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From reports of a number of you, your Spring iris season was generally good, except it was a little earlier than usual, there was late cold snaps and unusual weather conditions, but at least the later blooming TBs came through with good bloom. Here in our area, the bloom was exceptionally good, and in our case many of our varieties put up so many bloomstalks that they had little left in the way of plant increase. This was true on a number of seedlings especially.

Now time is here for Fall bloom. You will see the information on our Fall Show and Regional Meeting in another part of this Newscast.

Most of you have heard that Claire and Bill Barr are moving near the end of September to San Diego, California. Their new address will be 12565 Cloudesly Drive, Rancho Bernardo, San Diego, CA 92128. Many of you will probably want to write them and wish them well in their new location. We will MISS them!

Symposium time is here, and the deadline for mailing this in is September 21st. Be sure to vote so that we can have a fair picture of what the favorites are in our Region. Of course, these results are combined with the other Regions to get the National favorites, but we will give a rundown of your favorites in the next Newscast.

I would like to remind our judges that if any of them need additional hours of training to please take advantage of the offer from Region 5 and the Piedmont Carolina Iris Society of Spartanburg. You have the information on reservations for this training on September 21-22. Then, if you can't make that, we will have two 2-hour sessions

at our own fall meeting. We don't want to lose a judge on account of lack of hours' training.

If you have Fall bloom, or you neighbor has, make every to get all blooms possible to our fall show at Falls Church, Virginia, on October 19th. Details of this show and the Schedule appear in this Newscast, and you will receive a separate mailing with further details and reservation information.

This will be the last Newscast with the Browns as editor. Our new editor, beginning with the January 1986 issue, will be Clarence E. Mahan. We appreciate the help which those of you have given during these five years.

Other Board Member changes: Carol Warner has consented to act as Judges Training Chairman for 1986. Helen Rucker is resigning, after many faithful years as Membership Chairman. We have asked some one who would make a good Chairman, but she has not consented to do it at this writing. Also our Photography Chairman resigned last fall, and at this writing we do not have a replacement for him. Our Publicity and Public Relations Chairman has resigned, with no replacement at this time. These are items we will need to consider at the fall Board Meeting. If you have suggestions for any of these positions, please give me the name to present to the Board.

We are looking forward to a good show and fall meeting. Hope to see many of you there.

Sincerely
B. J. Brown

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING, May 16, 1985

Revion IV AIS Board Meeting was held following dinner at Holiday Inn South, Roanoke, Virginia, on Thursday, May 16th, at 8:00 P.M.

B.J.Brown, RVP, Presided.

Helen Rucker, Blue Ridge Chapter Chm., welcomed members to Roanoke.

Fred Stephenson, Chairman of Arrangements Committee gave a preview of Friday's activities.

Treasurer, Brian Lazarus, reported a balance in the treasury of \$3,011.46.

Clarence Mahan explained the D.C.Nearpass Award. This award, subject to regional acceptance, is to be given to the highest quality iris, determined by popular vote, registered and introduced by a Region 4 hybridizer, and seen on regional tours. The award^{is} to be in the form of a fine garden tool and is to be awarded at the Annual Awards Banquet. The C&P Iris Society (Chapter) is to furnish a plate to be placed on the tool.

Motion was made by J.D.Stadler that the Region accept the award. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Brian Lazarus moved that the hybridizer's name as well as number appear on seedlings in test plots. He further cautioned that votes be cast for the iris and not the hybridizer. This motion also carried.

J.D.Stadler, Auctions Chairman, announced that our Spring Auction would take place following dinner on Friday night, May 17th.

Clarence Mahan announced that an auction would be held in Annandale on July 28th. He also told us that the Fall Regional meeting in October is to include a Show. It was agreed that details of fall meeting will be carried in September Newscast, which will be issued as soon after September 1st as possible.

Roy Epperson, Convention Chairman for Eastern North Carolina regional meeting in 1986, asked about the feasibility of holding this meeting on a Thursday and Friday, rather than Friday and Saturday. No agreement was reached, and it is to be left to Eastern N.C. to set exact dates for the 1986 Regional.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Frances Brown,
Acting Secretary

Following dinner on Friday, May 17, 1985, there was a short business meeting at which the following officers were re-elected to serve another year:

RVP - B.J.Brown
Assistant RVP - David Walsh
Secretary - Willa Owens
Treasurer - Brian Lazarus.

After the election, the Spring auction was held. A good selection of rhizomes was offered and interest was excellent.

During the evening the group was entertained by the Lloyd Zurbrigg family. Their program of music was received with a great deal of pleasure and appreciation.

Fred Stephenson announced the judges training to be held at the Garden Center on Saturday A.M.

