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MONDAY, MAY 9, 7:00 PM at LBAGC
TONI GATTONE – “YOU CAN GARDEN FOR LIFE”

Toni Gattone, our speaker for May, is a Master Gardener, professional speaker, and small business owner in Marin County, California. In 1990 she established Toni

Gattone and Associates, a wholesale business that sells home and garden accessories to nurseries and gift stores throughout the west.

She began gardening in her grandfather’s backyard in Chicago. Moving to Northern California in 1970, she worked for 3M Company and conducted public seminars in San Francisco. Later she worked for a communications company, conducting seminars and selling presentation skills to senior executives. She joined the National Speakers Association in 1983, and served on the Northern California Board of Directors as Program Chairman She became a Marin Master Gardener in 2011 and co-chaired their Public Seminars committee. In 2016 she was an invited speaker at the country’s top three gardening events: the Northwest, Chicago, and San Francisco Flower and Garden Shows.

Toni’s talk, “You Can Garden for Life”, is designed for senior and baby boomer gardeners who now or soon will be facing physical limitations. Toni will discuss modifying your garden to increase safety and comfort, saving your back by converting to raised beds and container and vertical gardens, deciding when and how to garden, and selecting ergonomic and adapted gardening tools. You can leave Monday’s talk with an Adaptive Gardening Plan that will help you garden for life!

Board Members: Remember we will have a Board Meeting at 6:00 PM on Monday, May 9. Toni will be setting up her presentation including many adapted tools during the Board Meeting.

Gardening Tips and Musings for May

Anna Cadd

1. The iris season is almost over. Bloom was early and went quickly this year. We still have the SRIS show to organize this week, and I wonder how many stalks we will have to display for the public. But what will be, will be; I hope the judges understand. Soon it will be time to remove all the spent bloom stalks, as the iris plants

need to support them and that is more work for the plants than benefits they get from photosynthesis of the stalks. Stalks can also rot and damage the rhizomes. So our work is not over. After cutting or snapping out the stalks, fertilize your iris plants with balanced fertilizer, 10-10-10 or 15-15-15, assuming that there are no weeds. If you have weeds, do pull them out; as fertilizing the weeds will do irises no good. Next water your irises, at least once a week until the end of June. You won't believe what a difference this will make in the size of rhizomes in August and September.

2. The Region 14 Spring Convention in Nola and Gary Prevost's Iris Garden in San Jose is behind us. It was a very nice, medium-sized convention. There were irises to see, old and new friends to hug, wonderful gift baskets to win, good food and a nice hotel. For the future, plan to attend the Fall Regional Meeting in Livermore and next year the Spring Regional in Sacramento. Do not miss the fun!
3. If you think that sometime in the past love made you crazy and forced you to do stupid things, you are not alone. I have woodpeckers in my garden, and it is fun to watch them whacking their beaks and heads on an old tree or utility pole. Recently I began hearing a noise, like someone shooting a machine gun in rapid fire. This sure got my attention! What was happening? A woodpecker was drilling in an old tree. Another one was sitting on a metal vent cover on the roof of the apartment building next door. He listened very carefully, tilting his head, and then was whacking this metal roof-vent cover! This went on for half an hour or more! I am not sure if he was trying to scare his rival with a bigger and faster noise or if he was trying to impress a lady woodpecker with his strength and power. If he continues this behavior, he will surely damage his brain and there are no insects in the metal roof vent. He must really be in love. The question is, has love destroyed his brain already or is love making him to do the crazy movements? I hope that the lady woodpecker appreciates his efforts!

From the President's Desk

This month has been a busy one. Our Center iris garden looks good and hopefully enough of the flowers will be in bloom for our show. In my garden the irises have already peaked, so we will wait and see what happens in the Center garden for our annual "show."

I am proud of our participation at the 2016 Spring Regional. It was an exciting experience. The ride to Nola's garden was a real shocker. The road was narrow, curving and steep. I am not afraid of heights but the ride made me somewhat uncomfortable. But it was worth it. The owners were friendly, gracious and warm. The weather was warm but the winds had their fun with us. An impressive number of Santa Rosa Iris Society members (9) attended and the participation was great with Kitty Loberg doing a judges' training program on Garden Judging, and Anna Cadd doing a judges' training on Spurias. Both programs were well received with a large number of people attending. At the last minute I was asked to be a judge for the show exhibition. Whoa! My first year as a judge and this was my third time judging a show!

