert Medina

TULSA AREA IRIS SOCIETY

April 24/25 2009 Show

Best Specimen of Show: 'Jesse's Song' - TB - exhibited by Jo Ann Minter
1st Runner-up: 'Dazzling' - IB - exhibited by Jo Ann Minter
2nd Runner-Up: 'Apricot Drops' - IB - exhibited by Jo Ann Minter
3rd Runner-Up: 'Deja Blue' - TB - exhibited by Laura Davidson
4th Runner-Up: 'Mabel Coday' - SIB - exhibited by Jo Ann Minter
Silver Medal: Jo Ann Minter
Bronze Medal: Phyllis Hiebert
Novice Award: Rose Green

TULSA AREA IRIS SOCIETY

May 8/9, 2009 Show

Best Specimen of Show: 'Beausoleil' - LA- exhibited by Jo Ann Minter
1st Runner-up: 'Fashion Statement' - TB - exhibited by Frank Douglas
2nd Runner-Up: 'Between the Lines' -SPEC - exhibited by Jo Ann Minter
3rd Runner-Up: 'Raspberry Rilla' - LA - exhibited by Paul W. Gossett
4th Runner-Up: 'Champagne Waltz' - TB - exhibited by Frank Douglas
Silver Medal: Frank Douglas
Bronze Medal: Phyllis Hiebert
Youth Best Specimen of Show: Endearing Charm—TB—Laura Davidson

WHITE COUNTY IRIS SOCIETY

Best Specimen of Show: 'Lady Friend' - TB - exhibited by Bobby Coker
Silver Medal: Alice Jewell
Bronze Medal: Bobby Coker

Minutes of the Region 22 Board Meeting August 27, 2010

I. The Region 22 Board Meeting was called to order by RVP Hugh Stout at the Fin & Feather Inn in Gore, Oklahoma. Present were: Jim Bledsoe, Bill Goldsberry, Mike Blake, Louise Carson, Paul W. Gossett, Robert Treadway, Nick Stewart, Mona French and Greer Holland.

II. Minutes from the previous meeting were *approved as printed in the AIS Region 22 Newsletter – Winter 2009*.

III. Treasurer's report from Mary Ann Holman was read by Hugh Stout, and is attached. The beginning balance AO 9/18/2009 was \$8,809.65. Deposits were \$2,962.61 and disbursements were \$3,847.40, with an ending balance of \$7,924.86

Youth Endowment Fund reflected an ending balance of \$2,600.56, with no disbursements and reflected accumulated interest of \$6.97 for the year.

IV. Committees were given as follows:

A. Nick Stewart, Membership Chairman, reported that the current regional AIS membership is 207 with a decrease of 17 members or 4.7% decrease from last year. Total Affiliate no changes. AIS showed a 7.5% decrease in members.

B. Louise Carson gave the Judges Training Report. One judge was dropped from the roster and one move to retired status. There are 2 - Apprentice, 17 - Garden/Exhibition, 15 - Master, 5 - Retired, and 2-Emeritus. Noted judging schools held in Tulsa with Paul Black.

Minutes, cont'd.

- C. Youth – Cynthia Wade no report.

There were no candidates for Region 22 M.D. Faith Youth Achievement Award.

- D. Newsletter – Paul W. Gossett gave the Newsletter Report which is attached.

i. Fall, 2009 newsletter cost \$ 993.17 for 300 copies, of which 273 were mailed. The newsletter had 5 double sided pages, and a double sided color cover.

ii. Winter, 2009 newsletter cost \$834.13 for 310 copies, of which 268 were mailed. The newsletter had 9 double sided pages, and a double sided color cover and an additional page for the 2010 AIS Convention Registration form.

iii. Spring, 2010 newsletter cost \$ 1086.58 for 300 copies, of which 267 were mailed. The newsletter had 7 double sided pages, and a double sided color cover and an additional page for the Region 22 Annual Meeting Registration form.

iv. Fall, 2010 newsletter estimated printing costs from various vendors was presented to board with a recommendation.

