



Waco Iris Society News

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It's Iris Giveaway & Auction Time!

The Waco Iris Society will kick off the 2021-2022 club year on Sept. 18th. Unfortunately, there is a conflict with church activities, so for this meeting only, we will meet at the LaQuinta Inn & Suites Woodway-Waco South, 6003 Woodway Dr. This is where we host our Annual Iris Show. The meeting will begin at 10 a.m. Club dues are due at this time—\$10 per member.



Our September meeting is one we all look forward to each year—our Iris Giveaway and Auction. Per our By-Laws, members who attended a minimum of three (3) meetings during the past club year and worked either the club sale or iris show are eligible to receive a gift iris, provided club dues have been paid. Mid-America Iris Gardens has sent us 47 new 2021 introduction irises for this Event. (see pages 4-5 for photos of irises we received. Once all eligible members have chosen their gift iris, all remaining irises will be auctioned. Members and guests are welcome and encouraged to bid and



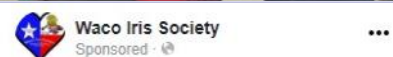
bid often. The auction helps to pay for the irises received.

We will also be discussing plans for this year's Annual Iris Rhizome Sale, which will take place on Sept. 25th at the GreenLife Nursery, 1312 N. New Road in Waco. The Sale will begin at 9 a.m. and end at NOON. Members are asked to arrive by 8 a.m. for set-up. We will need tables, so please bring them with you if you have some we can use. We will also need irises to sell, so check your garden now and send your list (one iris name per line, please) to Peggy by email:

wacoiriss@gmail.com

We are trying something new this year to increase awareness of our Sale. We have always created an "Event" on Facebook inviting people to come to the Sale, but we are *boosting* the Event with a paid Facebook Ad this year. The Ad will run for 15 days and will include a 50-mile radius of Waco. Last year our Event notice reached 285 people with 25 responses. This year, with the ad, in just 3 days we have reached 1,569 people with 90 responses from people interested in attending our Sale. We had a great sale last year, but this one could far exceed last year by getting the word out. We currently have 540 Facebook followers and nearly 200 who receive our newsletters. Please do your part by sharing the attached Sale flyer with all your gardening friends. The Sale helps to fund our Annual Iris Show as well as other club activities.

Congratulations to Mary and Jerry Keeth who was presented with a Special Award at the AIS Region 17 Meeting held in Dallas, August 6-7. The award was presented by Region 17 Historian, Jim Landers, for the most high awards won during the 2021 Show Season—2 Best of Shows and 3 Silver Medals.



100's irises will be available at our annual Iris Rhizome Sale, Saturday, September 25th at GreenLife Nursery, 1312 New Road in Waco. Hours from 9 a.m. until sold out or 12-noon. Be sure to come early for the best selection. The Sale helps fund our annual Iris Show, held the 2nd Saturday in April. Prices start at \$1 and go up, according to how new the variety is. Follow our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/WacoIrisSociety>, for daily photos of what will be offered at the Sale. Waco Iris Society is a 501c3 non-profit organization and an affiliate of the American Iris Society.



SAT, SEP 25 AT 9 AM CDT
Waco Iris Society Annual
Iris Sale

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May 15, 2021 Meeting Minutes by Ken Anderson

The Waco Iris Society held its final meeting of the 2020-21 year at the Crest View Church of Christ in Waco, Texas, on May 15, 2021. The meeting was called to order at 10:15 a.m. Members present were: Ken Anderson, Linda Barnard, Ken Fuchs, Glenn Huddleston, Joyce Jones, Jerry Keeth, Mary Keeth, Jim Landers, Michael Lowe, Linda Roper, and Mitchell Whitley.

Secretary's Report: It was noted that members had received a copy of the previous meeting minutes through the newsletter. No additions or corrections were made.

Treasurer's Report: President Mitch Whitley stated that he did not have a Treasurer's Report prepared.

Old Business: No items were discussed.

New Business:

President Mitchell Whitley announced that he would be willing to serve another year as president. Ken Anderson agreed to act as Show Chair with the help of Linda Roper and Mitchell Whitley. Other officer positions were not discussed.

