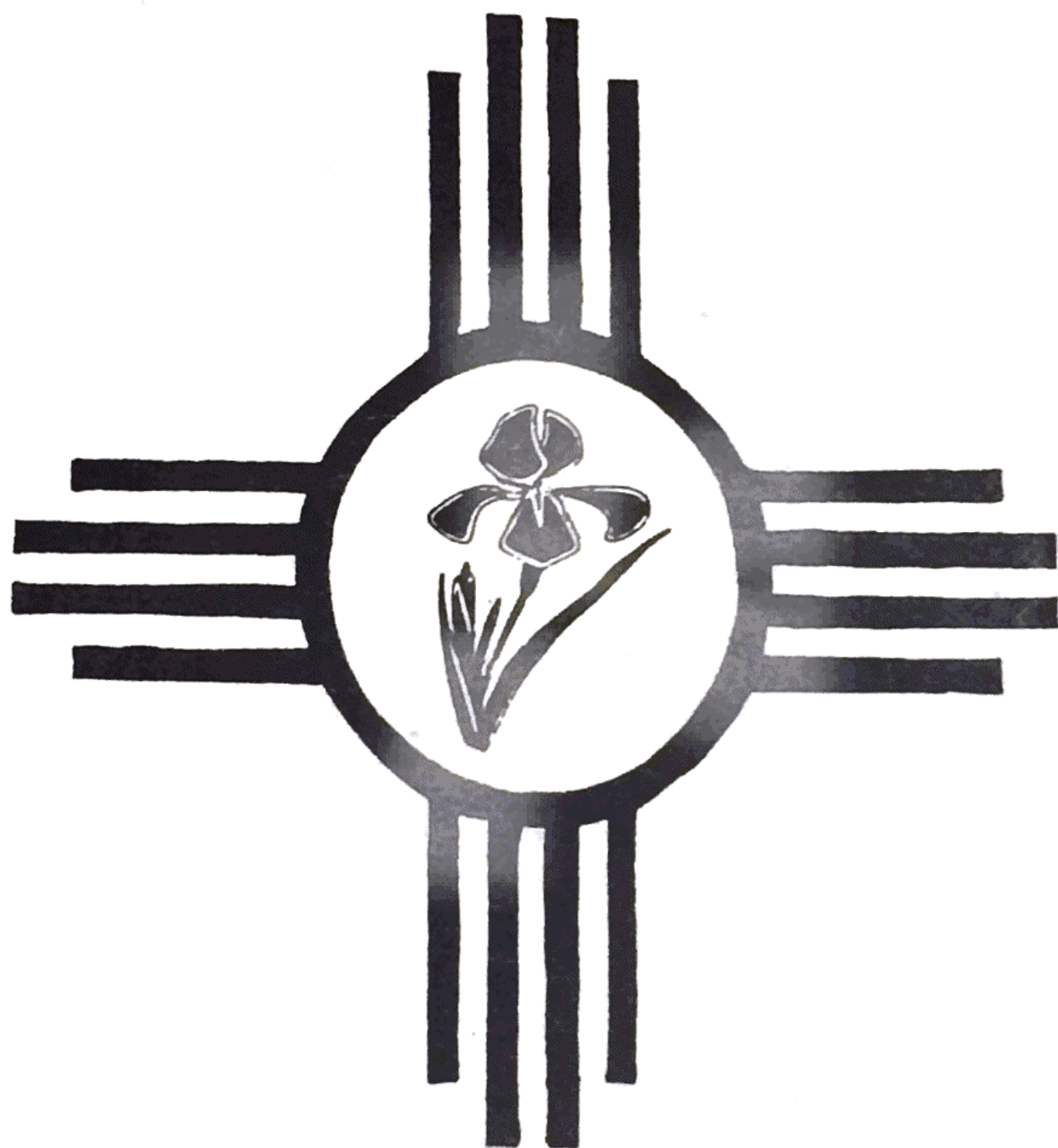


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YOUR RVP

Whee! Here we go into the last year as you RVP. I will say this -- it has had its ups and downs. I have enjoyed the last two years very much. We are already into the third month so time is really flying now that I am having fun.