While reviewing the garden seedlings at the Regional I was impressed with one from our own Kathy McCallum, who probably had the best seeding there but it was not in bloom. The plant was awesome, the buds (7) were large and just about to open and the stalk was large and sturdy. We can be very proud of Kathy.

We should also be proud of Joe Lawrence and Anna Marie Hermansen, because they both have only one more apprentice judges' training to complete to become fully accredited AIS Garden/Exhibition judges.

At the general meeting at the Regional I mentioned our Club's participation in the Heirloom Expos, and I said I would put together a list of all the societies in Region 14 for anyone wanting to join an iris society in their home area. Several societies have already given me brochures to have available. Since the Heirloom Expo is attended by people from far distance, I thought the promotion of the iris societies was in line with our education endeavors and may help also with recruitment of new members.

Thanks to all of us who do what we need to do to make the iris family a proud experience.

Rudy Ciuca

From the earth we were formed, to the earth we return. In between, we garden. – Nelson Eddy
(courtesy of Toni Gattone)

This Month

Saturday and Sunday, May 7-8 (open 1-5 Sat., 10-5 Sun.) – SRIS Iris Show/ Potted Iris Sale, LBAGC.
Theme: “Around the World with Iris”.

Monday May 9 – Master Gardener Toni Gattone, “You Can Garden for Life!”

2016 Iris Events and Important Dates

Monday – Saturday, May 23-28, 2016 – AIS National Convention, Newark, New Jersey. Includes Presby Memorial Iris Gardens. Info at: www.irises.org; go to Member Services, then Conventions/Activities. Registration form & hotel info on page 53 of the Fall 2015 AIS Bulletin. Registration \$310.

Monday June 13 – Kitty Loberg, Report on 2016 Region 14 Spring Meeting. Show awards presented.

Monday July 11 – Marlene Horn, Club Irises available at the August Picnic/Auction.

Late July – Digging door prize and auction irises. Exact date, time, and location TBA.

Sunday, August 7 - Potluck Picnic, Iris Auction and Raffle, C&L Vineyard, Sonoma.

Monday, September 5, 8:00 AM – Bag irises for rhizome sale, LBAGC.

Tuesday thru Thursday, September 6-8, 11 AM – 8 PM – 6th Annual Heirloom Expo, Sonoma Co. Fairgrounds. SRIS will have a booth.

Monday, September 12 – Anna Cadd, How to Plant & Grow Irises. Free seminar for new members.

Saturday September 10 & 17, 8:30 – 1:00 PM – SRIS Rhizome Sale, Santa Rosa Community Farmers Market at the Vet’s Building, Santa Rosa.

Monday, October 10 – Beardless including Pacific Coast irises.

Saturday, November (5, 12-5 PM – Holiday Potluck/Come Dressed as an Iris Costume Party, LBAGC. We’ll eat at 2:00 PM.

2016 Board Meetings - Board Members and Officers, please mark your calendars:

Monday, May 9, 6:00 PM

Monday, July 11, 6:00 PM

Monday, September 12, 6:00 PM

Monday, November 14, 6:00 PM

Monday, December 12, 6:00 PM

From the Editor – **Many thanks** for contributions to this issue: **Anna Cadd, Rudy Ciuca, Betty Ford, Toni Gattone, Anna Marie Hermansen, Joe Lawrence, Keren Pratz** of McKinney, Texas, **Jean Sharp, Jan Tolmasoff, and Mary True.**
Alleah

Other Events of Garden Interest

Russian River Rose Company Garden and Nursery, 1685 Magnolia Ave., Healdsburg is open every weekend in May, 10-5. They sell own-rooted roses. Events:

Saturday, May 7 – Prelude to Mother’s Day and Sunday, May 8 (\$2 donation) – Mother’s Day Open Garden.

Saturday & Sunday, May 21 & 22 – Dance Romp in the Roses. UPSide Dance Company will perform at 2 PM; donations to dancers appreciated.

Saturday, Sunday, and Monday – Memorial Weekend “Tea & Memories” with memorial wishing tree. \$2 donation.

Plant Sales

Sonoma County Jail Plant Nursery & Teaching Garden Saturdays: May 7, September 10, October 1, 9 AM to Noon

2254 Ordinance Rd., Santa Rosa, 95403

Checks or cash only; no credit or debit cards.

California native and drought tolerant shrubs, perennials, succulents, groundcovers, fruit and ornamental trees and vegetable starts. 10 Sonoma County Master Gardeners will help you select appropriate plants and answer questions.