Proposed a motion to print the Fall 2010 newsletter as scheduled with Premier Printing for October 2010 with estimated cost of \$510 plus estimated mailing cost of \$50.

The Board of Directors supports a motion at the Region 22 meeting to make a change effective with 2011 to start publishing the AIS Region 22 Newsletter via Electronic tools similar to that used by Master Gardener's. This change will require verification Email information for current AIS Region 22 members.

- E. Webmaster- Mike Blake reported that the website is updated with information as directed by the RVP.

Minutes, cont'd.

- V. Unfinished Business – Review the Region 22 Bylaws for correction and additions needs to done by the next meeting.
- VI. New Business -
 - A. Soliciting Advertisements for Region 22 newsletter to generate revenues to help defer increasing newsletter cost.
 - B. Improve Districts representative structure:
 - i. Originally established as a representative in a geographical area as contact to:
 - 1. Promote iris interest throughout the assigned area.
 - 2. Attempt to increase the number of AIS memberships within his area and contact delinquent members.
 - 3. Aid in the establishment of local societies.
 - 4. Represent his area in regional and national affairs.
 - 5. Keep the RVP informed of area activities.
 - ii. Recommend revising this structure have a representative for each state Arkansas and Oklahoma .
 - 1. Arkansas Representative:
 - 2. Oklahoma Representative:
 - C. Next Years AIS Region 22 meeting location:
 - i. No invitation was noted from affiliates for 2011.
 - ii. Recommending check additional information from Fin & Feather Lodge on possibly have Region 22 meeting later in September.

Meeting Adjourned!

Bill Goldsberry
Secretary

Region 22 Website: www.region22ais.org

Minutes of the Region 22 Annual Meeting August 28, 2010

- I. The Region 22 Annual Meeting was called to order by RVP Hugh Stout at the Fin & Feather Inn in Gore, Oklahoma.
- II. Minutes from the previous meeting were *approved as printed in the AIS Region 22 Newsletter – Winter 2009*.
- III. Treasurer's report from Mary Ann Holman was read by board member. The beginning balance AO 9/18/2009 was \$8,809.65. Deposits were \$2,962.61 and disbursements were \$3,847.40, with an ending balance of \$7,924.86.

Youth Endowment Fund balance is \$2,600.56, with no disbursements and reflected interest of \$6.97 and an ending balance of \$2,607.46.

IV. Committees:

- A. Nick Stewart, Membership Chairman, reported that the current AIS membership is 207 with a decrease of 17 members or -4.7 % from last year. There were no changes in affiliates. Currently there are 207 members made up of 189 adult and 18 youth members.
- B. Judges Training – Louise Carson, Judges Training Chairwoman, reported the following decreases of 1 Garden/Exhibition and 1 Master AIS judges. Noted judging schools held in Tulsa with Paul Black and Region 22 Fall meet with Robert Van Liere.
- C. Youth – Cynthia Wade reported: Region 22 M.D. Faith Youth Achievement Award: none award. Various regional society members share in youth activities in participating in shows, sales, and contests. Youth were involved helping with local events, programs and iris sales.

Minutes, cont'd.

- D. Newsletter – Paul W. Gossett gave the Newsletter Report which is attached.
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 - iii. Spring, 2010 newsletter cost \$ 1086.58 for 300 copies, of which 267 were mailed. The newsletter had 7 double sided pages, and a double sided color cover and an additional page for the Region 22 Annual Meeting Registration Form.
 - iv. Fall, 2010 newsletter with estimated cost \$510 for 300 copies, of which 267 would be mailed. The newsletter had 5 double sided pages, and a double side color cover.

Due to the increase cost incurred in printing the newsletter. The board discussed and made the following board recommendation:

- ***Boards motion to print the Fall 2010 newsletter as scheduled with Premier Printing for October 2010 with an estimated Cost of \$510 plus estimated mailing cost of \$50 was presented by Bill Goldsberry, seconded, and carried!***

Publishing Future Region 22 Newsletter via Email -Winter 2010

- ***Motion made to convert the AIS Region 22 Newsletter to delivery via Email as soon as possible. Second by Helen Jones. Motion carried!***
- ***Motion made to request Region 22 affiliate presidents to send out a copy of the Newsletter to any AIS member without an Email address. Second by LaVera Johnson. Motion carried!***

Minutes, cont'd.

