



BAY NEWS

Newsletter of the Monterey Bay Iris Society

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November–December, 2011

Next meeting Friday, 18, 2011
Doors open 7:00 P.M.
Meeting 7:30 P.M.
Place Native Sons Hall
 239 High Street, Santa Cruz



Illusionist, Ghio, 2011. One of this month's door prize iris

From The Prez

PLEASE DOWNLOAD THE FALL 2011 ISSUE of AIS Region 14's quarterly Bulletin. It has lots of interesting content about the fall meeting of the Executive Committee, and a financial update for 2011, the approved budget for 2012, reports from regional committee and several of the Region's societies, and comments and photos from the Fall Regional. The MBIS was well represented at the event.

Our November meeting will include an interesting and informative talk and slide show by Riley Probst, who is an accomplished grower and photographer of irises.

The meeting also will include the election of officers and directors for 2012. The report of the Nominating Committee (hopefully) is in this issue of Bay News.

We will also have other topics to discuss, as well as another opportunity to socialize with our gardening friends.

I'll see you at the meeting! 🌸 Tom

2011 Calendar

Monthly meetings are held in Native Sons Hall unless otherwise stated.

Regular Meeting

Friday, November 18 7:30 P.M.

Program..... Iris Primer

Riley Probst

Refreshments

Valentines

Annual Holiday Dinner

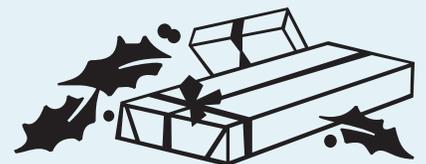
Bruno's BBQ

230 Mt Hermon Rd, Scotts Valley

Friday, December 16 6:00 p.m



The location of the Christmas Dinner has been moved to Bruno's BBQ in Scotts Valley. More information on page 2. Gather for cocktails at 6, dinner will start at 7! Hope to see you there! New this year—a gift exchange.



CULTURE TIPS

FOR THE THIRD YEAR IN A ROW, we've had significant early rains. This is not a bad thing but it does give the early weeds and head start. If you had applied pre-emergent before these rains, the weeds are not a problem or at the least gave you an opportunity to test the effectiveness of the brand you selected to use. If you didn't use any, you probably have quite a green covering now. They will be competing with your irises for nutrients. The weeds should be pulled out.

Also these rains stimulated root development on the Pacificas which is the perfect time to dig, divide and replant them. Remember it is necessary that the new roots don't dry out. If you don't replant them immediately, put them in a bucket of water until you're ready to plant them. Even if the soil is wet, water them in after replanting. This helps settle the soil around the roots and better assures survival.

Also if you have made some crosses or collected seed, make sure the seed is planted NOW. They need the winter cold to stimulate germination which will begin in about 6-10 weeks after you get the seed in. If you plant the seed in a pot (1 cross per pot), they do have to be kept wet. If planted directly into the soil, let nature take its course. 🌱 Joe

REBLOOMERS

Bring your reblooming irises now through March for show and tell and to drawing for first choice of door prizes.

White Elephant Gift Exchange

For the first time ever, MBIS members will be having a White Elephant Gift Exchange at our Christmas party this year. If you want to participate, bring to the party either a gift with a value of no more than \$15 OR a White Elephant Gift (in good condition). Either gift should be wrapped amazingly and without anyone's name on it.

Place your anonymous gift in the designated area and then draw a door prize number (the same way we do at the meetings). When your number is called, you may either go pick and unwrap a gift, OR if someone ahead of you has already picked and opened a gift, you may steal that person's gift. The person whose gift you stole will then either go pick a wrapped gift or else steal someone else's gift and so on. A gift may be **STOLEN TWICE** before it becomes "frozen" and cannot be stolen again.

The person whose number was chosen first will have the last opportunity to either steal from the open gifts or be satisfied with what they have chosen. That is how the game ends. If you bring a guest and the guest wants to participate, you will need to have another gift to put into the mix.

Gifts are typically geared towards Irises or gardening, but feel free to use your imagination. Creative and funny gifts could provide a delightful and memorable gift exchange.

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CHRISTMAS PARTY

Yes! It is that time again!

Our annual holiday party will be held at a new location, at Bruno's BBQ in Scotts Valley on Friday, December 16.

