



# *Twin City Iris Society*

## News and Views

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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Now that most of the irises have finished blooming, the time for planting new varieties will soon be here. Each of you have seen cultivars that appeal to your taste. I hope your season of bloom was as successful as my own. I look forward to the Higos yet to bloom.

#### PRESIDENT-

Warren Johnson  
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There will be a Board of Directors meeting called for June 21st during our visit to the Arboretum. Among the things to be discussed will be a report by a special committee of the American Iris Society on organization, expenses and an increase in individual and affiliate dues.

#### 1st VICE-PRES-

Wilbert Sindt  
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There is a need for a series of fact sheets on phases of Iris culture to be made available to members and the public in general. Each sheet would cover one area of Iris culture such as disease control, spring care or winter protection. These would be made up from information in the 'News & Views' and corrected before release by the members best qualified.

#### 2nd VICE-PRES-

Julius Wadekamper  
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The Board will be informed on the first year of field testing to evaluate conditions conducive to scorch in Minnesota. These tests are planned by Dave MacDonald and supported by funds from the Department of Plant Pathology of the U. of M.

#### TREASURER-

Manfred Wormuth  
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There is an offer extended to the society to prepare a screen of diseases affecting irises in our own area. Don Barnes from St. Paul offers his time and effort in identifying the causal agents of trouble in our gardens using a system of isolation, purification, inoculation back on iris and comparison with original iris material of disease isolates. This would open a line of fungicides to prevent or stop a disease that may never have been thought of or tried on irises.

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Stan Rudser will introduce an idea on supplying top iris cultivars for use in our annual auction that I encourage each member of the board to consider. Perpetual Trophies will also be discussed.

#### EDITOR-

Mary Duvall  
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Come on along to the Arboretum and enjoy being in the open air among some beautiful and unusual plant collections; peonies, lilies, hosta and others.

- WARREN JOHNSON

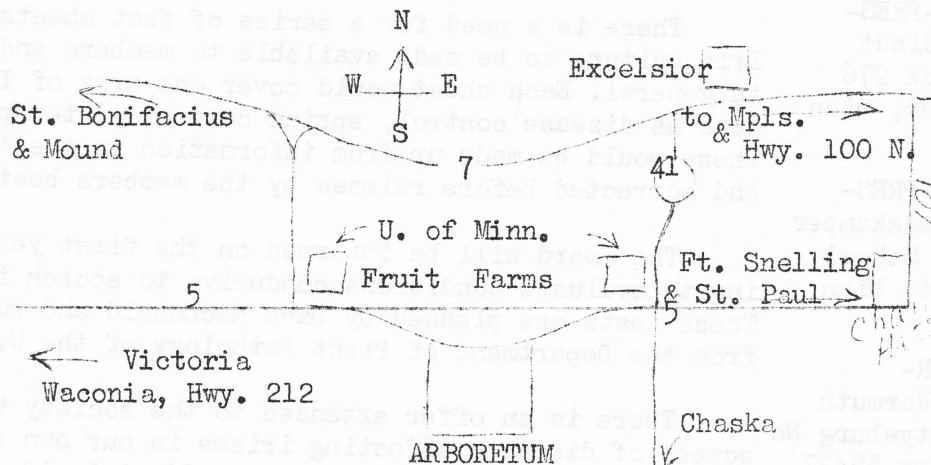
MEETING - June 21, 1969 2PM  
at the ARBORETUM

1. Guided tour of the Arboretum
2. View the peony gardens
3. Pot Luck Picnic Supper.

(Each one bring the same as you brought to the last pot luck supper. If you have any questions, call Mrs. Bennedict. Tel. 561-1384.)  
Coffee, cold drinks, and paper plates will be furnished.

Dr. Snyder said that the azaleas should be blooming throughout most of June and the peony collection, which includes about 200 kinds, should be at its peak June 20.

Construction and regrading at the intersection of Minnesota Hwy. 5 and County Rd. 4 has closed Hwy. 5 from its intersection with Interstate Hwy. 494 to the east junction of Trunk Hwy. 101 in Chanhassen. Detour via Hwy. 494, Trunk Hwy 7 and Trunk Hwy. 41.



a note from Ethel Baukus ....

"Mrs. Hoyt Smith (Edith), the Division Director of Regional robins has asked me to contact members of Region 8 - to see if we can't get a Region Robin started. If you, or any of the Twin City (Society) members are interested, please contact Mrs. Smith, Peg Gray, or myself."