The drawing for a one-year membership in AIS was not held. However, there will be two drawings conducted at the September meeting.

Mitchell Whitley said he would be willing to place an order for rhizomes for the September giveaway/auction with Superstition

and Mid-America Gardens, as done in previous years. He noted that both companies have always sent excellent rhizomes. Mary Keeth made the motion to order rhizomes from Superstition and Mid-America Gardens. Jim Landers seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion.

There was some discussion of the theme for the upcoming year. Mitchell Whitley suggested having a theme related to color since irises bloom in a greater variety of colors than any other flower. Linda Roper suggested having a theme related to the seasons since there are four seasons, and that would provide the four classes in the artistic design section of the show. Ken Anderson noted that a similar theme had been used a few years ago, but no one had any objection to the idea. Linda Roper proposed that our theme for the 2021-22 year be "Seasons of Color." Mary Keeth seconded the motion. All voted for the motion.

It was also noted that this would be a good time to make arrangements with the venue since the show is always held on the second Saturday of April. No vote was taken, but the consensus of members present was to use the La Quinta Inn again as it has worked out very well and is a convenient location. Ken Anderson agreed to contact the hotel and reserve the room for Saturday, April 9, 2022.

Finding judges for the show was

also discussed. It was suggested that Linda Roper begin contacting potential judges as soon as possible because judges make commitments to various clubs months before the show dates.

There was also some discussion of purchasing plastic table cloths that the club could use every year so the appearance of the tables would be uniform and pleasing in appearance. Linda Roper agreed to research availability and cost of products to be discussed at one of the club's meetings before next year's show.

Awards Presentation:

Ken Anderson presented the show awards. The awards for sections and colors are given in the chart (on the following page).

In addition to these awards, Linda Barnard was presented the *Waco Iris Society Best Horticultural Specimen Of Show*, also known as "Queen of the Show," with her entry of "Let's Play Dress Up." She was also presented the *Waco Iris Society Founder's Award for Best Horticulture Exhibit of Show*, a "traveling" award with each recipient's name engraved on the back of the plaque.

Mary Keeth received the Silver Medal and Certificate for having the most blue ribbons (23). Michael Lowe received the Bronze Medal and Certificate for having the second most blue ribbons (13). The Silver Medal and the Bronze Medal had not been

May 2021 Minutes by Ken Anderson (cont.)

received at the time of this meeting but will be given to these individuals at the September meeting.

In the Artistic Division of the

show, Linda Roper received the *Best Artistic Design Award* for her entry, "Tribute to the Horned Toad." She was also presented the *Waco Iris Society Hazel Haik*

Award for Best Artistic Design. This is a 'traveling' award with each recipient's name engraved on the back of the plaque.

The meeting adjourned at 11:17.

Best in Section Show Awards

SECTION	VARIETY	EXHIBITOR
Section A: Tall Bearded	Let's Play Dress Up	Linda Barnard
Section B: Median	Dividing Line	Dan and Peggy Cathey
Section C: Space Age	I'm So Vain	Don and Frances Peterson
Section K: Historic	Cinnamon Girl	Mary Keeth
Texas Hybridizer	Boss of the House (Burseen)	Michael Lowe

Best in Color Class Show Awards

COLOR CLASS	VARIETY	EXHIBITOR
Amoena	Muleshoe Money	Mary Keeth
Banded	Cinnamon Girl	Mary Keeth
Bicolor	Thirst Quencher	Michael Lowe
Bi-Tone	Music of the Surf	Glenn Huddleston
Blend	Raspberry Lemonade	Mitchell Whitley
Brown	Game Plan	Mary Keeth
Gold	Glitter Gulch	Mary Keeth
Gray	Spring Jade	Glenn Huddleston
Neglecta	Music of the Surf	Glenn Huddleston
Orange	Rusty Taylor	Mitchell Whitley
Pink	Dancing in Pink	Michael Lowe
Plicata	Pshaw	Don and Frances Peterson
Purple	Sheila Van Hook	Mary Keeth
Red	Next to Me	Linda Roper
Variegata	Boss of the House	Michael Lowe
Violet	Not Broke This Time	Dan and Peggy Cathey
Yellow	I'm So Vain	Don and Frances Peterson



