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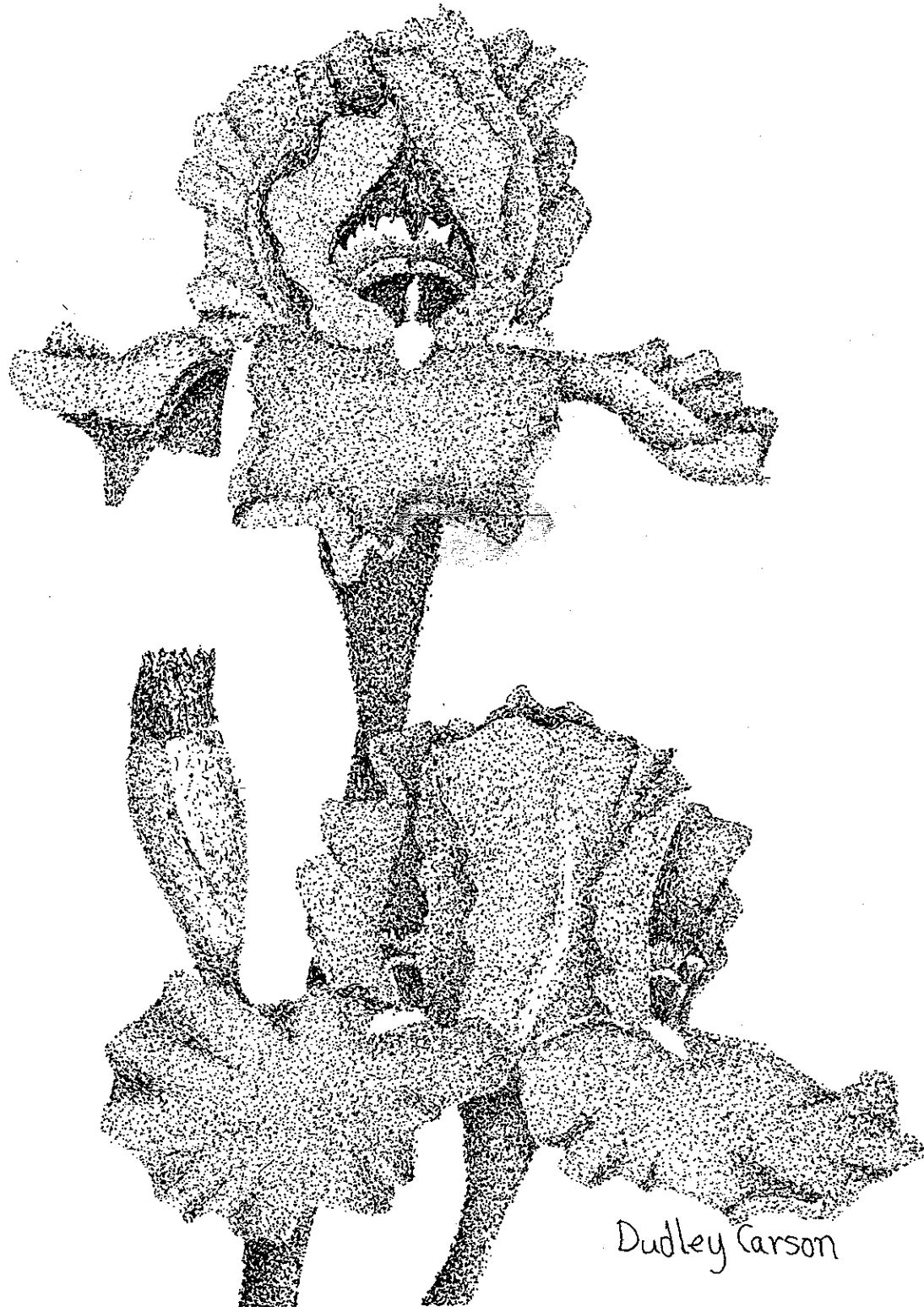
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Producing a publication on time is the goal of any responsible editor. That is the focus of our current editor, Mike Moller. During the past few months he has called, cajoled and complained about not receiving necessary data and articles to complete the fall issue of the Recorder. Try as he would, much of the information and articles were either very late or have not materialized. The nominating committee did not function until the past week, late January, and he proceeded without one member who could not be reached by phone. The symposium ballot for favorite irises of the membership normally is issued in the autumn edition but is still buried in a data base on a computer with no response. We have decided to publish this issue without the symposium ballot to avoid further delay.