- E. Webmaster- Mike Blake reported that the website is updated with information as directed by the RVP.
- V. AIS Region 22 Roll Call: Central Arkansas IS-5, Hot Spring IS-5, Lawton Area IS-1, Norman Areas IS-5, North Central IS-4, Oklahoma IS-11, Rolling Hills IS-6 , Southwest Oklahoma IS -2, Tulsa Area IS-9, White County IS-2, Out of Region - 4
- VI. New Business -
- A. Soliciting Advertisements for Region 22 newsletter to generate revenues. Contact the Newsletter Editor – Paul Gossett for more information.
- B. Improve Districts representative structure: Originally established as a representative in a geographical area as contact for:
1. Promote iris interest throughout the assigned area.
 2. Attempt to increase the number of AIS memberships within his area and contact delinquent members:
 3. Aid in the establishment of local societies
 4. Represent his area in regional and national affairs
 5. Keep the RVP informed of area activities.
- ***Motion was made to revise the structure of area representative to have only two (2) representatives with one from/for each state (Arkansas and Oklahoma) with Linda Bell as the Arkansas Representative and Betty Lou McMartin as the Oklahoma Representative. Seconded and Motion carried.***
- C. 2011 AIS Region 22 meeting location:
- ***Motion recommending check additional information from Fin & Feather Lodge on possibly have Region 22 meeting at a date later in September. Second by LaVera Johnson. Motion carried!***
- VII. Meeting Adjourned Bill Goldsberry, Secretary

Region 22 of the American Iris Society Treasurer's Report August 20, 2010

All Money is deposited in the Walters Bank and Trust Company,
Walters, Oklahoma

BEGINNING BALANCE LAST REPORT 8-10-2009

\$ 8,809.65

Judging School	\$ 105.00
Silent Auction	210.50
Iris Auction	2,196.00
Iris & Silent Auction	441.00
Interest on Account for 12 months	10.11

TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$2,962.61	+ \$2,962.61
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Checks

#621	USPS (Mailing Permit)	\$ 185.00
#622	Davis Nitka & Rebecca Wong (Honorarium)	200.00
#623	VOID	
#624	Robert Treadway (Reimburse for Hotel room for guest speakers)	228.10
#625	Fed Ex Kinko (Newsletter)	850.30
#626	Quantum Delta (Website)	102.00
#627	USPS (Postage for Newsletter)	150.00
#628	Fed Ex Kinko (Newsletter)	789.00
#629	Fed Ex Kinko (Newsletter)	1,041.00
#630	Quantum Delta (Website)	102.00
#631	Mid America (Iris for Auction 2010)	200.00

BALANCE	\$7,924.86
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Presented by Treasurer: MaryAnn Holman, 505 South First Street, Walters, OK 73572

Region 22 Treasurer's Report, cont'd.

All Money is deposited in the Walters Bank and Trust Company,
Walters, Oklahoma

Account: **REGION 22 AMERICAN IRIS SOCIETY YOUTH
ENDOWMENT FUND**

Balance 8-10-2009 \$ 2,593.59

Interest Earned

9-30-2009	\$2.80 (APYE)	.43%
12-31-2009	2.24 (APYE)	.34%
3-31-2010	.96 (APYE)	.15%
8-30-2010	.97 (APYE)	.15%

TOTAL \$6.97

Balance \$ 2,600.56

Presented by Treasurer: MaryAnn Holman, 505 South First Street, Walters,
OK 73572

Region 22 Auctions and Rhizome Sale Results

Silent Auction \$749.00

Iris Rhizome Auction \$4,220.00

Region 22 Membership Chairman

In the last issue, I wrote about inviting our friends to a meeting, show or other event, as a way to further introduce them to the world of iris.

