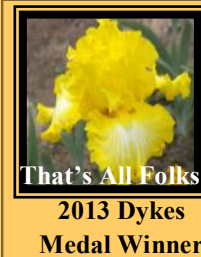




Waco Iris Society News

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2014 Iris Show Canceled

A poll was taken among members at our March meeting and it was determined the freeze and ice earlier in the month has set our iris bloom back at least 2 weeks. Other venues were researched for a different date, and no suitable site was found. It is with great regret that our 2014 Iris Show has been canceled.

The following invitation has been received from the Belton Iris Society: I am inviting all Waco Iris Society members, family, and friends to attend the Belton Iris Show on **Saturday, April 19th**. Our entire Show Schedule with all the rules and categories is available on our website: www.kenfuchs42.belton_index.html

I find it easier to google: Belton Iris Society. The rule I need to mention most, is all of our irises (except Louisiana) are shown in green glass bottles. It does not matter the type of bottle and some of our members use wine bottles, some coke bottles, florist vases, anything made of green glass. We have a few loner bottles and tri-fold presentation boards. Please contact Jim Landers (jimlanders43@hotmail.com) or myself to reserve any loner items. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at gemhem@gmail.com. Also, traffic on I-35 can be a bear, so you might want to add extra travel time to your trip. I plan to be there early to get the coffee started.

Looking forward to seeing you on April 19th,

Karen A. Woods
Belton Iris Society President

Region 17 Iris Shows

Regarding other Region 17 Iris Societies, the **Lone Star Iris Society** in Hico has canceled their April 13th show.

Johnson County Iris & Daylily Society in Cleburne canceled their April 12th show, but have rescheduled for April 19th.

Iris Society of Dallas-April 7th

Iris Society of Austin is having their show at Zilker Gardens on April 12.

West Texas Iris Society of Midland-April 12

Permian Basin Iris Society of Odessa-April 19th

Texoma Rainbow Iris Society of Sherman/Denison-April 19th

Benson Iris Society of Wichita Falls-April 26th

South Plains Iris Society of Lubbock-April 26

Fort Worth Iris Society-April 26-27th

North Plains Iris Society of Amarillo-May 11.

Everyone is invited to show or attend any iris society show. If you would like to learn more about any show, contact information may be found on the AIS Region 17 website: <http://www.aisregion17.org/calendar.html>

Gardener's Gathering

Sorry for the last minute notification, but we just found out about this Monday. The Gardener's Gathering at the Carleen Bright Arboretum in Woodway will be held this Sunday, April 6. If you potted any irises last fall to sell at the iris show, bring them to the Gardener's Gathering this Sunday. Set-up is 10-12 and it opens to the public from 1-4. We will be at our

usual spot—straight ahead from the entrance where the road starts to circle around to the left. Call or e-mail me your list of plants so I can have photos of everything we have to sell. As usual, the sales will be a 50-50 share between the grower and the club. If you want money back, please attach a small strip of paper with your initials and the selling price. On your plants, have the name of the iris and the price marked in permanent marker. We usually try to put at least 3 rhizomes per pot and sell the pots for \$10 each or 3/\$25. The address is 1 Pavilion Way in Woodway. The easiest directions are to go South on Bosque from Hwy 6 until you come to the red light. The Arboretum is on the right.

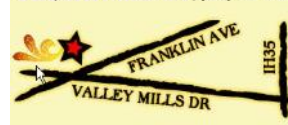
See you in the garden.

May Meeting/Luncheon

Our annual year end luncheon and meeting will be held at La Fiesta Restaurant May 17.



Waco, 3815 Franklin Ave | (254) 756-4701



Members should arrive at 11:00 to be seated in a special room in the back. We will order from the menu and the Society will pay for member meals. Guests are always invited to attend.

A brief business meeting will be held

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MARK THESE DATES



April 6

Gardener's Gathering
Carleen Bright Arboretum, Woodway



May 17

WIS Luncheon at LaFiesta



August 22-23

AIS Region 17 Regional Meeting
Amarillo, TX



September 20

WIS Meeting-Iris Giveaway, Exchange and
Auction



September 27

WIS Iris Sale
GreenLife Nursery-New Rd.@Bosque



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We're on the Web:

[http://www.kenfuchs42.net/
waco_index.html](http://www.kenfuchs42.net/waco_index.html)



Iris Questions and Answers By Jim & Janet Wilson, LaGrange, KY (cont. from pg. 3)

to discuss where our September auction/gift irises will be purchased. All our current officers have agreed to serve one more year, so no need to install officers.

Be thinking about what kind of programs/topics you would like see for the 2014-2015 club year.

March Meeting Highlights

After much discussion regarding what to do about our iris show, Glenn Huddleston gave a PowerPoint presentation on Iris Scorch. This is a problem which is occurring more and more in our area, yet very little is known about cause and treatment. Most irisarians agree, if you have a plant

with scorch, dig it up and get rid of it. Even if it were to recover, the plant would be stunted and probably not bloom again for several years.

We were happy to have a guest attend our March meeting. Dolores Avram, from Belton came and has indicated a desire to become our newest member. Dolores is also a member of the Belton Iris Society and the Johnson County Iris & Daylily Society.

Welcome Dolores.



AIS MEMBERSHIP DRAWING

Winner for March
Mitchell Whitley