Plants are grown by inmates using compost, no fertilizers or pesticides. Information and a plant list at www.scoe.org/jailindustries or call Rick Stern 707 525-8310 or email jailind@mcn.org .Free; bring a cart or wagon to carry your plants.

Valley of the Moon Garden Club Saturday May 7, 9:00 AM to 12:00 noon, Sonoma Community Center, 276 East Napa Street, Sonoma. Vegetable starts, succulents & Mediterranean plants for a water-wise garden, potted plants and flowering plants for Mother's Day gifts.

Willowside School Saturdays, 9 AM to 2 PM: May 14, June 4, June 25 (rain does not cancel)

5299 Hall Rd, Santa Rosa (corner of Willowside and Hall Rds; entrance is on Willowside Rd.)

Over 15 varieties of Japanese maples 3-6' feet tall for \$25-\$35 ea., variety of low water & drought tolerant perennials, California natives, grasses, succulents, salvias, and plants that invite beneficial insects, butterflies and hummingbirds into your garden. PRICE: \$4 for 1 gallon container. Questions? 707-569-4724. Gladly accepts donations of healthy plants, garden tools, working wagons, ceramic pots, recycled 1 and 5 gallon nursery containers, etc.

Occidental Arts and Ecology Center Organic Nursery, 15290 Coleman Valley Road, Occidental 95465 874-1557.

OPEN NURSERY WEEKENDS (Perennials Only)

Every Saturday & Sunday, 10 AM to 5 PM: May 14 - June 19 and September 10 - October 30

FALL & WINTER GARDEN PLANT SALE (Two Weekends)

Saturday, August 20 & Sunday, August 21 9 AM to 5 PM

Saturday, August 27 & Sunday, August 28 9 AM to 5 PM

Seasonal plant sales specialize in annual vegetables, flowers and herbs. Perennials Weekends offer a selection of perennial food crops, culinary & medicinal herbs & habitat plants.

Events feature live music, a petting zoo and tours of OAEC. OAEC is an 80-acre research, demonstration, education, advocacy and community organizing center in West Sonoma County that supports the restoration of biological and cultural diversity.

Redwood Empire Rose Society Saturday, May 21, 1 PM to 4 PM Rose Plant Sale & Rose Show, Luther Burbank Art & Garden Center, 2050 Yulupa, Santa Rosa. 50th Annual Rose Show; roses for sale grown by members of the Rose Society plus companion plants.

Windsor Garden Club Sunday, October 23, 10 AM to 2 PM, Fall Succulent Pumpkin Sale at the Fall Jamboree, Windsor Town Green @ McClellan and Market Sts. Fall color pots and long lasting succulent topped pumpkins. Fall family activities, music, and farmers' market.



Notice: Changes to Roster

Please welcome the following new member and help her feel welcome to our club:

Mary Lee True

57 Grant Avenue

Petaluma, CA 94952

marytrue@sonic.net

Mary is a member of the Petaluma Garden Club and learned about us when Anna Cadd gave a talk there this year. Mary found our website, read some of our Newsletters, and decided to join us. Welcome, Mary!



No occupation is so delightful as the culture of the earth. *Thomas Jefferson*, submitted by Keren Pratz.



Keeping In Touch

Three of our members have been “down in the back”. **Marlene Freetly** has had it probably the worst and is under on-going doctor’s care with medication for a disc problem, **Anna Marie Hermansen** hurt her back weed-eating in her San Francisco garden on Wednesday before our tour of her Santa Rosa garden on April 23 and she’s been in 2x/week physical therapy, and **Juanita Breckwoldt** fell in her bathroom the next week. Bob Jr. scooped her up and got her in bed to recuperate. Here is contact info should you wish to commiserate:

Marlene Freetly
marlenefreetly@gmail.com

Anna Marie Hermansen (S.F.), (S.R.), amrmah@ix.netcom.com

Juanita Breckwoldt

Happy Birthday May Babies

Steve Albert 5/26
Don Ford 5/27

May Wedding Anniversary

Vicki and Paul Yarnal 5/2

Belated April Birthday Wishes

Mary True 4/15

February through October of each year meetings of the Santa Rosa Iris Society are held on the second Monday of each month at the Luther Burbank Art and Garden Center, 2050 Yulupa Ave., Santa Rosa, California. The Program starts at 7:00 p.m. and the business meeting follows after the break. Come early and visit. The doors open about 6:00 p.m. for set up and coffee making. *The deadline for all submissions for the **June 2016** issue of this Newsletter is **May 20, 2016**. E-mail copy to:*

alleah.haley@gmail.com.