Last year was a very good year for our region, and all of you made it possible. Our membership is stable. We seem to gain as many members as we loose. If we placed as much emphasis on NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP as we do on local we would probably gain more national members.

I hear that Hooker Nichols did a fine job on the judge's training in Amarillo. The ones that went from our region sure had a great time. Some even helped the local economy by going shopping.

Lynda Miller is all set to come to Albuquerque on May 9th to do her Judge's training on May 10th. Lu Danielson is ready to do her Judge's training on April 11 in Chaparral. The last session of the year will be by Dave Niswonger in Hobbs at our regional convention.

It is now time to select our nominating committee. We will have eight candidate's but only five will be elected to serve. So think about whom you vote for but please be prompt in returning you ballot.

The National Convention is right around the corner and I hope to see several of you in Atlanta. If you are unable to go to Atlanta, Region 20 has quite a shindig planned for June in Colorado Springs.

I am sure looking forward to our regional in August. Please help us to make it the biggest and best one ever. The plans are already complete for August 7, 8, and 9th.

We seem to have a very busy schedule. Now we put seven shows on top of the above, and we had better get busy.

See you soon.

Doug.

PECOS VALLEY IRIS SOCIETY (PVIS) (How to start a new iris society)

When we moved to Roswell, first on my list of things to do, was to join the "Roswell Iris Society". (I had already checked to see if there was an iris society before we decided whether to take the job or not!) Wayne was unable to attend, as it is a morning club. Since he enjoyed the Omaha Iris meeting, he mentioned how he missed being a part of a society. So in May, at the RIS flower show, we had a sheet stating that we were considering an evening iris society for people who worked, and asked people interested to sign our sheet and put a notice in the paper. There were 16 people at our Sept. meeting (even though it had poured down rain all day, and streets were flooded) All 16 joined with 14 AIS memberships.

In Oct. RVP Doug Goodnight, Sec. Elaine Bartlett, Jean Chapman, and Alma Maxwell traveled to Roswell to welcome our new society with a great big HUG as only the Hobbs group can do!!

Doug showed slides of the Washington D.C. convention. We had cut stalks of reblooming iris and Doug brought a large box of reblooming rhizomes to give to our members. Everyone enjoyed the evening very much! Needless to say, our newest iris growers were overcome by the "Reblooming Iris Virus"

At our January meeting, it was discussed and agreed upon, that our club would focus on rebloomers and within a couple years start having fall flower shows. Of course, we will grow all of the other iris too.

We are especially grateful to the Roswell Iris Society (RIS) for generously "seeding" our treasury. PVIS will work with RIS on putting on the spring flower show for a couple of years. Then maybe we will be ready to have the fall shows.

We plan to have separate rhizome sales, even though PVIS will have to sell on consignment the first year.

All in all we are off to an exciting start. We have new iris growers who are eager to learn more about them, and experienced growers who are as eager to teach them (while still learning themselves). That's what an Iris Society is all about!!!

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Leslie Jobe'

JUST A FEW WORDS ABOUT OUR CANDIDATES:

Karen Bergamo, New Mexico Iris Society President. Member of Aril Society International, Albuquerque Iris Society, Reblooming Iris Society, and Santa Fe Iris Society. Life member of AIS. Region 23 Youth Chairman.

She has been in New Mexico for ten years and now grows over 300 varieties of iris. Arils, Arilbreds, Spurias and all types of bearded iris.

Karen is now an apprentice Judge working on hours and training to become a garden judge. Karen joined AIS in 1987.

Bill Brown has been a member of AIS since 1982 and is a garden judge. He has served our region as Treasurer. Bill is like alot of us. He grows more iris than he can take care of.