This time let's consider some of the ways to "get the word out" to our friends, as well as others. Many local newspapers have a calendar of events page, for the weekend, week, or the month. Your listing of the event is usually free, as a community service. Check with your paper's social or styles editor for the proper procedure. When submitting your information, keep it concise, and clearly written or typed. Double check it for accuracy, of date, time, place, and especially the phone numbers!

Once your event date is determined, get a club approved flyer made up and distribute it to your members. Encourage them to make copies and spread them around. Stores often allow a copy to be posted in a "public notice" area, or on a front window. Always ask to do so, and offer to return after the event to remove the flyer. Most places remove such themselves. The flyer can be reduced to 1/2 or 1/4 page copies which can be posted as well as mailed, or handed out. The 1/4 page size is more likely to be put on the 'fridge', as a reminder.

Please use caution and common sense, this fall as we work at preparing our new beds. Plant those iris and get our gardens ready for the winter. Work safely.

I welcome your comments/suggestions.

Nick Stewart

Region 22 Meeting at Fin & Feather



Bob Van Liere, Guest Speaker & Judges Training Instructor with Cynthia Wade, Region 22 Youth Chair and Oklahoma Iris Society President



Regional attendees listening intently

Region 22 Meeting, cont'd



Josh Winzer from Tulsa, OK follows along with Bob Van Liere's Instructions and listening



LaVera Johnson, Searcy, AR watching Arkansas card sharks Phyllis Kirtley, James Bledsoe, Jane Bledsoe, and Linda Bell

Region 22 2010 Awards



CONGRATULATIONS to Bill McVicker for being awarded the Betty Emmons Memorial Service Award and Ann Barrows from Glencoe, OK for being awarded the Region 22 Hybridizer's Award



**2010 AIS CONVENTION
AWARDS
Madison, Wisconsin**

PRESIDENT'S CUP

Born to Please - Ruth Rogers - TB - 2006
Points North - Jack Worel - TB - 2008
Osseo - Jack Worel - TB - 2007
Ruffled Rascal - Francis Rogers - BB - 2009
Caveman - Jack Worel - TB - 2009

FRANKLIN-COOK CUP

Tree of Songs - Marty Schafer/Jan Sacks - SIB - 2006
Orchid Dove - Donald Spoon - TB - 2007
Guilt Free Sample - Paul Black - TB - 2007
Georgia's Dream - Steve Poole - TB - 2010

The following all tied for 4th runner-up spot

Attractive Lady - Tom Johnson - TB - 2007
Blowing Kisses - Keith Keppel - TB - 2007
Hooked Again - James Copeland - SIB - 2006
Kaelin's Lipstick - Steve Poole - TB - 2011
Sorbonne- Keith Keppel - TB - 2009
Wonders Never Cease - Paul Black - TB - 2009

BEN R. HAGER CUP

Dallas Mahan - Clarence Mahan - MTB - 2007
Ruffled Rascal - Francis Rogers - BB - 2009
Survivor - Lynda Miller - MTB - 2007
Bit O' Royalty - Stephanie Markham - MTB - 2008
Petit Louvois - Clarence Mahan - MTB - 2006

2010 AIS CONVENTION AWARDS, cont'd.

Top 15 Favorite Iris

Tree of Songs	Schafer/Sacks	SIB	2006
Orchid Dove	Spoon, D	TB	2007
Sassy Tart	Ernst, R	TB	2007
Super Model	Johnson, T	TB	2007
Bolshoi	Keppel, K	TB	2009
Guilt Free Sample	Black, P	TB	2007
Miss Apple	Schafer/Sacks	SIB	2009
Sorbonne	Keppel, K	TB	2009
Swans In Flight	Hollingworth, R	SIB	2005
Bollywood	Keppel, K	TB	2007
My Oh My	Schreiner's	TB	2007
Silk Road	Keppel, K	TB	2009
Blowing Kisses	Keppel, K	TB	2007
Main Street	Lauer, L	TB	2009
Ruffles and Flourishes	Hollingworth, R	SIB	2002
French Lilacs	Keppel, K	TB	2008
Wonders Never Cease	Black, P	TB	2007
Belle De Provence	Baumunk, L	TB	2006
Born To Please	Rogers, R	TB	2006
Gypsy Lord	Keppel, K	TB	2006
Strut Your Stuff	Black, P	TB	2007