Since a full range of articles needed to fill issues has not come from our members, nor have reports from regional directors, we will be trying a little different format and fewer pages per issue, perhaps three times per year hoping to get a more timely publication into the member's hands. In the meantime, each of you can help by contributing articles for the Recorder. Information on remount iris shows in your area, reports of rebloom in your local area, data on reblooming iris rhizomes sales to the public, varietal comments, local publicity and any other information are needed to produce a timely bulletin of quality and interest to the membership. We cannot expect our editor to function unless he receives material to edit and that material must arrive on time. Please check this issue for deadlines on sending material for publication.

John Weiler

EDITOR'S NOTES



We are very embarrassed to have to put out this issue of the Recorder at such a late date. The information in this publication is only interesting to the membership if it is timely. A publication can only be timely if the articles are submitted before the required deadlines.

Any member of the Reblooming Iris Society can submit articles for publication. This newsletter should reflect the ideals and thoughts of the members of the society. These thoughts can not be expressed without your help. Please take the time to write an article, big or small, it will be appreciated by the membership. We would like to encourage the directors of the Reblooming Iris Society to submit articles in every publication, to inform everyone of regional rebloom reports, along with past and future events.

We will change the format of this publication to less pages, but will have three publications instead of two. These publications will consist of fall, winter, and spring issues. Dates for articles in these issues will be:

- **Winter - December 15**
- **Spring - March 15**
- **Fall - September 15**

Please take note of these dates and help us to produce a timely, quality newsletter that everyone can enjoy.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at this year's National Convention at York.

Mike & Nina Moller

Minutes of Reblooming Iris Society Board Meeting

Saturday May 21, 1994
7-8 PM Portland, Oregon

Call To Order by President John Weiler, California at 7:10 PM.

Sara Marley, Recording/Corresponding Secretary stated that the minutes of the previous meeting had been printed in the Fall 1993 issue of the Recorder. No additions or corrections. Approved as printed.

Treasurer's Report - Evelyn Hayes, CA., sent an incomplete report. It was given by Pres. Weiler in her absence. Circumstances are that complete reports were not given to her by the Membership Secretary or the Publications Chairman.

There is a CD that matures in July of 1994, amounting to \$3753.12 carrying an interest rate of 4.65%. It is recommended by the Board that it be rolled over as the Money Market and other investment avenues are not generating any higher rates at this time.

Checking Balance 5/15/94	\$2904.59
Membership Acct. 4/11/94	1502.99
CD - Matures 7/05/94	2753.19
Savings Acct. 3/31/94	3316.89
TOTAL ASSETS	\$11477.59

Evelyn would appreciate a spread sheet by category on income and disbursements from the above chairpersons.

AREA DIRECTORS:

South - Judith Earp, Texas - No Report

East - Clarence Mahan, Virginia - Verbal report given by Sara Marley, VA in his absence - A reblooming show was held in Williamsburg, VA during the Region \$ Fall Meeting. C & P had scheduled a Fall Show but didn't have enough stalks, so it was downgraded to an exhibition. A Fall Show is scheduled for both Region 4 and C & P. Region \$ is also scheduling a Fall garden tour during their fall meeting.

Midwest - Garland Bare, Nebraska - reported in the absence of Opal Wulf, Nebraska. Their club had a show last fall and one is scheduled for this fall. Garland read off a list of those irises that

rebloomed in his area that have not been known to before. NEBRASKA - TB's: Matrix (E. Hall), Second Act (Byers), Rotunda (Byers), Colorwatch (Innerst), Dazzling Gold (not suppose to be a rebloomer), SDB's: Twice Blessed (Dennis), Autumn Maple (Weiler), Little Show-off (E. Hall). SOUTH DAKOTA - TB: Pink Attraction.

West - Bill Maryott, California: John Weiler gave a verbal report in his absence. FOEIM Iris Society will hold it's first autumn show this fall; Sequoia Chapter will be holding their show. They have enrolled 30 new members for RIS and had a successful sale last year.

Committees:

Membership - Charlie Brown, Texas; there are almost 1000 on the mailing list with about 200 more inclusive as dual membership. Total about 1200 active members. There are 44 Life Memberships, 43 Honorary's (Universities, Japanese Horticultural Society, and RVP's)

Publications - Charlie has been gathering all the available sale items at his location and collating the material. A list will be forthcoming as soon as the last boxes have been cataloged. Charlie suggested that a 4 drawer file cabinet be secured for his use. Garland Bare M/M, Mike Moller sec., that the society purchase one. Carried.

Editors - Mike/Nina Moller. The last issue (Spring 94), was in the mail by the last week of April. Some members just received theirs this past week. Mike would hope that more persons would send articles for inclusion in future issues, especially the AREA Directors.