Mrs. Milton Clauser (Patti) has been a member of AIS since 1969. She is an active Master Judge and a past RVP.

Leslie Jobe' writes "Wayne and I have six children, five grandchildren and two more on the way. We moved to Roswell on Oct. 16, 1990."

"I first joined AIS and "The Boothill Iris Society" in Dodge City, Ks. in 1977. 1981 found us moving to Midland, Tx. I didn't renew my AIS membership until 1984 when I joined the "West Texas Iris Society".

"We were "on the road again" in 1985. This move took us to Omaha, Nebraska and "the Greater Omaha Iris Society" We were only there two years, but we learned so much from them. In 1987 we headed south to Houston, Tx. There were no iris societies there, but I continued my AIS membership. We were there four years, and felt lost without an iris club! In 1990 we moved to Roswell and once again I was able to join an Iris Society. I am currently serving as Vice-Pres. of the "Roswell Iris Society". In 1991 Wayne and I started an evening society "The Pecos Valley Iris Society" I serve as president of this group."

"It sure feels good to be back in an active Iris Community!!!"

Howard Shockey has been a member of AIS since 1957. He is an active Master Judge, and is a past RVP. He is serving as National Slides Chairman, and is on the AIS Board of Directors, as well as President of Aril Society International.

Howard is an out standing hybridizer and will be honored at Atlanta for one of his iris.

Evalyn Siegfried has been a member of AIS since 1975 and has held every office in the Roswell Iris Society. She is now a student Judge.

Floyd Stopani has been a member of AIS since 1981 and is a garden judge. He now holds the office of Treasurer for Region 23.

JUDGE'S CORNER:

I am very sorry to inform you that our Dear Lovely Lucille Mahoney has resigned as a Garden Judge. We will miss her so much in our shows because she was such a pleasure to work with. Thanks a million for your years of service

THE PASSING OF A LOVED ONE!

We were very sorry to hear that Barbra Figgie's Father passed away Saturday, March 14, 1992. Our hearts go out to you in your time of sorrow. Most of us have walked this path of sorrow so we are able to relate to the way that you feel.

REGION #23 CONVENTION

Dates August 8th and 9th.

Early Arrivals on August 7th are invited to attend a dinner in your honor at Doug and Jennie Goodnight's place at 7:00 PM. I only need to know one thing, that is how many. We will mail out all of the registration information the first of July. Please let me know then if you plan to attend the dinner.

Headquarters will be The Hobbs Motor Inn. Make your own reservations Direct, and Mention that you are with the Region #23 Iris Convention.

New Mexico residents call 1-800-624-5937, out of state 1-800-635-6639. There is no deadline date at the present time.

Room Rates: King Mini (2 people) \$34.00
Queen Double (up to 4 people) \$37.00.

There will be a 20% discount on all food purchased when you show your room key.

We know that all of you will not attend, but we can still dream.

GENEROSITY SECTION!

I wish to thank the societies that are continuing to send donations to the RVP fund. The freewill donations are much nicer than an assessment. Our largest expense is our newsletter and we seem to be keeping up with the cost.

SHOW DATES

Albuquerque Aril Society April 2.
Albuquerque Iris Guild May 16.
Lea County Iris Society. April 25.
Mesilla Valley Iris Society. April 25.
New Mexico Iris Society. May 9.
Pecos Valley & Roswell Iris Societies. . . May 2.
Santa Fe Iris Society. May 30.

JUDGE'S TRAINING

Lu Danielson's Garden in Chaparral, New Mexico April 11, 1992. The address is 425 Luna. There will be a dutch treat Pizza lunch after. Starting time is 9:00 AM Garden Judging on arils and arilbreds. Three Hours credit.

Valerie White's garden will be the site for three hours of Judges training by Lynda Miller on Medians. This will start at 9:00 AM on May 10, 1992. Address is 1428 Stagecoach Lane SE, Albuquerque, NM. If you have any questions please contact Karen Bergamo at 299-5198.

