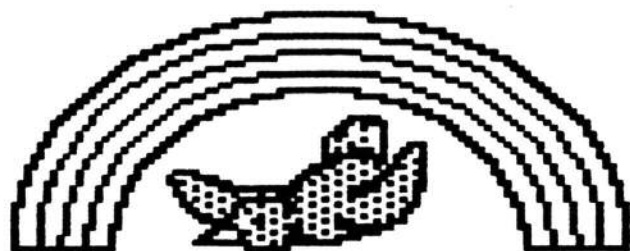


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IRIS SOCIETY of AUSTIN OFFICERS:

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Isn't it great to be alive....
to see the wonders of
naturea rainbow after
a Spring shower..... hear
the song of a bird calling to its mate
or see an Iris bud unfurling into
bloom as you marvel over its beauty .
Yes life Is great !

This has been a busy month for
me . As I am sure that it has been a
busy one for most of you. I do like to
get the newsflyer out no later than
the beginning of 3rd week of month
so that you will receive it during
the beginning of month but time
was a big factor for me . I have
several ideas for articles rolling
around in my head , but have not
had time to work them up ... so they
will keep for later . Keep smiling !

NEW BRAUNFELS IRIS SOCIETY OFFICERS :

President	Rose Marie Dean
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WORD TO THE WISE...

OUR
WISE
OLD
OWL
SAYS:

When cleaning up your Iris beds :
spent blooms and stalks should be
cut off close to the rhizome . Cut at
an angle to avoid water soaking into
the stub. This will help prevent rot-
ting of the stub . Also use Dusting
Sulfur as an aid in drying the cut
stub .



Big Winner plus..

The results are in the card please the big winner is

Yes another IRIS SHOW has come , (Oh how beautiful ; what are they called ? I never knew there were so many different colors ! OH , HOW BEAUTIFUL !) and G O N E (Thank goodness ! It was work but certainly well worth it) We will all do it again next year.

The New Braunfels Iris Society held their 23rd IRIS SHOW April 25th at St. John's Episcopal Parish Hall in New Braunfels , Texas .

There were 144 Horticultural entries and 10 Artistic Design entries .

The A I S SILVER MEDAL was awarded to DR. W. CLYDE IKINS for winning the most BLUE RIBBONS .

The A I S BRONZE MEDAL was awarded to MR. KENNETH TRISCH for winning the second greatest number of BLUE RIBBONS .

The BEST SPECIMEN IN SHOW was awarded to SKATING PARTY , a large WHITE ruffled T. B. hybridized and introduced in 1983 by LARRY GAULTER This beauty was grown and exhibited

by DR. W. CLYDE IKINS . DR. IKINS received the A I S PURPLE ROSETTE RIBBON .

RUNNER-UP was awarded to LACED JABOT , a lovely , lacy LAVENDER T.B. Also hybridized and introduced by LARRY GAULTER in 1983 . This lovely was grown and exhibited by MRS. MARY SMITH . MRS. SMITH received the SPECIAL AWARD ROSETTE RIBBON .

The AGNES ALTGELT AWARD , which is given to the BEST SPECIMEN as exhibited by a member of N B I S was awarded to DR. IKINS for his specimen of SKATING PARTY .

The ISABEL DAY AWARD , given for the BEST WHITE specimen , also went to DR. IKINS specimen of SKATING PARTY .

The SPECIAL AWARD ROSETTE for BEST BLUE was given to AFTER HOURS a ruffled , deep rich blue self with blue beards . This lovely T. B. was hybridized by DUANE MEEKS and introduced in 1981 . It was grown and exhibited by MR. and MRS. RAYMOND DRAGON .

The SPECIAL AWARD ROSETTE for BEST YELLOW was given to TRAVEL ON a heavily laced golden yellow T. B. An oldie but goodie hybridized and introduced by NEVA SEXTON in 1969 It was grown and exhibited by MR. and MRS. RAYMOND DRAGON .

The SPECIAL AWARD ROSETTE for BEST PLICATA went to JESSE ' S SONG a fantastic blue and violet T. B. with blue/white tipped lemon beards . It was hybridized and introduced by BRYCE WILLIAMSON in 1979 . It was grown and exhibited by DR. W . CLYDE IKINS .