SRIS Display Garden at LBAGC

Several members have been diligently weeding, planting, fertilizing, and generally fussing over the irises at our Display Garden this spring. Work parties were held on February 11, March ?, and April 26. On the last date Cheryl Bryan and Jean Sharp weeded and planted several irids (relatives of irises) including *Crocasmia*, *Gladiolus acidanthera* (peacock orchid), and *Sisyrinchium striatum* (pale yellow-eyed grass). Jean reports that spurge and wild morning glory are “getting bad” and another work party should be scheduled. Please come weed and help us make ours a true “display garden”. The Display Garden co-chairs are Jim Begley and Jeff Davis. They appreciate all who have helped with the garden this spring.

Pineappling in Irises

Anna Cadd

While I was pulling knee-high weeds, I discovered several irises that had pineappling. Jim Begley talked to me about this, this spring, saying he had had the same problem, and asked me if I knew what it is and what is the cause? I remember reading an article about it several years ago in the AIS Bulletin, but I don’t remember when.¹ When I Googled pineappling, no search results came up. Imagine that!



'Wine Time' (Messick, 1998, TB RE) blooming in March in Cadds garden, showing pineappling.

So I contacted Chuck Chapman of Guelph, Ontario, Canada; and he said he suspects that it is a developmental problem rather than a disease. He thinks that this is the result of weather interacting with development.

I told him I suspected that it can be also be caused by insect damage when the plants start to grow from the rhizome. If this is caused by weather interacting with development, it should occur in more plants from the same variety. I am not sure if I have more than 20 pineappling rhizomes in the garden, and they are scattered here and there.

But Chuck answered that it is involved with the start of growth combined with having appropriate amount of "chilling". Plants have a mini computer system for flowering and a number of genes are involved in sensing environment and promoting growth. A fine balance can get disrupted when one signal says "grow", and another says "I'm not ready yet". This happens when weather conditions are outside normal parameters. The genes are tuned for normal or usual weather conditions. We don't know for sure if some cultivars are more prone to pineappling than others. So basically this phenomenon is an imbalance inside of plant signaling - and has nothing to do with insects, viruses, bacteria, etc. Both irises and daylilies show this effect. We don't know for sure if anybody else has researched this problem. I know that Rick Tasco and gardeners in Southern California reported more than the usual occurrence of pineappling this year. More investigation needs to be done.

¹Your editor did a search for "pineapp" on the AIS website: [www.irises.org/pdf/AIS Bulletin Index-12-05-2012.txt](http://www.irises.org/pdf/AIS_Bulletin_Index-12-05-2012.txt). Four, really old, references came up:

July 1947 AIS Bull., p. 122: Pineappling, Unknown Diseases/Pests – deformed iris.

January 1951 AIS Bull., p. 87: Pineappling photo.

January 1951 AIS Bull., p. 87: Pineappling in Argentina. Clarice deLang, Letters to Editor.

April 1952 AIS Bull., p. 47: .Mrs. Victor Perini, Garden Reports (Pests/Diseases).

Awards at the 2016 Spring Regional

The recent Spring Meeting of Region 14 held in Milpitas and at Nola's Iris Garden in San Jose attracted 71 registrants, 38 of which cast ballots for their favorite irises seen in bloom at the meeting. **Garden awards were** as follows:

Knopf Cup for the best numbered or named seeding of a Region 14 hybridizer – 'Skybeat' (Annand selected by Rob Marshall, TB), a tall bright yellow self.

Out of Region Award for best iris from a hybridizer outside Region 14, seedling or introduced 2012-2016 – 'Skirting the Issue' (Schreiner, 2014, TB) – S. pink, F. red-purple edged pink; beards orange.

Cotillion Cup for best 2016 introduction by Region 14 hybridizer blooming in a clump of 3 or more stalks – 'Heavens Door' (Annand selected by Rob Marshall, 2016, TB) – S. white; F same, edged lavender.

Clara B. Rees Cup for best introduction prior to 2016 by Region 14 hybridizer, blooming in a clump of 3 or more stalks – ‘Hearts on Fire’ (John Painter, 2013, TB) – ruffled red; gold beards.