AIS MEMBERSHIP RATES

Single Annual	\$ 12.50	Dual Triennial	37.50
Single Triennial	30.00	Single Life	250.00
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Youth Member, Without Bulletin			3.00
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Single Annual	\$15.00	Dual Annual	\$18.00
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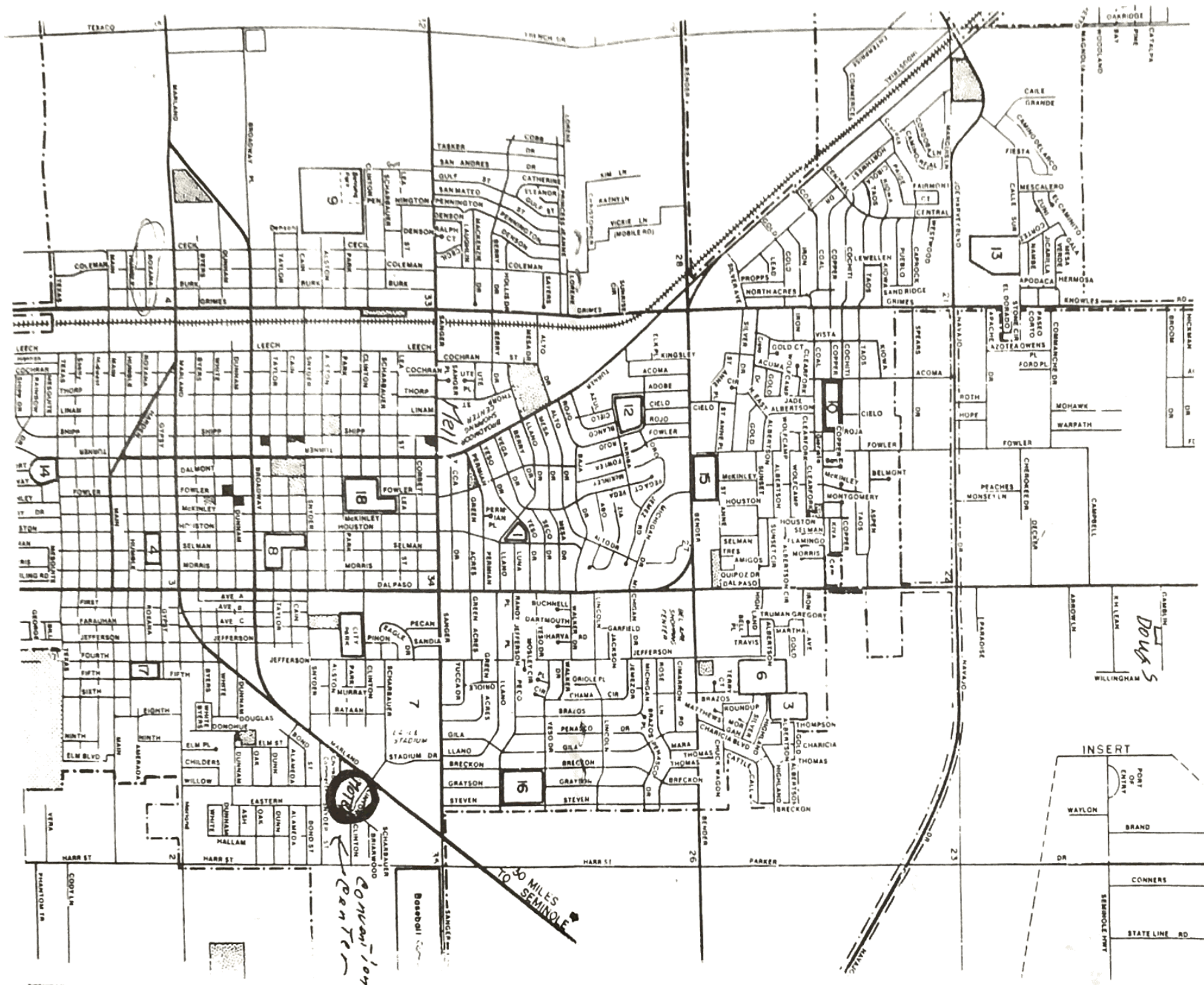
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Spuria Iris Society	5.00	12.00	8.00	14.00
Society for Japanese Irises	3.50	9.00	4.00	10.50
Reblooming Iris Society	4.00	10.00	5.00	12.00
Society for Pacific Coast				
Native Iris	4.00	10.00	5.00	12.00
Species Iris Group of				
North America	3.50	9.00	4.50	10.50
Louisiana Iris Society of America	3.00	8.00	4.50	12.00
Dwarf Iris Society	3.00	8.00	4.50	12.00
Historic Iris Preservation Society	5.00	12.00	8.00	15.00