Bruno's is located at 230G Mount Herman Road, Scotts Valley (in the Kings Village Shopping Center). Tele 831-438-2227

Take the Mt. Hermon Road exit from Hwy 17. Proceed in the direction of Felton. At the 3rd traffic light, turn right into the Kings Village Shopping Center. Continue to Nob Hill Market. Look for Bruno's behind Nob Hill, on the right.

No host cocktails at 6:00pm. Dinner at 7:00pm. Reservations are a must and need to be in by Monday, December 12. Payment must be made in advance, either at the November meeting or mailed to Charley Kearns, P. O. Box 2361, Los Gatos, CA 95031. Charley can also be reached at 408-315-1520 kcf@verizon.net. Price of the dinner is \$15 for members (club picks up the balance) Non members pay \$30.



2011 Officers Board Slate

The President shall preside at all meetings of this society, and shall have general superintendence of the affairs of the society. Writes letter in newsletter, coordinates affiliation, and chairs meetings.

President Tom Karwin

The Vice President shall perform the duties of the President in his absence. Finds speakers for meetings.

Vice President Sheryl McEwan

The Treasurer shall collect the dues, maintain a current membership roster, keep the financial records of the society, pay the bills and keep proper records of all receipts and expenditures.

Coordinates show committee

Treasurer/Show Chair Charley Kearns

The Secretary shall keep the record of the proceedings of this society and shall conduct its correspondence. The Secretary shall have charge and custody of society books and papers pertaining to his office.

Secretary Brenda Wood

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Newsletter and Advisor Joe Ghio

Webmaster Ann Pike

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Wayne Crabbs

Jim Cummins

Riley Probst

2 Year Board



DOOR PRIZES

The Door Prize Irises for this meeting and the next year are published as an insert in the mailed paper. If you get you newsletter on line, it is a PDF file named 2011-2012 iris list. Keep a print out for reference and for keeping track of your winnings. Please note the vvery large amount of wonderful iris. Thanks Joe for getting these iris!!



DUES ARE DUE

MBIS Dues for 2012 are due now and must be paid before December 31. Pay at the November meeting or mail to Charley Kearns, P. O. Box 2361, Los Gatos, CA 95031.

Dues for a single membership are \$10; two or more at the same address \$15. Add \$5 if you want the newsletter mailed to you, otherwise you can download it from the MBIS website.



Superhero, Ghio, 2012



Polite Applause, Ghio, 2011



DOOR PRIZES IRISES

The list of the Club door prizes is included with this Newsletter. Keep it for reference and to record you're winnings. Winnings are distributed at the July Club Picnic.



1. **COLD CREEK**, M. Sutton, S white; F white over-veined w/blue, RE
2. **DEFINITION**, M. Sutton, S. chartreuse; F white violet-blue, RE
3. **QUEEN OF THE MIST**, Schreiners, Pastel lilac; super form
4. **SUBTLE BEAUTY**, Tasco, S greenish yellow; F violet
5. **FOOLISH DREAMER**, Keppel, Yellow ground; lavender blue plicating
6. **PINK FIRE**, Filardi, Pinkish mango
7. **CANDY STORE**, P. Black, Deep shrimp pink
8. **DOG DAYS**, P. Black, Yellow plicata; brown markings
9. **TANGO TO THE MOONLIGHT**, B. Johnson, S warm white; F lavender, plum rim
10. **ANGEL WITHIN**, Kerr, Pink with hint of lavender
11. **CAUSE FOR CELEBRATION**, Kerr, White; blend blue band on F
12. **EXOTIC NOTIONS**, Burseen, Peach, streaked violet on F
13. **GLIMMER**, Burseen, White ground plicata; violet edges; blue horns
14. **BANDED ROSE**, Banded Rose, Aiken, Copper-rose, deeper band of F, BB
15. **FRENCH LAVENDER**, J. Painter, Antique lavender purple
16. **CHENILLE**, Keppel, Grey pink; long red orange beards
17. **SPECTATOR**, Keppel, S prune; F Cream; plum band, IB
18. **CARDINAL RULE**, Ghio, Claret rosy red
19. **FAMOUS LAST WORDS**, Ghio, S pink; F white; pink band
20. **ILLUSIONIST**, Ghio, Peach pink; mauve band on F



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