Mrs. Peter Baukus, 10415 West Montana Place, West Allis, Wisconsin 53227

What better way to share your ideas, discuss your iris garden problems, ask questions? There is nothing quite so welcome as a robin letter when the snow is two feet thick, and the temperature hovers below zero. - Ed.

## The Milwaukee Convention

In the coming issues of the "News & Views", you will be reading Convention reviews written by the members who attended the American Iris Society Convention at Milwaukee.

The first garden I visited on the garden tours was the Royal Johnson garden at Wind Lake. The iris garden was beautifully laid out with grass paths separating the beds.

A large clump of Lilli-pink-put was in full bloom. I especially liked Small Talk by Neva Sexton. The blossom is lovely - a white with a flush of blue-violet in the heart of the flower. One branch toed-in. The clump was just coming into bloom with three terminal blooms open. Arctic Fancy has a very showy flower - a purple plicata with a blue beard. This was growing on very short stalks, having one branch and terminal. Clarial Island shows very good branching - 4 branches and terminal. A very smooth light blue with good substance, and a white-tipped beard. #474 by Steve Varner is a medium blue, having a white beard surrounded by a small white area. It has 4 branches and terminal. His irises do have the branching! Carnival of Roses by Wilma Vallette is a violet bi-tone with very large falls. Glacial Ice, also by Vallette showed only one bloom open - a very white white. #67-12T by Ramona Blodgett has beautiful buds. It is Border-bearded, a yellow bi-tone with a good orange beard. Haft-markings do show. Elfin Princess by Earl Roberts, an IB, is a very showy perky white with 2 branches and terminal. Border Cream by Muhlstein, IB, is very ruffly white with yellow flush in the center. The plant grew at 12", short for the bloom size. #63-95B by Wolff-Hildenbradt is another BB, a dark violet with good bloom. #66-1 by R. Reinhardt was a very nice lacy pale pink cast. Only one bloom open. I would like to see more of this one. As we were getting ready to leave, I noticed Steve Varner patiently blowing open his #3227, a red-bearded red.

There was no time for lingering for a second look. - The Convention was off to a fast start. And it promised to be great fun.

a note from the Bagley Garden Club -

The Bagley Garden Club was organized in 1952. There are 18 members at the present time. We meet the second Thursday of each month, in the members homes. At each meeting the garden Quiz, and a topic are discussed. Outside speakers sometime give the topic. We are affiliated with the Minnesota Horticultural Society and are in the 12th Horticultural District. We also belong to the A.I.S.

We have sponsored 9 Iris and Peony Shows. Plans are being made for the 10th one this June. At our first show there were 21 exhibitors exhibiting 73 stalks of irises. There were 77 visitors. At our last show 28 folks exhibited 131 specimens besides arrangements and other flowers. 250 people visited the show.

Our special projects for the year are planting the flower gardens at the city park, donating a book on gardening to the public library, and a gift to the Arboretum.

Two of our members belong to the A.I.S.



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Getting to know new members -

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Kuchenbecker

Mrs. Kuchenbecker cannot remember when she became interested in flowers. It is hard to remember any trait that you were born with as having a beginning. It was always there. Frances' parents were both interested in plants, her father even did a little hybridizing. Her mother participated in "friendship gardens" in which gardeners exchanged plants with one another.

The Kuchenbecker garden blossoms from tulip time to snow in the fall. They raise lilies, daylilies, chrysanthemums, many annuals and other perennials, all graced by lilac bushes.

The Kuchenbeckers are adding plants each year, since they have lived at their present location only four years. When they came to 9432 West River Road there was only a lilac hedge.

Mrs. Kuckenbecker is a graduate of Mankato State and also attended the U of M and Cornell. Her minor degrees are in science. She enjoys making arrangements, with fresh and dried flowers and also likes to knit.

Mr. Kuchenbecker is the vegetable gardener. He came from South Dakota. His interests are hunting, fishing, bowling and baseball.

We welcome them to the Twin City Iris Society and hope they find the meetings sociable and informative.

- J.WW

Mary Coyle

Would you believe that two African violets could initiate the purchase of a new home and a change of residence from St. Paul to Minneapolis? Well, it did just that in the case of Mary Coyle. She started with a gift of two African Violets and gradually acquired more until her apartment dwelling could no longer contain her plants nor her desire to grow more, so she moved to a house with garden space on Minnehaha Parkway.

Mrs. Coyle has a son in the Army. He is a graduate of St. Thomas college and is serving in Kentucky at the present time. Her two daughters are at the U of M and St. Catherine's College.