Membership in AIS sections is open to all AIS members. Payment may be made directly to the Section, or may be made payable to the American Iris Society and sent to AIS Membership Secretary, Marilyn Harlow, P.O. Box 8455, San Jose, CA 95155

American Iris Society Conventions

1992	Atlanta, GA	April 28-May 2
1993	Fort Worth, TX	April 20-24
1994	Portland, OR	May 21-25
1995	Hershey, PA	
1996	Sacramento, CA	
1997		
1998	Denver, CO	



NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

All Eight Region 23 Affiliates timely submitted candidates for election to the Nominating Committee, as follows:

Albuquerque Aril Society.....Howard Shockey
Albuquerque Iris Guild.....Bill Coursey
Lea County Iris Society.....Bill Brown
Mesilla Valley Iris Society.....Floyd Stopani
New Mexico Iris Society.....Mrs Milton Clauser (Patti)
Pecos Valley Iris Society.....Leslie Jobe'
Roswell Iris Society.....Evelyn Siegfried
Santa Fe Iris Society.....Karen Bergamo

Below is your official ballot. Per Region 23 By Laws, ballots must be returned to the RVP prior to April 5, 1992 to be valid. The five candidates receiving the largest number of votes will serve as the NOMINATING COMMITTEE. The candidate receiving the greatest number of votes will act as CHAIRMAN.

BALLOT FOR REGION23

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Note: Do Not Vote For More Than Five Candidates.


VALID FOR ____ Vote(s)

Karen Bergamo.....
Bill Brown.....
Mrs Milton Clauser (Patti).....
Bill Coursey.....
Leslie Jobe'.....
Evelyn Siegfried.....
Howard Shockey.....
Floyd Stopani.....

**Join the American
Iris Society!**



What can I do to help preserve old irises?

 (After I join HIPS, of course!)

Most of us deeply involved in iris are collectors at heart. We talk about landscaping our garden and doing more to diversify our varieties - but, the bottom line usually consists of more and newer Tall Bearded. Many of us keep and add to the Dykes Medalists as our contribution towards displaying the history of our favorite flower.

*Be different - To Conserve and Preserve, don't just grow the Dykes:
instead...*

Select a hybridizer and grow his/her introductions that interest you.

Grow a few introductions from the year you were born - (for some of us these will fall into the historical category!)

Chose a decade - grow the outstanding cultivars of that ten year span.

Feature some of the introductions of an old Nursery.

Select a color break and grow a living record of its development

Are beardless iris your favorites? Grow a few clumps of old Sibs or collect a half dozen historical JIs

Edge your TB planting with some old SDBs.

Start the season with a handful of historic IBs.

Grow the Dykes if you must, but do grow some of the other older iris as well.

