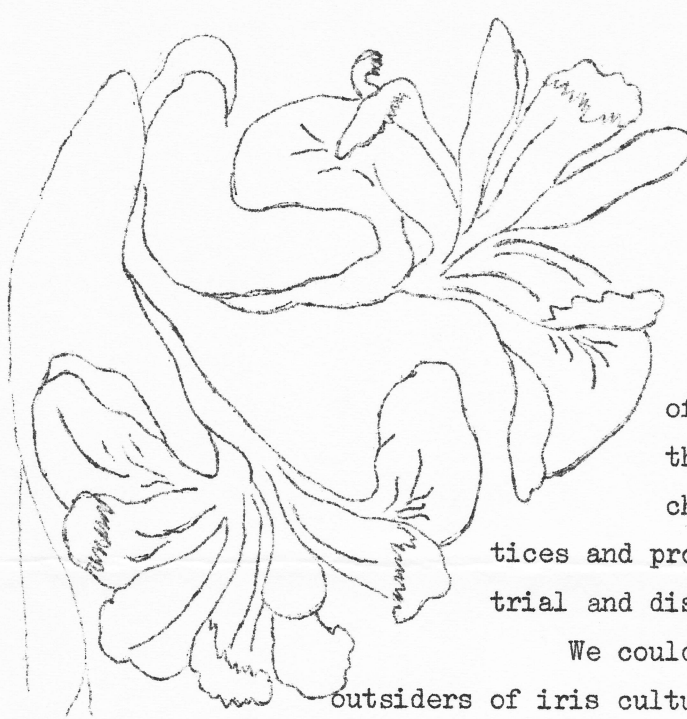


TWIN CITY IRIS SOCIETY

NEWS and VIEWS

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



There is one thing that we as members of the Iris Society owe to each other and the public in general. This is the exchange of information on cultural practices and procedures. Our own experience can save trial and disappointment in the practices of others.

We could hold educational sessions to inform outsiders of iris culture, but most of us shy away from formal sessions. Those who visit members' gardens do learn by looking and asking questions, and this should be encouraged. We already extend an open invitation to membership in the society as a means of expanding a person's knowledge. The information people seek should be readily available. We do have the responsibility of sharing and bringing out information. What has helped us personally in the garden can be shared with others.

The expansion of quarterly "NEWS and VIEWS" is more than an attempt to attract members. It is a chance to compare practices among ourselves. Not one member has a garden free from disease, weeds, or plants that could be helped. Seasonal variation, causal organisms, and nutritional behavior in irises is not as well understood as we would like.

The understanding of iris progress by those who should know (at the University, and in the Horticulture Society) is not up to par; but instead of blaming those who do not know, we have the responsibility to see that they are informed, kept up to date, and guided in the progress of the iris.

This is still education, but a gentle form that can help us as we help others.

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Are you tired of the snow and cold of January? Do you long for the sight of green grass and flowers? Then be sure not to miss the January Iris meeting, when we will take a camera tour of England, Denmark, and other European countries.

Mr. Carl Holst, Supervisor of Horticulture for the Minneapolis Park Board, will be our speaker, and show us the lovely slides he took while touring Europe, a few years ago.

We can learn much from the lovely landscape gardening of the Europeans, and you will enjoy Carl's friendly presentation and gardening tips. Do not miss this first meeting of 1969!

MILWAUKEE CONVENTION

Arts and Crafts Exhibit

Any art or craft articles with an Iris design, or in some way displaying the iris flower, will be acceptable.

Pictures should not be larger than 20" X 24". Pictures will be hung on walls, and jewelry and small pieces will be displayed in glass cabinets. Larger articles will be displayed on tables.

Notice of size and number of pictures and articles should be sent to Mr. Robert Reinhardt by March 15, and the deadline for receiving them is May 1. Suggested media-
Oils Pastels Watercolors Temperas Inks Dry Brush Collages

To help make 1969 a successful and fruitful year, we need you, the membership, which are our supporting members, to submit your current membership dues.

The yearbook is being assembled at the present time. We are hopeful that your name, address, zip, and telephone number will be listed, along with your many friends. If the rush of the holidays, the snow shoveling of the 26¹/₂" in December, or the Hong Kong flu have made you forget the \$1.50 or \$2.00, plus the amount for the Minnesota Horticulture membership, will you please send your dues to the membership secretary:

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Do you belong to the American Iris Society? Why not use some of your Christmas gift money and become a member? The Quarterly Bulletin you will receive contains a wealth of knowledge.