Melrose Cup – best beardless – no award (no beardless irises seen in the garden).

James Gibson Cup – best plicata, luminata, or broken color seedling or named variety introduced 2012-2016 – ‘Jazzberry’ (John Painter, 2013, TB) – S. red-grape; F. white ground, wide red-grape plicata band; beards gold.

Hager Cup – best median introduced 2012-2016 – ‘Holiday in Mexico’ (Probst, 2012, MTB) – S. yellow; F. white ground veined red-purple, yellow edge; beards white.

A full exhibition show was staged at the convention hotel with 126 irises entered by 13 exhibitors. **Show winners were:**

Best Beardless – ‘Rodeo Blue’ (spuria), exhibited by Jane Jordan of Clara B. Rees Iris Society

Best TB – ‘Tijuana Taxi’ exhibited by Doug Kanarowski

Best Seedling – ‘05-77’ (TB) by Doug Kanarowski

Best Specimen of Show – ‘Ariane’ (Cayeux, 1935, TB (lavender-purple plicata; historic) exhibited by Phyllis Wilburn.

Silver Medal (most blue ribbons (6)) – Doug **Kanarowski**

Bronze Medal (2nd most blue ribbons) – Kathy Braaten

Vote for AIS Awards

Anna Cadd

If you are a **member** of AIS, you are eligible to vote in the AIS Symposium, which selects the 100 Favorite Tall Bearded Irises each year. The blue Symposium ballot was included in the Spring, 2016 issue of *Irises*, the Bulletin of the American Iris Society. Vote for your favorite 25 TBs and mail or email your selections to RVP Phyllis Wilburn by September 1, 2016. Her contact info is: PO Box 9, Rescue, CA 95672; abirder@aol.com. The top 25, nationwide, in 2015 were:

1. Dusky Challenger (Schreiner, 1986)
2. Jesse’s Song (B. Williamson, 1983)
3. Queen’s Circle (Kerr, 2000)
4. Gypsy Lord (Keppel, 2006)
5. Daughter of Stars (D. Spoon, 2001)
6. Stairway to Heaven (L. Lauer, 1993)
7. Florentine Silk (Keppel, 2005)
8. That’s All Folks (Maryott, 2005)
9. Conjuraton (Byers, 1989)
10. Celebration Song (Schreiner, 1993)
11. Thornbird (Byers, 1989)
12. Beverly Sills (Hager, 1979)
13. Stepping Out (Schreiner, 1964)
14. Silverado (Schreiner, 1987)
15. Sea Power (Keppel, 1999)
16. Lady Friend (Ghio, 1981)
17. Immortality (Zurbrigg, 1982)
18. Paul Black (T. Johnson, 2003)
19. Drama Queen (Keppel, 2003)
20. Decadence (Blyth, 2004)
21. Mesmerizer (Byers, 1991)
22. Montmartre (Keppel, 2008)
23. Splashacata (Tasco, 1998)
24. Titan’s Glory (Schreiner, 1981)
25. Absolute Treasure (Tasco, 2006)

AIS Judges vote for various awards, including the Dykes Medal, the highest award for irises. This award was established by the British Iris Society in honor of William Rickatson Dykes and is given to the best iris developed by an American (US & Canadian) hybridizer or hybridizers from other countries, who introduced their irises first in the USA. Irises eligible for the Award are chosen from the AIS Medal winners. The Medal winners are the best irises in their class. So, this is the best of the best. The British Iris Society also presents Dykes Medals to Great Britain, Australia, New Zealand and previously France. The Dykes Medals are made in England and financed by the British Iris Society.

An iris is eligible as a Dykes Medal candidate for three years following winning a class Medal for each iris type (TB, BB, MTB, SDB, spuria, Siberian, etc.) and all the classes are eligible.



The 2015 American Dykes Medal winner was 'Gypsy Lord' (Keppel, 2006, TB). Keith Keppel, formerly of Stockton, lives and hybridizes irises in Oregon.

Minutes of Santa Rosa Iris Society Board Meeting, December 14, 2015

At 7:00 p.m. Jim Begley, Jeff Davis and Ross BeVier gave a wonderful and informative show about preparing iris for the show. They did a quick demonstration show with Rudy Ciuca practicing his judging and all the other judges chiming in. Next year this program will be used as judges

training time.

The General Meeting was called to order at 8:45 p.m. March minutes were approved.

Treasurer's report was approved.