REGION 22 BREAKING NEWS

The Region 22 Board voted to make the Winter Region 22 Newsletter an e-newsletter. Please send me your email address and I will email a copy to you. My email address is pwgossett@juno.com. You can also read the newsletter on the Region 22 Web Site at www.region22ais.org.

The next printed newsletter will be the 2011 Spring issue.

Thank you.....Paul

Being a Bus Captain at AIS Convention

YELLOW BUS #2 was the best at Madison.

Anticipation for the next AIS National Convention, for me, starts at the Awards Banquet of the current convention. Having been among friends and fellow irisarians for the past week has been great. An important aspect of the convention, for me, is to be able to be involved in a hands-on manner, such as helping set up a booth, hang a display, or just be a ‘gofer’ when needed. I feel useful and I’ve met the most interesting and friendly people. These are the leaders and workers who make it all happen. While in Kansas City, I became better acquainted with John Baker and his convention staff, having met them in Austin the year before. I assured John I would be in Madison, and if he needed help, I’d be glad to do so.

Upon my arrival in Madison, John was on me to put my money where my mouth had been. He needed a bus co-captain, due to a work schedule change of the assigned person. The duties of the bus captain and co-captain are quite varied, and though more complex than they appear to be, are 98% stress free. As a 2 member team, we greeted everyone in the morning as we boarded the bus to head out and see the bloom. On the way we’d give a short briefing on the day’s activities, draw for a couple of the “door prizes”, and maybe even have a point of interest to explain. “Up on the hill, to the right side of the bus,....”.

The “bus prizes” ranged from the whimsical to the useful and to really nice, such as a certificate for a new introduction, generously given by the hybridizers, some of whom are at the convention.

At the garden we gave a briefing on what to see, the history of the place, the time to be back to the bus, and after everyone was safely off the bus, we could go see the bloom.

Being a Bus Captain, cont'd.

The passengers of Yellow Bus #2 agreed with me that Melody was the best of captains. As the mother of three boys and a trauma center ER nurse, she had a great considerations for them. Those people were our greatest reward, as well. Their smiles and encouraging comments made our day. It was such a privilege to be able to get better acquainted with them as we traveled each day. I look forward to seeing them in Victoria in 2011, as once more we tour the gardens together.

Nick Stewart

Region 22 Would Like To Welcome New Members

Jackie Anderson-Thackerville, OK

Klara Bannon-Lawton, OK

Leonard Bailey-Lawton, OK

Len Elliott-Searcy, AR

Alex Hodge-Yukon, OK (Youth)

Julia Hodge-Yukon, OK (Youth)

Elizabeth Resk, Tinker AFB, OK (Youth)

Mary Sele-Jacksonville, AR

Mark Shipp-Malvern, AR

Katrina VanCleave-Kingfisher, OK (Youth)

2011 HIPS Rhizome Sale

Call for Donations

Once again it's time to check our gardens for extra rhizomes. Although it's winter and the iris are sleeping, please take time to let HIPS know which iris you might have to donate.

The annual rhizome sale is the largest source of income used to continue publishing ROOTS (with all its glorious color photos) and other projects without passing that cost on to the members.

There is also a demand for historic iris (introduced before 1981) other than tall bearded. If you have older dwarfs, medians of all types, arils/arilbreds, Japanese, Spuria, Siberian, etc., please consider donating these also.

We will again be sharing our unidentified historic ("unknowns") this year. These can also be donated, if you give a short description and a photo.