Mike is the Curator of the Dr. Loomis Test Gardens in Colorado Springs, Colorado and several rebloomers have performed well.

Slide Chr. - Diana Nicholls, Virginia; reported that there are 2 complete slide sets available for rental.

Historian - Larry Harder, Nebraska; No Report

Robins - Howard Brookins, Wisconsin; they are not flying at this time.

Symposium - Earl Hall, Ohio; a VERY poor response, only 32 returns out of 1000 sent out.

Publicity - Howard Brookins; he stated that he's still getting inquires from an article that

appeared almost 5 years ago. There have been quite a few articles in magazines this past year.

Nominations - A committee of three had been appointed in February but was not active. There is no slate forthcoming. The by-laws had been researched for procedures and are in effect. Clarence Mahan - Eastern Director has served the maximum term of 2 consecutive 4 year terms and Evelyn Hayes, Treasurer has also. John Weiler, cannot complete his 3 year term which expires in Spring 96. In that regard, Pres. Weiler suggested that a new President be elected in 1995.

Old Business:

A committee is still to be appointed for the stating of job descriptions to be given to potential officers and committee chairmen.

An awards committee has not been selected to study the issuance of awards and recognition to those persons who have been the mainstay of RIS since it's inception.

A memorial of \$25.00 was sent to AIS for Sue Keefe.

Respectfully given,

Sara Marley

**REBLOOMING IRIS SOCIETY
ANNUAL MEETING**

**Sunday, May 23, 1994 1 PM
Portland, Oregon**

Call to Order by President John Weiler, California.

Secretary read the Minutes of the Board Meeting and they were approved as read.

New Business:

Howard Brookins reported that the Check Lists should be ready for publication soon.

A discussion was generated about the Invitational Brochure. Garland Bare m/m, sec. by Vi Keyser to produce one. Carried.

Call For Announcements:

Bernice Miller thanked everyone for her flowers.

Jack Durrance stated that, "Everyone should be aware of commercial growers. We interfere

with their vacations. They say that they are pushing rebloomers but they don't mean it."

Ben Hager announced that both Schreiner's and Cooley's are purchasing reblooming cultivars for future sale.

Meeting Adjourned at 1:20 PM

A slide program was presented by John Weiler of recent introductions with slide comments.

There were 138 in attendance.

Sara Marley

Report of the Nominating Committee

The nominating committee consisting of Howard Brookins, Clarence Mahan, and John Weiler has had difficulty in making contact so that deliberations could be completed earlier. Since nominations to replace officers have not been made regularly, several people have longer than usual terms and dates listed for replacement mean very little. To get back on a more usual course, we propose to ask some to continue in office so that we may replace those serving longest, first. We hope, then, that nominations will be made regularly in an orderly manner so that changes in officers will be as specified in by-laws.

This year we recommend that nominees be made to replace the treasurer, Evelyn Hayes, and the eastern director, Clarence Mahan, both of whom have served more than two successive terms. The following year, 1996, the president and secretary terms will expire and should be replaced along with the midwestern regional director. Then, in 1997, the vice president and western regional director should be replaced. Since officers terms are three years and regional directors terms are four years, the treasurer and southern director would be due for reelection or replacement in 1998.

Our nominations for this year's slate follow. They have been contacted and have agreed to serve if elected.