The SPECIAL AWARD ROSETTE for the BEST BI - COLOR was given to MICHIGAN PRIDE , a brassy gold and maroon T. B. It was hybridized and introduced by TENA BERNDT in 1976. It was grown and exhibited by DR. IKINS .

The SPECIAL AWARD ROSETTE for the BEST RED(pale, light or full) was given to VANITY, a lovely soft pink T. B. It was hybridized and introduced by BEN HAGER in 1974 . It was grown and exhibited by JOANNE DOWNING .

The SPECIAL AWARD ROSETTE for the BEST SPURIA was given to MEGATREND . A stately Spuria with Violet/white (S) and yellow/white (F). Hybridized and introduced by BEN HAGER in 1987 . It was grown and exhibited by MRS . CECIL (ELLENE) ROCKWELL .

The SPECIAL AWARD ROSETTE for the BEST LOUISIANA was given to MARY'S CHOICE . Plum-red with yellow signal and slightly ruffled falls . It was hybridized and introduced by MARY DUNN IN 1981 . It was grown and exhibited by DR . W . CLYDE IKINS .

The SPECIAL AWARD ROSETTE for the BEST COLLECTION was given to IMPERIAL BRONZE . A vivid yellow Spuria with deep bronze overlay . It was hybridized and introduced by ELEANOR McCOWN in 1970 . The Collection was grown and exhibited by THE SCHAEFERS .

The SPECIAL AWARD ROSETTE for the BEST SEEDLING was given to JAMES ALLEN for HIS lovely ruffled blue T.B. hybrid , (S 1 1 K) .

THE ARTISTIC DESIGN section had 10 arrangements . Three of these were in the MEN' S section and seven were in the LADIES ' section .

JAMES ALLEN won the BLUE RIBBON in the MEN ' S section for his arrangement entitled " THE SNOWS OF MT. FUJI " .

MRS . MARTIN (ROSE MARIE) DEAN was awarded the BLUE RIBBON in the LADIES ' section for her lovely arrangement of Iris .

Well this is (sort of) the GRAND FINALE for most IRIS lovers and growers . I say sort of , because most of my IRIS are just coming into (good) bloom and I am sure that others are still enjoying some bloom as well .

We had a good show despite the late date and bad weather . Ray & I had heavy rain and hail early in the beginning (bloom season) . And it wrecked havoc with the buds and leaves . Also some of our San Antonio growers got the same (dose of bad weather) the evening before the show .

I know that we are all looking forward to OUR NEXT SHOW . But in the meantime " TAKE A DEEP BREATH " reach your right arm over your shoulder and PAT yourself on your back for a job well done .

NOTE: If you find any mistakes in the Newsflyer , please just blame it on my COMPUTER , sometimes IT seems to have a mind of its own . HA !



Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to you!

Lorraine Dragon

May 9

Kathy Noble

May 26

Happy Birthday to you!



IRIS

FLEUR DE LUCE

Flower of light ! Who gave thee first
that name ,
Saw thy flower soul through purple
prism bars .
Lifting thy threefold standard to
the stars ,
Poised , perfect , still , - like an
arrested flame ,
A carven prayer all luminous , thou
art
Part human flower and winged Arch-
angel part .

Taken from a past A I S bulletin
Written by : W. H. W. Bliss and
A. J. Bliss in 1922

MAY IRIS MEETINGS

IRIS SOCIETY OF AUSTIN WILL MEET
7:30pm at ZILKER GARDEN CENTER ON
MAY 12 , 1987.

WE WILL HAVE INSTALLATION OF NEW
OFFICERS AT THIS MEETING. ALSO WE
WILL MAKE A LIST , OF MEMBER SELEC-
TION OF IRIS THEY WOULD LIKE TO HAVE
, AS AN AID IN COMPLETING CLUB ORDER
FOR OUR SEPTMBER IRIS SALE .

MAY 1987

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		19				



THE NEW BRAUNFELS IRIS SOCIETY
WILL MEET MAY 19 , 1987 AT 7:00 pm
IN THE HOME OF MARY SMITH IN
SAN ANTONIO . MARY WILL GIVE A
PROGRAM ON DAY LILIES . A BUFFET
WILL BE SERVED .