Mrs. Coyle is from New York State where she had a large garden. She is interested in Organic gardening and has a lot of space to practice it on her large lot on the shores of Minnehaha Creek. Mrs. Coyle added several new iris introductions last year.

We welcome Mrs. Mary Coyle to the Twin City Iris Society and hope to find out what her new introductions were at one of the future meetings.

- Julius Wadekamper

TWIN CITY IRIS SOCIETY EARLY SHOW REPORT - May 15, 1969  
Guarantee State Bank of Robbinsdale, 3700 West Broadway  
Minneapolis (Robbinsdale), Minnesota

219 entries by 24 exhibitors

SECTION I - Miniature Dwarf Bearded - 70 entries  
Section Champion - Perky (Class 11) - David B. Sindt  
Most Blue Ribbons - David B. Sindt (6)

Class 1 - White - 5 entries

- 1st - Bright White - Riverdale Iris Gardens
- 2nd - Bright White - Laura Sutton
- 3rd - Bright White - David Sindt

Class 2-3- White with spot, plicata - 6 entries

- 1st - Cup Cake - David Sindt
- 2nd - Irish Doll - David Sindt
- 3rd - Cherry Spot - Julius Wadekamper
- Other varieties shown - Knick Knack, Polka Dot, So Fair

Class 4A-6- Cream, lemon, green - 9 entries

- 1st - Lemon Puff - Riverdale Iris Gardens
- 2nd - Pastel Dawn - Riverdale Iris Gardens
- 3rd - Lemon Puff - David Sindt
- Other varieties shown - Cream Delight, Dirty Face

Class 4B - Yellow arenaria hybrids - 4 entries

- 1st - None
- 2nd - Gay Flirt - David Sindt
- 3rd - Butterball - David Sindt
- Other variety shown - Tiny Treasure

Class 4C- Light - medium yellow - 7 entries

- 1st - April Accent - David Sindt
- 2nd - Christine M. - David Sindt
- 3rd - Trinket - Mary Duvall
- Other varieties shown - Blue Whiskers, Fashion Lady, Moongleam

Class 4D-5- Deep yellow, orange, yellow with spot - 6 entries

- 1st - Magic Flute - David Sindt
- 2nd - Golden Cupid - David Sindt
- 3rd - Hula Doll - David Sindt
- Other varieties shown - Ablaze, Fortissimo

Class 7-8- Blue with or without spot - 5 entries

- 1st - Grandma's Hat - David Sindt
- 2nd - Grandma's Hat - Riverdale Iris Gardens
- 3rd - Enamel Blue - David Sindt
- Other varieties shown - Buzzer, Curiosity

Class 9 - Pink, orchid, rose - 3 entries

- 1st - None
- 2nd - Promise - Sally Elert
- 3rd - April Rose - David Sindt

Class 10 - Violet, black - 7 entries

- 1st - Little Joe - Riverdale Iris Gardens
- 2nd - Vatican Petite - Julius Wadekamper
- 3rd - Black Baby - Maybelle Wright
- Other varieties shown - Indianette, Little Villain

Class 11 - Purple, red-violet - 7 entries

- 1st - Perky - David Sindt
- 2nd - Cup and Saucer - David Sindt

3rd - Blazon - Henry Halvorson  
Other varieties shown - Atroviolacea, Garnette, Ink Spot

Class 12 - Red-5 entries

1st - None  
2nd - Red Gem - Sally Elert  
3rd - Brickly - David Sindt  
Other variety shown - Tampa

Class 13 - Brown, blend - 6 entries

1st - Buster Brown - David Sindt  
2nd - Buster Brown - Greta Kessenich  
3rd - Fior del Mondo - Riverdale Iris Gardens

SECTION II - Standard Dwarf Bearded - 99 entries

Section Champion - Blueberry Muffins (Class 17A) - Riverdale Iris Gardens  
Most Blue Ribbons - David B. Sindt (5)

Class 14 - White, cream - 5 entries

1st - Nylon Ruffles - David Sindt  
2nd - Brite - David Sindt  
3rd - Nylon Ruffles - Mary Duvall  
Other variety shown - Snow Elf

Class 15A - Green Spot - 8 entries

1st - Green Spot - Alice Bakke  
2nd - Green Spot - Kevin Boyce  
3rd - Green Spot - Mary Duvall

Class 15B - White or cream with spot - 5 entries

1st - Pastel Charm - Riverdale Iris Gardens  
2nd - Elisa Bee - David Sindt  
3rd - Just So - Maybelle Wright  
Other variety shown - Snow Troll