Marlene Horn reported on the Spring Show sales. Kathy McCallum and Jeff Davis are helping Marlene organize and oversee the sales. Price on potted plants will remain \$7 and 3 for \$20. Someone will be assigned to the outside register at all times. A signup sheet was passed around and included cleanup at the end. Anna-Marie Hermansen will print pictures for the pot sale and Alleah Haley will print pot labels. There will be a sign on the door directing people outside to the pots. There will be tables for arranging sale pots to avoid the constant bending over.

Anna-Marie Hermansen reported as show chair. She will open up the center at 2:00 p.m. on Friday for setup and at 7:00 a.m. Saturday for show prep. Jeff will hang banners. Kathy McCallum is handling publicity with the Press Democrat. Rudy will do the show lunch.

Betty Ford and Alleah Haley Reports continued until next meeting.

Kitty Loberg reported on beardless iris purchase. She has confirmation with 3 growers:

Chad Harris from Mt. Pleasant Iris Farm, Washougal WA

Jan Schaefer and Marty Sacks of Joe Pye Weed's Garden, Carlisle, MA

Bob Seamen of Leonine Iris, Seattle, WA

An extra \$30 for shipping was approved.

Jim Begley and Diana Ford arranged the schedule for the members' garden tour to include Betty Ford, C & L Vineyards, Anna Cadd, Don and Diana Ford, Anna-Marie Hermansen and Jim Begley.

Library materials discussion was continued.

Region 14 Scholarship was continued.

Eric Hansen memorial: Kitty Loberg, Steve Albert, Anna Cadd, Loretta Figueroa, and Alleah Haley attended Eric's memorial service. They reported that it was beautiful and well attended. Eric was very involved with the organic farming movement.

\$50 was approved for Anna Cadd to purchase replacement spurias for the Center.

\$50 for PCI purchase was approved.

Next month's agenda needs workday for June to address weeds and July for digging door prize iris.

Cheryl Bryan suggested that other plants in the iris family be added to the garden at the Center. Many of these may be in members gardens and available by donation. It was suggested this be added to next month's agenda.

After the door prizes meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Door Prize Winners for April

ALABASTER LACE – Jeff Davis
BOSTON CREAM – Alleah Haley
CELTIC TARTAN – Jim Begley
COSMIC BLAST – Rudy Ciuca
COZY COTTON – Joe Lawrence
DOUBLE CHOCOLATE – Kathy McCallum
ESPIONAGE - Anna Cadd
FIRE DANGER – Don Ford
GOLD REWARD – Gilda
HIGH DESERT – Jeff Davis
HUCKLEBERRY SUNDAE – Anna Marie Hermanson
IN THE LOOP – Steve Albert
MIDNIGHT VELVET – Cheryl Bryan
PAYBACK TIME – Marlene Horn
RARE COIN – Diana Ford
SHIVAREE – Linnea Polo
TASTY – Betty Ford
TICKLE MY FANCY – Kitty Loberg

2015 R&I Available

The AIS Registrations and Introductions booklet is now available from the AIS Storefront. The price is \$13 including shipping and handling. Send your check payable to AIS to:

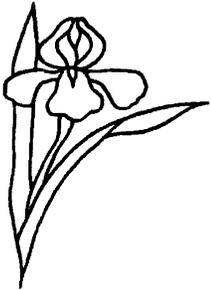
AIS Storefront
John and Kay Ludi
PO Box 956
Sandy, OR 97055

Check out the AIS Storefront at www.irises.org for other booklets, 10-year Checklists of Registrations and Introductions, iris-themed note cards, books, seals, and calendars.

Albert Schweitzer on volunteerism: “You must give some time to your fellow men. Even if it’s a little thing, do something for others – something for which you get no pay but the privilege of doing it.”

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Meetings & Membership

The Santa Rosa Iris Society meets the second Monday of each month February through October at 7:00 p.m. at the Luther Burbank Art and Garden Center, 2050 Yulupa Avenue, Santa Rosa, California. In November instead of having a regular meeting, we have our annual holiday potluck dinner and dress up as an iris name costume party.

Membership dues are \$15.00 per year. Send payment to: Santa Rosa Iris Society c/o Betty Ford, 1383 E. Napa St., Sonoma, CA 95476. Membership offers regular meetings, iris door prizes, special programs, use of our library, a monthly newsletter, annual iris show and rhizome sale, and fellowship with other iris lovers.

June Newsletter Deadline – May 20th