Send your list of available rhizomes (with approximate quantities you have to send) no later than March 1, 2011 to:

If you live in the US:
Janice Thompson
2790 Luella Road
Sherman, TX 75090
ciris03@yahoo.com

If you live in Canada:
Barb Jackson
2421 McDonald Avenue
Brandon, MB R7B 0A6
CANADA (Manitoba)
jacksonb@mts.net

A list of the varieties available and instructions for ordering iris will be published in the Spring 2011 issue of ROOTS and listed on the HIPS website.

Instructions and deadlines for sending the rhizomes will be sent to those donating iris. Generally speaking, we will need your rhizomes sent early to mid July.

Thank you - success depends on the support of all HIPS members!

Barb Jackson
Jean Richter
Janice Thompson
HIPS Rhizome Sale Co - Chairs

NEWS FROM AIS

Milestones:

If your society is having a special event or project this year: Jim Morris, compiler of the Milestones column in the AIS Bulletin, would like to know. The Milestones column is the place for your society to promote your events, special occasions, and anniversaries. Please send your article to Jim at MORRISJE1@aol.com

2011 AIS Calendars

The 2011 AIS Calendars are here. These calendars are beautifully done. They make great gifts for family and friends and can also be used as door prizes at your society meetings. They can be ordered through the AIS Storefront, John and Kay Ludi, P. O. Box 956, Sandy, OR 97055. They are priced at \$7.00 each or \$50.00 for a package of 10.

AIS NOTE CARDS: Five different themes (packets) available

Theme # 1 - GARDEN DELIGHT, Theme # 2 - COUNTRY LANDSCAPE, Theme # 3 - BEARDED WONDERS, Theme # 4 - HAVE NOT'S (Beardless), and Theme # 5 - GOING NATIVE. Each theme includes 8 different pictures, 8 envelopes and 8 AIS Seals. Each Note Card is 4 1/4 " x 5 1/2" bifold. Price is \$5.00 per packet. Order by Theme # or Theme Name from the AIS Storefront.

AIS Slide Show Committee

Looking for resources for your programs? The AIS Program Resources Slide Committee is busy developing new presentations, both in slides and digital format. Some of the new programs include "Iris & The Societies That Love Them" and "2007 Introductions". Please contact Janet Smith at AISSlides@irises.org for full selections.

DONATIONS TO AIS

Donations to AIS may be sent to

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Bloomin' Buck\$ 2010

With Brent and Becky's Bulbs

The AIS Board, at the Fall 2009 Board meeting, approved a major "fundraising initiative" and a partnering with Brent & Becky's Bulbs to benefit AIS.

Go to the link www.bloominbucks.com. Once there, you just click on American Iris Society from their list of organizations and you will land right into their ordering site. They have so much to offer...not just bulbs, but gardening accessories and tools, etc.

Please check it out now and pass this link along to your affiliates and friends as soon as possible. Help support AIS - every little bit helps. For every order completed through the www.bloominbucks.com link, the American Iris Society will receive 25% of the total order.

AIS CONVENTIONS

2011	Victoria, BC Canada	May 29-June 3
2012	Ontario, California	Apr 16-21
2013	Dallas, Texas	Apr 15-20

FALL BOARD MEETINGS

2010	Portland, OR	Nov 5-7
2011	Atlanta, GA	Nov 4-6

AIS Membership

Single Annual	\$ 25.00
One Member, one year	
Dual Annual	\$ 30.00
Two members, one bulletin	
Single Triennial	\$ 60.00
One member, three years	
Dual Triennial	\$ 75.00
Two members, three years	
Youth (with Bulletin)	\$ 9.00
Under age 19, one year	
Youth (without Bulletin)	\$ 5.00
Under age 19, one year, adult is AIS member	
Single Lifetime*	\$ 450.00
Dual Lifetime *	\$ 545.00

*Senior Life (age 65+): 15% discount. (For Dual Senior Life, both members must be 65 or older). 15% Senior Discount applies only to Life Memberships.

To become an AIS member, please send a check made payable to the American Iris Society (AIS), or payment may be made using your VISA or MasterCard number, expiration date, and signature. On-line payment is now available also. Join or renew your membership with AIS with our on-line AIS Membership Selection.

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