Class 16 - Plicata - 4 entries

1st - Circlette - David Sindt  
2nd - Circlette - Greta Kessenich  
3rd - Wee Reggie - Riverdale Iris Gardens  
Other variety shown - Dale Dennis

Class 17A - Cream or yellow with blue beard - 6 entries

1st - Blueberry Muffins - Riverdale Iris Gardens  
2nd - Scot Cream - Riverdale Iris Gardens  
3rd - Blueberry Muffins - David Sindt  
Other variety shown - Easter Holiday

Class 17B - Baria - 5 entries

1st - Baria - Sally Elert  
2nd - Baria - Maybelle Wright  
3rd - Baria - Kevin Boyce

Class 17C - Medium - deep yellow - 6 entries

1st - Brassie - Scott Feyen  
2nd - Swingin' Miss - David Sindt  
3rd - Pygmy Gold - Scott Feyen  
Other varieties shown - Lilli Yellow, Wilma V.

Class 17D - Deep yellow - orange - 6 entries

1st Golden Fair - Maybelle Wright  
2nd - Orange Caper - Riverdale Iris Gardens  
3rd - Orange Bantam - Sally Elert

Class 18A - Yellow with red spot - 5 entries

1st - Lilli Var - Frances Ehle  
2nd - Pogo - Scott Feyen  
3rd - Lilli Var - Riverdale Iris Gardens



Class 18B - Yellow with brown spot - 5 entries

- 1st - Tiger Blaze - David Sindt
- 2nd - Russet Dot - Sally Elert
- 3rd - Tiger Blaze - Riverdale Iris Gardens
- Other variety shown - Bronze Babe

Class 19 - Flamingo pink - 1 entry

- 1st - Lenna M. - Maybelle Wright
- 2nd - None
- 3rd - None

Class 20 - Blue - 3 entries

- 1st - Sky Baby - Maybelle Wright
- 2nd - Blue Denim - Julius Wadekamper
- 3rd - Fairy Flax - David Sindt

Class 21A - Tinkerbelle - 6 entries

- 1st - Tinkerbelle - Sally Elert
- 2nd - Tinkerbelle - Scott Feyen
- 3rd - Tinkerbelle - Julius Wadekamper

Class 21B - Blue or lavender with spot - 4 entries

- 1st - Red Heart - David Sindt
- 2nd - Blue Sparks - David Sindt
- 3rd - Deep Lavender - David Sindt
- Other variety shown - Allah

Class 22 - Lavender, orchid, rose - 4 entries

- 1st - Serenity - Greta Kessenich
- 2nd - Fi Lee - David Sindt
- 3rd - Serenity - Riverdale Iris Gardens
- Other variety shown - Lilacilil

Class 23 - Violet, black - 5 entries

- 1st - Moon Shadows - Riverdale Iris Gardens
- 2nd - Snippet - Riverdale Iris Gardens
- 3rd - Dark Spark - Riverdale Iris Gardens

Class 24-25- Purple, red, red-violet - 6 entries

- 1st - Cherry Garden - Maybelle Wright
- 2nd - Wee Lad - Julius Wadekamper
- 3rd - Merrymaker - David Sindt
- Other variety shown - Red Lilli

Class 26A - Blue-toned blends - 5 entries

- 1st - Sparkling Cloud - Riverdale Iris Gardens
- 2nd - Gracilis - David Sindt
- 3rd - Sparkling Cloud - Maybelle Wright

Class 26B - Red-toned blends - 3 entries

- 1st - Gypsy Flirt - David Sindt
- 2nd - Parchment Plum - David Sindt
- 3rd - None

Class 26C - Yellow-toned blends - 7 entries

- 1st - Tawny Tot - Greta Kessenich
- 2nd - Litchfield - Greta Kessenich
- 3rd - Arrangement - Maybelle Wright
- Other varieties shown - Knotty Pine, Lilli Brownstone

SECTION III - Intermediate Bearded - 14 entries  
Section Champion - Maroon Capers (Class 34) - Carol Lankow  
Most Blue Ribbons - Greta Kessenich (2)

Class 27 - White - 5 entries  
1st - Little Angel - Greta Kessenich  
2nd - Cloud Fluff - Riverdale Iris Gardens  
3rd - Frosted Cup - Greta Kessenich

Class 28 - Yellow, green - 2 entries  
1st - Proper Lemon - Riverdale Iris Gardens  
2nd - Proper Lemon - Maybelle Wright  
3rd - None