Historic Iris Preservation Society

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JANUARY 1992

The Santa Fe Iris Society met at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, January 29, at LaFarge Library with President Maggie Rubino presiding. Due to a full agenda, it was moved that minutes from the last meeting be omitted.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Planted acquisitions: Betty Gonzales moved that we use this year's extra acquisitions for the auction in July, and that new rhizomes be ordered to be grown as acquisitions. Seconded and passed.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Maggie presented her 1992 budget for \$2,437. Peggy Johnson moved to pass the budget. Seconded and passed. Maggie also mentioned that we now have 74 members.
2. Sylvia moved that the Iris Fan be sent out only before special events, about four times per year, because the cost is too high at \$65 per mailing. Seconded and passed. Post cards or letters will suffice on a monthly basis.
3. Gene Loring brought up two issues:
 - a) Median maintenance:
Clean-up day: Saturday, 3/14, 9:00-12:00.
Fertilizing: Saturday, 4/25, 9:00-12:00 ???
Pre-Flower Clean-up: ???

Sylvia suggested that we try signing people up from a list of jobs to be completed when convenient for each person, rather than trying to coordinate a group meeting. Gene also mentioned that we should evaluate the median's appearance.
 - b) T-Shirts: Gene displayed an attractive, stylized t-shirt which costs \$12 each, and would sell for around \$16. It was agreed that he would look into bulk costs and adding the SFIS logo, and that it might be sold at the show this year.
4. Door Prizes: Pat Feather explained that we need a volunteer each month to provide a door prize, and that the proceeds go to prizes at the year-end banquet. She passed around a sign-up sheet.
5. Refreshments: Maggie said she will take care of coffee, but SFIS needs a hostess each month to provide food. A sign-up sheet was also passed around for this.

JANUARY 1992

6. Ev Remmers brought up the possibility of moving SFIS meetings to the third Wednesday of each month. Much discussion followed, with Larry saying it's easier to remember the last Wednesday. Voting was postponed.
7. Iris Show: Dorothy passed around a sign-up sheet for various Show functions.
Date: Sylvia moved the show be Saturday, 5/30. Seconded and passed. Betty moved that the show be held only on one day. Seconded and passed.
Location: Sylvia moved the show be held at DeVargas Mall. Seconded and passed.
Theme: Dorothy suggested Discovering the Iris in honor of the quincentennial of Columbus' arrival in the New World.
Award: Dorothy asked for award donations. If she receives them soon enough, she will make a listing of who contributed.
Professional Growers: The possibility of having a separate table and competition category for professionals was discussed. Karin Capra stated that she would prefer to compete against other professionals, because it seemed more equitable than competing against individuals.
Maggie suggested that we think about the theme, award and a professional competition category, and that those issues be discussed further at the February meeting.
8. Lending Tables: Ev moved that we have anyone borrowing tables sign an agreement to pay \$1 per table plus a \$40 refundable damage deposit. Seconded and passed.
9. Peggy Johnson moved that Karin's son, Jason Tyler, be made an honorary member of SFIS until he is of an age to join. Seconded and passed. Karin was delighted.
10. Sylvia is going to borrow SFIS' backdrop boards on 2/24.
11. Iris Sale:
Date: Sylvia moved 7/25. Seconded and passed.
Location: Jean moved we stay at DeVargas Mall. Seconded and passed.
12. Barbara Goede, a new member, asked for volunteers for El Rancho de las Golondrinas.

Door prize was "Crystal Bay", donated by Betty Gonzalez and won by Paula Nolan. Income from January door prize raffle: \$14.50. Refreshments were provided by Maggie Rubino, who also provided a beautiful slide program on Spurias.