Treasurer - Florence G. Wheat

Salt Lake City, UT

Eastern Director - Mike Lowe

Blackstone, VA

Patience With Reblooming Iris, A Virtue

By John Weiler

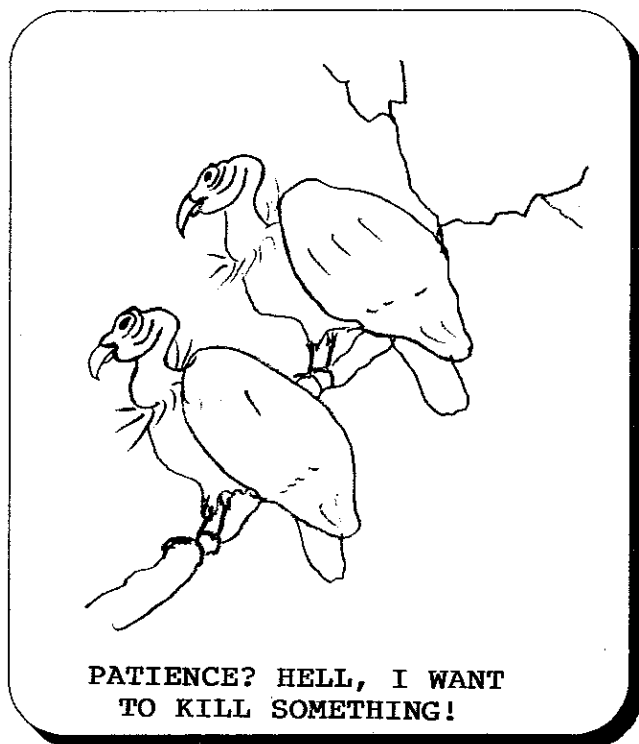
How long do you grow an iris before deciding it will not rebloom in your garden and should be composted? One year? Two? More? The answer varies widely with gardeners. Many, if not most, would say the iris should bloom the first spring after planting and then rebloom the same year. While this ideal holds true for many new irises obtained for the garden, most of us will tolerate both the lack of first year bloom and rebloom, waiting patiently until the second year, especially when the iris offers better quality in color, flower form, or stalk and plant than we currently have. Some few will wait even longer to have a plant begin its flowering. A good many are quick to condemn the plant arguing there enough varieties that establish rapidly and give good flowering to bother with the slower ones.

While these are valid reactions to new garden plants, some gardeners have more persistence and look for answers to why a plant has failed to perform. I have been building a collection of remon-tants for many years, often frustrated by inability to find a commercial listing for a given cultivar. When the plant is finally located, it often is one of those that fail to bloom the first year. It is kept and kept and kept some more since it was difficult to find. Some of these irises eventually do begin to rebloom and then may do so regularly. Corresponding with gardeners across the country and in foreign lands, there are numerous instances where my personal experience with a given iris does not match the praise or condemnation heaped upon it by others. Why should one person report immediate success with a reblooming cultivar when another in his same town, perhaps even a next door neighbor, reports the same cultivar to be a poor performer? Cultural practices? Soil differences? Diseases? These and a host of other reasons are possible.

One of the first clues to the problem came when irises were ordered from Australia where seasons are reversed. Our summer is wintertime down under. Beautiful rhizomes came by air parcel and were immediately planted in what was late

summer in Australia, late winter in California. The plants, which normally would go into dormancy for winter in Australia were immediately exposed to gradually warming temperatures and longer days of spring. Some tried to go dormant. Others began blooming and continued to bloom until there was no plant remaining. Still others began to grow slowly but did not bloom. Those blooming out did not recover. Those going partially dormant eventually showed signs of growth in mid summer. Those growing slowly at first gradually improved. The second spring brought bloom on some plants but most continued to sulk. In the third year, all plants still alive bloomed. One even rebloomed! It took three years for most plants to adjust to reversed seasons. The cultivar which rebloomed is **Cameo Wine** (Blyth 82).

If a reversed season can cause a three year lag in normal performance, how might other environmental factors affect rebloom and other plant functions? How does it affect a plant being moved from a climate that has about 150 days growing season bracketed by a hard frost to one of 300 days growing season bracketed by mild frost or vice versa? How does it affect a plant to be moved from a alkaline or neutral soil to an acid one that will grow rhododendrons, camellias, and azaleas? Do you remember the rhododendrons, "rhodies" in



Oregon or the azaleas in Washington, D.C. when national conventions were held there? Often irises were grown in nearby beds most likely with acid soil, places were a Californian like me certainly would not plant an iris unless diseases were expected.

A specific example or two may help understand these problems. The immortal **Immortality** was obtained from the east coast at a price of \$50 with the expectation of regular rebloom. Transplanting it to the west coast where growing season is longer, soils are neutral or alkaline instead of acid and where humidity in summer ranged from 10% -30% instead of 50% to 90%, the plant sulked and refused to flower the entire first year following planting. The second year the plant bloomed in spring with other tall bearded irises but still gave no rebloom. The third year the plant bloomed heavily in spring and then gave a couple stalks in fall. Transplanting it and lining out all divisions produced good spring bloom, a little summer bloom and an extended fall bloom lasting two months the fourth year. The fifth year bloom was heavy in April, rebloom began in June and lasted throughout summer and autumn until hard frost stopped all bloom on December 15. During that fifth year thirty plants produced over 400 flower stalks in a nine month growing season producing flowers all months except May from April through December and had two hundred increases remaining for the following spring. Since then, **Immortality** even when transplanted has continued to bloom and rebloom several months each year. It took five years to acclimatize and settle into a rebloom routine. Very similar results came from planting **Blazing Sunrise** but the acclimatization took only three years. Now adjusted, **Blazing Sunrise** never fails to rebloom, even in years following transplanting.