2021 Iris Giveaway & Auction Irises



All About Fashion
Blyth, 2021



All Grown Up
Black, 2021



All In Vein
Johnson, 2021



All Rise
Miller, 2021



Attitude Adjustment
Johnson, 2021



Beachy Queen
Johnson, 2021



Bespoke
Black, 2021



Bombshell
Johnson, 2021



Break My Heart
Johnson, 2021



Cross Your Heart
Black, 2021



Diamond Heart
Johnson, 2021



Dot Dash Dot
Black, 2021



Greetings My Lady
Johnson, 2021



Gussied Up
Johnson, 2021



Happy Daydream
Black, 2021



Heart Racer
Blyth, 2021



Hobnobbing
Miller, 2021



Inked In
Blyth, 2021



Loving Embrace
Johnson, 2021



Magical Night
Miller, 2021



Moonlit Rendezvous
Johnson, 2021



Mystery Lady
Johnson, 2021



Noble Class
Blyth, 2021



Piece by Piece
Johnson, 2021



Plc Symphony
Black, 2021



2021 Iris Giveaway & Auction Irises



Poetic Dream
Blyth, 2021



Puerto Vallarta
Johnson, 2021



Reach For The Stars
Johnson, 2021



Read My Mind
Johnson, 2021



Reticulated Ruby
Black, 2021



Rule the World
Johnson, 2021



Say the Word
Johnson, 2021



Scattergram
Miller, 2021



Shout It Out Loud
Johnson, 2021



Smashing Sensation
Johnson, 2021



Smoldering Passion
Johnson, 2021



So Happy
Johnson, 2021



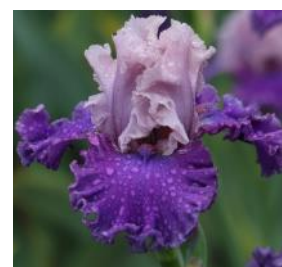
Splash Out
Black, 2021



Strawberry Bliss
Johnson, 2021



Strike a Chord
Johnson, 2021



Stuck On You
Johnson, 2021



Taboo
Johnson, 2021



Think Diamonds
Blyth, 2021



Tracks Of My Tears
Black, 2021



Untamed Glory
Johnson, 2021



Wrap Her Up
Johnson, 2021



Zip the Moon
Blyth, 2021



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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**

**Mitchell Whitley, President
Peggy Cathey, Newsletter Editor
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Join WIS today!

Only \$10 per year. You may join at a meeting, download membership form from our website, or send a check with your name, address, phone number and e-mail address to:

Mitchell Whitley, Treasurer
812 Dayton, Waco, TX 76706



September 18, 2021, 10 a.m.
LaQuinta Woodway-Waco South, 6003 Woodway
Iris Giveaway and Auction



September 25, 2021, 9 a.m. to 12 Noon
GreenLife Nursery, 1312 N. New Road
Annual Iris Sale



November 20, 2021, 10 a.m.
Crestview Church of Christ, 7129 Delhi
TBD

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<https://www.facebook.com/search/wacoirissociety>

Word Search—Iris Names That Begin With September

Words may be across, backwards or diagonal.

Iris names that have either *back* or *forward* in their names.

BOUQUET	MOON
BUTTERCUP	MORN
BUTTERFLY	PASTEL
CHARM	REPLAY
CHEREAU	SAILOR
CONTRAST	SEAS
CREAM	SERENADE
DAWN	SKIES
FROST	SONG
GLEAM	SPARKLER
GOLD	SUNSHINE



PRESBY HONORS SEPTEMBER
Roberts, 2004

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N	K	R	Y	W	K	P	D	O	I	J	E	E	M	R
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W	C	Z	V	Y	Y	F	E	U	X	F	V	W	I	C
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