Respectfully submitted,

Karin Capra
Karin Capra Secretary

Rocky Mountain Region Iris Tour

June 5,6,7
Colorado Springs Hilton Inn
I-25 & Garden of the Gods Road
Colorado Springs, Colorado

This tour is sponsored by Region 20 of the American Iris Society. The cost of the tour is \$35.00 per person for AIS members; and \$45.00 per person for non-members. The price includes welcome reception, bus tour, lunch, and banquet dinner. The itinerary is as follows:

- June 5, 1992 at 7:00PM - Welcome Reception at Hilton Inn
- June 6, 1992 at 7:30 AM - Board Bus for first garden tour. At the Dr. Loomis Memorial Iris Trial Garden a continental breakfast will be served. There are 27 beds of iris including SDB's, TB's, BB's, TB's, Sib's, La's, Arils, and Ja's. Most of the iris in this garden are 1990's iris. Many are hybridizers future introductions.
- June 6, 1992 at 9:00 AM - Bus leaves for Longs Garden, Boulder, Colorado. Longs Gardens consists of acres of mostly tall bearded iris. Region 20 maintains a Display Garden here. Most iris in this display are 1990 and 1991 TB introductions. Many Colorado hybridizers have iris introduced by Longs Garden. Box lunch will be served.
- June 6, 1992 at 1:30 PM - Bus leaves for Carr-Villa Gardens. This is the home of the Region 20 Median Display Garden, maintained by David Shannon. Carr-Villa Gardens are kept up by Roy Krug & Jess Quintana. A lovely garden with iris and other perennials.
- June 6, 1992 at 3:00 PM - Bus leaves for Harry Kaezels Garden, Littleton, CO. Harry has a wide selection of iris that includes medians and siberian iris.
- June 6, 1992 at 4:15 PM - Bus leaves for Hilton Inn.
- June 6, 1992 at 7:30 PM - Banquet Dinner served at Hilton Inn.
- June 7, 1992 at 9:00 AM - Judges Training at Dr. Loomis Gardens. This training will cover point scoring of iris.
- June 7, 1992 9 till 3 PM - Maps provided for self guided tour of iris gardens in Colorado Springs.

Hotel Reservations can be made at the Colorado Springs Hilton. Room rate is \$45.00 plus tax single or double, \$55.00 plus tax triple/quadruple. Please make reservations before April 15, 1992. Call hotel at (719) 598-7656. If you wish to stay longer than weekend, room rate continues as stated. This is a very good rate for this time of year.

Make tour reservations by April 15, 1992. Make checks payable to Region 20. Send checks to Mike Moller, 3455 Vallejo Court, Colorado Springs, CO 80918. If you have any questions call Mike at (719) 598-2024.

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Region	Votes	Members	X Voting	
1	48	316	15.2	
2	38	274	13.9	
3	43	233	18.5	
4	88	689	12.8	
5	50	302	16.6	
6	92	496	18.5	
7	124	685	18.1	
8	36	193	18.7	
9	Did not report	221	--	
10	4	55	7.3	
11	33	91	36.3	(2)
12	31	77	40.3	(1)
13	93	382	24.3	
14	161	835	19.3	
15	105	514	20.4	
16	22	107	20.6	
17	109	536	20.3	
18	155	622	24.9	
19	23	155	14.8	
20	65	270	24.1	
21	75	405	18.5	
22	119	498	23.9	
23	64	196	32.7	(3)
24	4	197	2.0	
QS	7	288	2.4	
TOTAL	1589	8637	18.4	

Your Symposium vote was terrific! I do hope that we can be number one this year. Thanks for the great improvement.

Tall Bearden Iris
Arl-Bred Iris
Tritoma (Pokerplant)
Roses
Umbrella Plants

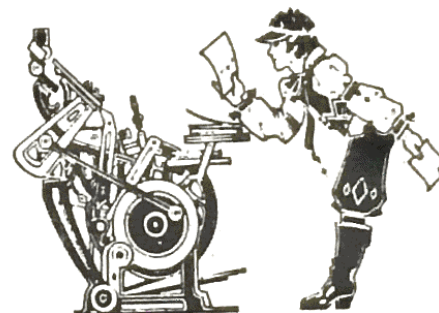
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