There have been several others like these, slow to acclimatize. In fact, nearly one in three new plants arriving from a different climate fail to bloom the first year---not much different than the first year performance of once bloomers as I recall. As a corollary to this, have you ever noticed how easy it is to establish and get flowers on a new plant hybridized or grown for several years in your immediate area? While some of you will be able to

cite numerous exceptions to these comments, the fact remains that plants may require a period of adjustment after being moved from one climate to another, from an alkaline to and acid soil, from an area of high humidity to low or from a long to a short growing season. Other environmental differences may also affect the new plants but irises, fortunately, tend to be very adaptable plants. For the patient gardener, many beautiful and dependable remontant irises may be had that others claim will not grow in the immediate area.

Those growing other special garden plants already recognize this problem for such things as daffodils where one prominent grower states in the catalog that performance and flower color may vary from what is stated until the plant has acclimatized. In Hemerocallis, the aim is to have a cultivar grow and flower well over the whole country. However, experts admit that most cultivars growing, flowering and reblooming well over most of the country give their top performance in a maximum of two of the several USDA hardiness zones. Could this also be true for irises? Is this why some of the top award winning irises fail to live up to expectations in this garden even after a long acclimatization period?

What can be done for the average gardener who may not want to wait for plants to adjust to local conditions? Those people can be reassured by remembering that most plants perform normally the first year after planting and will not require a waiting period. Since it is not possible to predict which ones are going to be difficult at first, the recommendation is to buy from a local grower where the irises have already acclimatized and "drop shipping" is not practiced, i.e. buying from a supplier elsewhere and then delivering the finished product without planting it in local conditions for a year or two before sale. This applies to plants already well established in commerce. If, however, you are one who must have the newest developments, particularly those from an environment different from yours, be prepared to wait for some of them to adjust.

Rebloom Seedlings

by Lloyd Zurbrigg

Several reports have come from gardeners praising the performance and the quality of bloom on **Northward Ho**. It appears that it is headed for great popularity.

Here I would like to put forth praise of this variety as a parent. Here in North Carolina I have had very little summer rebloom, possibly because of the heat. The first seedlings to give maiden bloom in September were from **Northward Ho**! Specifically it was a cross of (blue reblooming seedling x **Sunny Disposition**) X **Northward Ho**. Soon after came bloom on a similar cross, **00 54**. There were 10 seedlings in the cross. Only two have not rebloomed, and six are still in bloom on November 2. The quality of flower, stalk and plant is truly exceptional!

Just finishing a long season of bloom is **00 41-7-3**, from **MM 28-3-3** X **Mesmerizer**. **MM 28** is from a sib to **Renown** X **Northward Ho**. There are no appendages, but the flower is huge, on excellent stalk, and the color reminds one of **Edith Wolford**. There are two more stalks coming in this cross. The only other **Mesmerizer** cross giving any rebloom is from a Space-age seedling of mine out of **Pagan Pink**.

I had not expected any rebloom on the cross of **Northward Ho** X **Rock Star**, but there is one, and well along. I am not surprised that there is rebloom on the cross **00 28**, **Northward Ho** X **JJ 93-8-2**, the latter a plicata sibling to **Renown**. This plic is huge every way, and it won the Best Seedling Award at the Region 4 Fall Show in Baltimore, entered by Vic Layman. The older of the two stalks suggests that it will also be huge.

00 42 is a cross of **MM 28-3-3** X **Vanity**. (**MM28-3-3** was mentioned above). Out of the 24 seedlings, nine have produced stalks; this seems a very percentage for a **Vanity** cross. Oddly, a sib to **MM 28-3-3**, namely **MM 28-2-4**, crossed to **Vanity** has given no fall stalks on 10 seedlings. Quality is high in the **Vanity** seedlings, but stalks are rather too short.

The only fall stalk bearing appendages came on **00 37-5-3**, a violet on white plicata with flounces.

This derives from **Stanza** X Monty Byers **E91-100**, a violet on white with spoons. Byers **E91-100** is from **Earl Of Essex** X **Sky Hooks** derivative. Unfortunately, the new seedling bears some abnormal blooms.

To date none of the tall X pumila crosses have given fall bloom, but two from **00 10** are about to do so. Both bloomed in the spring, and one is a blue amoena without beards!! The cross is **Immortality** X **Bitsy Blue**. I am anxious to see if this fall bloom on the amoena is also "beardless"!

REGION 4 PULLS OFF SUPER FALL SHOW

By Ken Roberts, Show Chairman

Rumor has it that the 1994 Region Four Fall Show hosted by Maryland's FSK Iris Society set a fall record for exhibitors and entries. Some commented that it was better attended than some spring shows. Way to go Region Four! Let's see if we can do even more next year in West Virginia.

