



Waco Iris Society News



Bottle Rocket

2019 Dykes Medal Winner

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SHOW CANCELLED

President's Message by Dan Cathey

President Trump announced earlier this week that the social distancing guidelines have been extended to April 30th nationwide. Regretfully, this means that we will be canceling our 2020 Iris Show. Ken Anderson, our Show Chair shared this with me: *I am disappointed that we will not have a show this year. However, in view of the situations that many people confront at this time the cancellation of our show is really a minor inconvenience and disappointment. We can retain the same theme for our 2021 Show with a very little bit of updating. My wish*

at this time is that everyone will come through this difficult time with good health and the promise of another spring with more beautiful irises!

I know this will be a major disappointment to many of us since this bloom season has been outstanding so far. Peggy and my early bloomers have been remarkable with some of the tallest and straightest stalks I have ever seen. While I share everyone's disappointment regardless of the guidelines in place, it would be irresponsible, I believe, to host a public gathering at this time. Our

next scheduled meeting is the May Luncheon. It is too early, in my opinion, to address the feasibility of that get-together, so I will keep everyone informed about May's status as the date gets closer. For my part, we have been "erring on the side of caution" when it comes to public interactions. Like a lot of our membership, we are in the higher risk group and are limiting ourselves accordingly. I have no reports of any of our members who are ill, and I am grateful for that. I have asked Peggy to give an update on AIS National and Regional and local event status.

AIS and Region 17 Cancellations by Peggy Cathey

Jodi Nolin, AIS President announced on March 16 that the 100 Year Anniversary Celebration of the American Iris Society to be held in New York City, May 18-23 was cancelled. All the "mini" Spring

conventions have also been cancelled. We have heard from all our Region 17 (Texas) clubs and all those spring shows are cancelled. On March 26, Getty Snyder, AIS Awards Chair announced this year's

awards voting has been cancelled—No Dykes Medal this year. He stated no judge would be dropped for failing to vote. Bonnie Nichols, AIS Judges Training Chair announced if you are a Student, Apprentice,



AIS & Region 17 Cancellations by Peggy Cathey

Garden, or Master Judges that lacks hours for 2020, the decision has been made to extend your eligibility

for one year. Dell Perry, Region 17 Judges Training Liaison announced cancellation of several JT classes

which were scheduled for April. Please check with her if you need more information.

Virtual Iris Show by Peggy Cathey

To help “ease the pain” of no show this year, the Waco Iris Society decided to host a “Virtual Iris Show” on our Facebook Group page: <https://www.facebook.com/WacoIrisSociety/> The virtual show is open to everyone. Just post your

iris photos on the club Facebook page or email them to me at wacoir-iss@gmail.com and I will post for you. You may also text them to me at 817-666-9002. I will need the name of the iris, your name and location (city) for the photos.

Here are just a few of the “Virtual Iris Show” entries as of this issue. For more photos of beautiful irises, please follow us on Facebook. We will continue to post your photos on our Facebook page as the season progresses.

2020 Waco Iris Society Virtual Iris Show Division I-Horticulture Section A-Tall Bearded



Avalon Sunset, Schreiner 1994-Debbie Fetner, Hewitt, TX



Baditude, Burseen 2000-Peggy & Dan Cathey, Covington, TX



Bandwidth, Sutton 2010-Debbie Fetner, Hewitt, TX



Black Magic Woman, Tasco 2008-Mary & Jerry Keeth, Alvarado, TX



Dragon King, Tasco 2011-Mary & Jerry Keeth, Alvarado, TX



Fruited Plain, M Sutton 2012-Peggy & Dan Cathey, Covington, TX



Gen Gen, Burseen 2014-Naomi & Leroy Nabors, Cranfills Gap, TX



Ice Cream Sundae, Tasco 2018-Peggy & Dan Cathey, Covington, TX



Lest We Forget, G Sutton 2008-Mary & Jerry Keeth, Alvarado, TX



Magic Palette, Fan 1994-Debbie Fetner, Hewitt, TX



User Friendly, Burseen 2015-Mary & Jerry Keeth, Alvarado, TX



Western Ways, Burseen 2013-Ken Anderson, Gatesville, TX



Section B-Median, Group 3 Intermediate Bearded



Bottle of Bliss, Blyth 2013-Peggy & Dan Cathey, Covington, TX



Concertina, Sutton 2000-Debbie Fetner, Hewitt, TX



Pink Collage, Spoon 2006-Peggy & Dan Cathey, Covington, TX



Sugar Snaps, Pinegar 1999-Debbie Fetner, Hewitt, TX

Section C-Arillbred



Limbo Rock, Black 2015-Naomi & Leroy Nabors, Cranfills Gap, TX



Tien Shan, Jensen 2005-Ken Anderson, Gatesville, TX



Warrior Prince, Tasco 2015-Naomi & Leroy Nabors, Cranfills Gap, TX

Section I-Historic (1990 and earlier)



Colortart, Innerst 1983-Debbie Fetner, Hewitt, TX



Haunting Music, Moores 1980-Mary & Jerry Keeth, Alvarado, TX



Ida Red, Clark 1979-Peggy & Dan Cathey, Covington, TX



Skating Party, Gaultier 1983-Naomi & Leroy Nabors, Cranfills Gap, TX

Section J-Space Agers



Casino Cruiser, Burseen 2008-Mary & Jerry Keeth, Alvarado, TX



Imperial Orator, Burseen 2018-Peggy & Dan Cathey, Covington TX



Iron Eagle, Sutton 2000-Debbie Fetner, Hewitt, TX



Miles Keith, Burseen 2013-Peggy & Dan Cathey, Covington, TX



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Meetings held 3rd Saturday of January,
March, May,
September and November at 10 a.m.
Crestview Church of Christ
Community Center, 7129 Delhi, Waco

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Word Search: Actual Iris Names for Current Events by Peggy Cathey

Words may be Forward, Backward, Diagonal, Up or Down

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| AmericanNurse | OutOfWork |
| BehindClosedDoors | Pandemonium |
| Borderline | Paper Dragon |
| ChangingTimes | QuarantineFlagge |
| Distance | Shelter- |
| FamilyTies | FromTheStorm |
| Fever | ShortLine |
| FrontPage | ShowStopper |
| GardenTime | SniffsNSneezes |
| GoodDoctor | SocialEvent |
| Handshake | StayingAlive |
| HappyHugs | StimulusPackage |
| HomeAgain | Undercover |
| HomeCooking | VirusIris |
| JudgesChoice | |
| LovesickBlues | |
| NewOrder | |
| NoPlaceLikeHome | |



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April 11, 2020 Iris Show



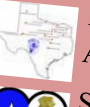
CANCELLED

May 16, 2020 *End of Club Year Luncheon*
Ocean Buffet



CANCELLED

May 18-23, 2020
AIS National Convention, Newark, NJ



CANCELLED

August 1-2, 2020
AIS Region 17 Annual Meeting, Dallas, TX



CANCELLED

September 26, 2020
Iris Rhizome Sale, GreenLife Nursery, Waco, TX

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Editor's note: WIS is not making light of the current situation our country is going through. The above puzzle is for fun and to make your "Shelter in Place" a little easier. Now is the time to really enjoy our irises and get some needed sunshine and fresh air at the same time.