Class 29 - White or yellow with spot - 2 entries  
1st - None  
2nd - Saucy Flossie - Davie Sindt  
3rd - Tamino - Mary Duvall

Class 30-31- Plicata, flamingo pink - No entries

Class 32-33 - Blue, orchid, Lavender - 3 entries  
1st - Crepe de Chine - Greta Kessenich  
2nd - First Lilac - Riverdale Iris Gardens  
3rd - First Lilac - Carol Lankow

Class 34 - Purple, violet, black - 2 entries  
1st - Maroon Capers - Carol Lankow  
2nd - Maroon Capers - Riverdale Iris Gardens  
3rd - None

Class 35 - Red, brown, blend - No entries

SECTIONS IV TO VIII - Other specimen classifications - 14 entries  
Most Blue Ribbons - Riverdale Iris Gardens (3)

SECTION IV - Later Blooming Bearded - 1 entry

Class 36 - Miniature Tall Bearded - 1 entry  
1st - Pewee - Riverdale Iris Gardens  
2nd - None  
3rd - None

Class 37-38 - Border Bearded, Tall Bearded - No entries

SECTION V - Pure Arils - 2 entries

Class 39 - Oncocyclus - No entries

Class 40 - Oncoegelia, regeliocyclus - 2 entries  
1st - Artemis - Riverdale Iris Gardens  
2nd - Vulcanus - Riverdale Iris Gardens  
3rd - None

Class 41 - Regelia - No entries

SECTION VI - Arilbred - 5 entries

Class 42 - Light general effect - No entries

Class 43 - Dark general effect - 3 entries  
1st - Peshawar - Riverdale Iris Gardens  
2nd - Wee Scot - David Sindt  
3rd - Wee Scot - Riverdale Iris Gardens

Class 44 - Bicolor general effect - 2 entries  
1st - Zwanenburg - David Sindt  
2nd - Zwanenburg - Riverdale Iris Gardens  
3rd - None

SECTION VII - Bearded species - 5 entries

Class 45 - *I. pumila* - No entries

Class 46 - *I. aphylla* - 2 entries

1st - None

2nd - *I. aphylla* - Mary Duvall

3rd - *I. aphylla* - Nora Bain

Class - 47 - Other bearded species - 3 entries

1st - *I. reichenbachii* - David Sindt

2nd - *I. balkana* - David Sindt

3rd - *I. subbiflora* - David Sindt

SECTION VIII - Non-bearded - 1 entry

Class 48 - *Apogon* (beardless) - No entries

Class 49 - *Evansia* (crested) - 1 entry

1st - *I. cristata* - Mrs. Dahlgaard

2nd - None

3rd - None

Class 50 - Bulbous - No entries

SECTION IX- Seedlings - 12 entries

Best seedling - Dancing Eyes (G702) (Green Spot x?) - David Sindt  
(Class 52)

Class 51 - Miniature Dwarf Bearded - 3 entries

Blue ribbon - 68-5 (Cloud Fluff x *I. arenaria*) x Lilli Yellow) - Bonnie  
Dunbar (shown by David Sindt and Riverdale Iris Gardens)

Class 52 - Standard Dwarf Bearded - 9 entries

Blur ribbon - Dancing Eyes (G702) (Green Spot x ?) - David Sindt

Blue ribbon - Unnumbered (66-L-1 x Greenspot) - Maybelle Wright

Class 53-55 - IB, Arilbred, others - No entries

SECTION X - Potted Specimens - No entries

Classes 56-58 - MDB, SDB, Pure Arils - No entries

SECTION XI - Artistic - 10 entries

Class 59 - Using other than tall bearded - 10 entries

1st - Mary Duvall

2nd - David Sindt

3rd - Mrs. Don Kuchenbecker

Number of classes in schedule - 59

Number of classes and subclasses with entries in show - 47

Most Blue Ribbons (AIS Silver Medal) - David Sindt (13)

2nd Most Blue Ribbons (AIS Bronze Medal) - Riverdale Iris Gardens (11)

No individual specimen awards given above Section Champion  
(i. e., no Best of Show)

197 exhibits of 123 different varieties and species were shown,  
excluding seedlings and artistic

-47 varieties of Miniature Dwarf Bearded

-56 varieties of Standard Dwarf Bearded

-9 varieties of Intermediate Bearded

-11 varieties in other classifications (Miniature Tall  
Bearded, aril, arilbred, species, crested)

- David Sindt