The exhibition was in plain view of people entering the Sheraton Towson Hotel on the ground level in front of a glass wall overlooking the entrance courtyard. We had 17 exhibitors who displayed 65 entries, a SUPERB showing for an east coast fall show.

We were fortunate to have two nationally known judges, Claire Barr and Sterling Innerest. Claire, who is now residing in San Diego, CA (Region 15), is a former RVP of Region 4 and is now AIS president. She was a longtime member of FSK and we enjoyed her homecoming. Sterling, from Dover, PA (Region 3), is a hybridizer of bearded (**Before The Storm**, 89' AM 93') and Japanese (**Ipsus**, 81', Payne Award 86') irises, and is one of the hosts of the 1995 AIS National Convention and 1995 SJI Convention. Thanks, judges, for joining us and helping make this a record fall show.

Blue ribbons were awarded to Sandra Byran with **Cayenne Capers**; Jerry Coates with **Violet Miracle**; Dick Huges & Bruce Hornstein with **Feedback**; Vic Layman with **Harvest of Memories** and **Matrix**; Rosalie Loving with **Perfume Counter** and **Summer Holidays**; Sara Marley

with **Gray Poupon**; Jane McNew with **Lichen**; Ken Roberts with **Frankenscense**, **Jewel Baby**, and **Winterland**; Dennis Stoneburner with **Queen Dorothy**; and Carol Warner with **Rosalie Figge** and **Sunny Disposition**. In addition to the 15 first place awards there were 11 second place, 11 third place and 6 honorable mention ribbons of the 56 named entries. An additional blue ribbon was given to Lloyd Zurbrigg in the seedling class. Good Showing Region Four!

Vic Layman took Best in Section (Tall Bearded) and Best in Show with **Harvest of Memories** and Ken Roberts received Best in Section (Other bearded irises) with **Frankenscense**. Lloyd Zurbrigg won Best Seedling with **JJ-93-8-2** grown by Vic Layman. The Silver Medal for most blue ribbons (3) was won by Ken Roberts and the Bronze Medal was awarded to Vic Layman who had 2 blues and 2 reds. Rosalie Loving and Carol Warner also had two blue ribbons, but no reds, so Vic's red count was the tiebreaker. Congratulations to Blue Ridge Iris Society for having such a great contribution to the show!

Thanks to Vicki Dorf, our registrar, for the following extra statistics:

- Number of chapters exhibiting, 6
- Number of exhibitors, 17 (8 from FSK)
- Number of named entries, 56
- Number of named varieties, 46
- Number of seedlings, 9

I would like to thank our show committee for the work they did on making it a success and express our gratitude to those from around the region who had the challenge of transporting stalks for hundreds of miles. It was truly a very rewarding show, thanks Region 4.

Reblooming Iris Symposium

Omaha NE, October 7-8, 1994
Hosted by Greater Omaha Iris Society
By Jan Fricke

The Symposium kicked off Friday evening, with a social hour held at the Sheraton Inn in Omaha. The folks of the Greater Omaha iris Society provided tables laden with food...no one went away hungry! Over 30 people enjoyed this

opportunity to meet, visit and discuss reblooming iris. The small meeting room was literally packed with enthusiastic iris growers.

The social hour was followed by Judges Training, conducted by Mike Moller. Mike provided training on Point Scoring in the Garden. Over 20 people attending Judges Training, and all reported it was an excellent session. Mike and his family drove all the way from Colorado Springs to Omaha for this weekend, and the people in GOIS appreciated their coming so far to help put on the Symposium.

An iris exhibit was held at the Oak View Mall in Omaha on Saturday morning. Although it was planned as an AIS-sanctioned show, it had to be downgraded to an Exhibit, as we were three stalks shy for a show. At October 8, our local rebloomers were just winding down from the September rebloom, and the October rebloom was just getting underway. (The best time for a reblooming show in eastern Nebraska is probably the last week in September, or the first week in October at the latest.) Unfortunately, those dates were not available at Oak View, at the time the plans were made last December.

Exhibit results: Jim Ennenga (Omaha) won with a wonderful stalk of **Belvi Cloud** and was awarded the new local trophy for the fall iris shows, "The Robert and Sylvia Tenopir Traveling Trophy." Larry Harder of Ponca won best design, with "Homecoming Queen", a lovely arrangement using a fine stalk of the big white iris **Polar King**, artfully arranged with the mustard-yellow colors of two varieties of the perennial "Patrinia."

Although there weren't abundant stalks on display, visitors to the mall were excited about iris that "Bloomed in the fall" and eagerly wrote down names of cultivars, and information about the Reblooming Iris society was given out.

After lunch at the Mall Saturday, a bus took us to the Lied Jungle at the Henry Doorly Zoo in Omaha. The Lied is the world's largest indoor rain forest, and it took about two hours to see it all--if indeed, you can see it all! Rare orchids, huge tropical trees, exotic birds and animals, and more! What a treat! Marilyn Harrington of the Greater Omaha Iris Society, acted as a personal guide for

those who wanted it. Marilyn has donated much time to the Lied, and knows it inside-out. The bus trip was fun, and offered more opportunity for attendees to get better acquainted, and to discuss reblooming iris cultivars. We were also treated to an impromptu serenade by Jerry Hadrava (of Blooming Hills Garden, Cedar Rapids, IA) as he sang songs to us in Czechoslovakian on our bus ride back to the mall.

A banquet was held at the Sheraton on Saturday night, followed by a fine program by Mike Moller. Mike started the meeting by playing an exciting game of "Iris Volleyball," then proceeded to show excellent quality slides of newer reblooming iris cultivars, accompanied by his comments. After many door prizes were given out, including reblooming iris rhizomes and potted trees, the Symposium guests departed; hopefully with a renewed interest and enthusiasm for growing reblooming iris!

Chesapeake & Potomac Iris Society Annual Reblooming Iris Show

By Sara Marley

The iris show was held on October 9, 1994 at Behnke's Nursery in Beltsville, Maryland. There were 22 entries exhibited by 7 exhibitors; of those 17 were TB's, and 5 were medians.

Queen of Show - **Earl of Essex**, exhibited by Ginny Waddell Spoon, of Cross Junction, VA.

Best of Section - **Baby Boom**, exhibited by Ginny Waddell Spoon

Silver Medal - Ginny Waddell Spoon

Bronze Medal - Joan Collins, Bluemont, VA

Show Chairman: Brian Lazarus

Rebloom Report - Region 4

by Joan Roberts

May 12, 1994

Spring is here at last! Most of us (and our irises) in Region 4 suffered through the worst winter on record. Looking back to those ice filled days most of us were very concerned that our irises would not survive. Some of us had our share

of losses but fortunately most are still with us ready to bloom again. In our garden in Maryland the irises are a week to ten days earlier this year. We now have SDB's, IB's, and several remontant TB's blooming! A side effect of the winter weather seems to be a lack of branching. It will be interesting to see whether the branching improves this fall.

October is a very exciting month for reblooming irises. Many of our favorite make their second (and sometimes third) appearance. At the Fall Regional, held in Williamsburg, Virginia, **Lady Emma** (Jones '86), a lovely yellow MTB was Queen of Show, with **Autumn Circus** (Hager '92) a pretty violet on white plicata coming in a very close second. We also started to receive reblooming reports from some of our members.

Roy Epperson (NC) reported that **Corn Harvest** (Wyatt '74) opened on October 21st and **Chatter** (Ghio '93) was showing color. **Pure As Gold** (Maryott '89) and **Rosalie Figge** (McKnew '93) bloomed in early December.

Kitty Ackerman (MD) has rebloom on **Perfume Counter** (Zurbrigg '72); **Harvest Of Memories** (Zurbrigg '85); **Earl Of Essex** (Zurbrigg '80); **Coral Charmer** (Wright '83) and **Buckwheat** (Byers '89).

Rosalie Figge (MD) had two more stalks on **Anxious** (Hager '92), and three more stalks on **Rosalie Figge** (McKnew '93). **Corn Harvest** (Wyatt '74), **Immortality** (Zurbrigg '82), **Recurring Dream** (Hager '93), **Harvest Of Memories** (Zurbrigg '85) **Plum Wine** (Weiler '86), **Lo Ho Silver** (Byers '89) also rebloomed.

Carolyn & Dan Schlanger (MD) had rebloom on **Grape Adventure** (Jones '86).

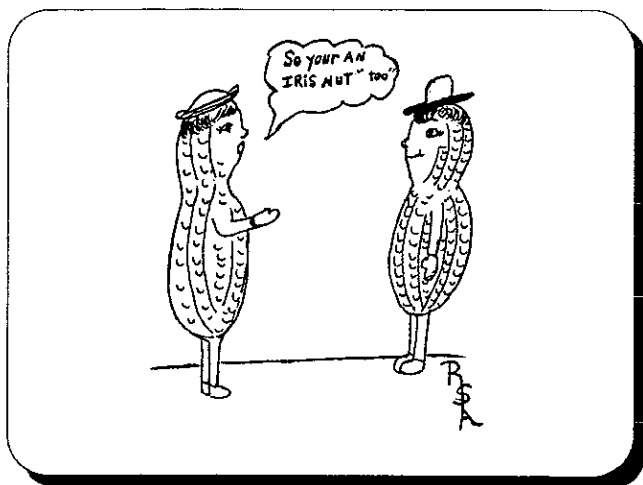
Lloyd Zurbrigg (NC) reports rebloom on **Mesmerizer** (Byers '91), **Zurich** (Byers '90), **Luminosity** (Byers '91), **Northward Ho** (Zurbrigg '91), **Genteel** (Byers '91), **Northern Flame** (Byers '90), **Sugar Blues** (Zurbrigg '85), **Pink Attraction** (Hall '88), **Jennifer Rebecca** (Zurbrigg '85), **Happy New Year** (Byers '90), **Sign Of Virgo** (Zurbrigg '91), **Light Rebuff** (Smith '92), **Summer Holidays** (Zurbrigg '79), **Bountiful Harvest** (Hager '91), **I Bless** (Zurbrigg '85), **Lady Emma** (Jones '88), **Rosalie Figge** (McKnew '93), **Puppet Baby** (Boswell '89), **Hot** (Byers '89), **Ever Ready**

(Byers '91), **Sun Doll** (Jones '86), and **Be Happy** (Aitken '90).

Sterling Innerst (PA) reported rebloom on **Winterland** (Byers '90), **Istanbul** (Byers '90) and **Jennifer Rebecca** (Zurbrigg '85).

Blooming after October 1st in our garden in Maryland: **Violet Music** (Mahan '90); **Billionaire** (Byers '87); **Baby Blessed** (Zurbrigg '79); **Eternal Bliss** (Byers '88); **Autumn Circus** (Hager '92); **Sunny Disposition** (Zurbrigg '91); **Little Bishop** (Hall '84); **Johnny G** (Zurbrigg '83); **Renown** (Zurbrigg '91); **Perfume Counter** (Zurbrigg '72); **Matrix** (Hall '91); **Autumn Circus** (Hager '90); **Taj Rani** (Blyth '78); **Orange Harvest** (Jones '88); **Duke Of Earl** (Byers '87), **Earl Of Essex** (Zurbrigg '80); **Harvest of Memories** (Zurbrigg '85); **Jennifer Rebecca** (Zurbrigg '85); **Frankincense** (Byers '89); **Clarence** (Zurbrigg '91); **Solstice** (Weiler '92); **Lo Ho Silver** (Byers '89); **Buckwheat** (Byers '89); **Misty Twilight** (Byers '88); **Garden Grace** (Zurbrigg '81); **Grace Thomas** (Zurbrigg '80); **Concoction** (Byers '91); **Plum Wine** (Weiler '86); **Northward Ho** (Zurbrigg '91).

Stalks on irises stopped by frost this year were: **Recurring Ruffles** (Hager '90); **Orchid Lane** (Jefferies '88); **Gilded** (Byers '89); **Sunny Shoulders** (Hager '90); **Progressive Attitude** (Innerst '92); **Joan's Pleasure** (Zurbrigg '93); **Silver Dividends** (Zurbrigg '91); **Hemstitched** (Hager '90); **St. Petersburg** (Byers '90); **Fire On Ice** (Weiler '90); **Marita** (Zurbrigg '89); **Summer Olympics** (Smith '80); **Desiderata** (Moores '80); **Heart Of Ice** (Byers '89).



Membership Notes & Publications Report

At present we still have about 1,000 members. Through AIS secretary we have begun to match AIS members with Reblooming members. RIS members must be AIS members to vote in RIS elections. I hope to have a the list complete by the convention next year. If you are a member of AIS, please indicate so on your renewal.

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Rebloom in my garden has been continuous since mid-August. The following have bloomed here on the Texas-Oklahoma border: **Bonus Mama**, **Porcelain Frills**, **Feedback**, **Sign of Leo**, **Baby Blessed**, **Lady Emma**, **Anxious**, **Belvi Queen**, **Clarence**, **Sunny Shoulders**, **Recurring Ruffles**, **Pink Reprise**, **Truly Yours**, **Communique**, **Misty Twilight**, **Autumn Circus**, **Jennifer Rebecca**, **Late Show**, **Solstice**, & **Rosalie Figge**.

Hope everyone has good rebloom, and may spring bring beautiful gardens.

Charlie Brown

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