Frances Brown
Acting Secretary

MY '85 IRIS GARDEN

By Maxine McCall

ROCKY MOUNT, N. C.

I'm sending you a report on the irises that were favorites this year in my garden, in case you need material for the Newscast.

I must begin my list with BEVERLY SILLS (Hager 79). It is such a beautiful pink and one everyone should grow. It is just mouth-watering. BUBBLING OVER (Ghio 82) is very adequately named. It is a glorious sight of ruffles in lavender blue, and the blooms last for 3 or 4 days each. I just love it!

SHEER POETRY (Palmer 79) was another iris that has an abundance of ruffling. It is a beauty to behold in buff, yellow and lavender. WEDDING CANDLES (Schreiner 82) is a very good bloomer for me, and is my daughter's favorite - so pretty in yellow with creamy white standards.

Then there was CONDOTTIERE (Cayeux 78), with light blue standards, medium blue falls - so large and gorgeous, and my precious grandson's favorite. The only iris he didn't like was DAZZLING GOLD (D.C. Anderson 81) - but what does he know - he's only four, and I liked it enough for both of us, with its brilliant gold color brushed red on the falls.

GALLANT MOMENT (Schreiner 80), so tall and full of blooms was my son's favorite. Red is also his favorite color. Then there is DREAM AFFAIR (Gatty 78). Oh my, was it beautiful, with its large wide falls of creamy delight; as was HINT OF LEMON (Powell 76), which was very similar. I couldn't decide which was prettier.

Mrs. Powell's 78 introduction, STRAWBERRY SENSATION is a beautiful strawberry pink. Her GOODLY HERITAGE is a luscious shade in orchid-rose. One I do not have, but have seen in Mrs. Powell's garden the last two years is ST.LOUIS BLUES (Schreiner 78). It gives an abundance of wonderful blue-blue blooms with white patches on the falls.

LACED COTTON (Schreiner 80) is also a beauty in white lace. I also like their PACIFIC MIST (79), although it didn't bloom for me this year. It was great last year in light blue. TIDE'S IN is also a very pretty blue.

SPECULATOR (Ghio) was a lovely rich yellow beaming with brilliance. IRENE NELSON (B. Jones 75) was a stunning iris in red-violet. I also liked LUAU (Ghio 76), a reddish mulberry rose stood tall and lovely.

CABBAGE PATCH KID (Gaulter 84) had just the right amount of lace to make it a beautiful attraction in lavender.

I can't leave out GOLD GALORE (Schreiner 78) with its rich yellow-gold color. Others I liked were ROYAL REGENCY, NAVY STRUTT, DRURY LANE, LEMON MIST, GRAND WALTZ, BIRTHDAY SONG and RUFFLED BALLET.

I just love irises!

Sincerely -

MAXINE McCALL.....

IRISES AT WEYMOUTH
BY Charlotte Gantz

Five years ago I took over the care of irises at our public garden in Weymouth Center, Southern Pines, North Carolina. The place had belonged to James Boyd, a popular writer in the '20s and Mrs. Boyd had a considerable number of old irises - diploid and some early tetraploid TBs. I have been replacing these gradually with modern TBs - a generous donation from the Hoffmeisters was the beginning of that change, while SDBs and IBs came originally from my own garden. Bea Warburton added more SDBs and last summer I had a most welcome gift of MTBs from Dick Sparling. Along the way I have been buying good irises from all the bearded iris classes to give our visitors a fair idea of what modern irises were like, and I have been pleased to find that the word was spreading: "If you want to see what can be done with irises, go to Weymouth!" Next spring I shall trace the whole development of irises (with slides, of course) for one of our principal garden clubs, and other groups are asking to see the program.

I have few TBs that most of our Region isn't familiar with, but I'd like to comment on my Medians.

Dick's Table Irises have made excellent growth, but due to late planting only five bloomed. I was particularly pleased with PANDA, Dunderman's dark purple; but FLASHING BEACON, WHITE CANARY and DANCING GOLD were all very nice. Due to some surgery, I missed PLICTISSIMA. I am looking forward to next year's bloom.

I have little luck with BBs, so only grow two. Am not too fond of BROWN LASSO in spite of its Dykes; WHOOP 'EM UP is flashy, but effective. Of IBs there are

eight, one of which is my INGRID. That doesn't have the form I'd have liked, but was introduced because of its unusual blend of lavender and buff. Five are old favorites: CHEERS, SNOW CHERRIES, SWIZZLE, VOILA and John Taylor's CURLEW. I wouldn't be without any of them, and will never forget the sight of masses of the ruffled yellow CURLEW in John's Kentish garden. Unfortunately it doesn't do well in many parts of our country, but the Sandhills of North Carolina seem to suit it perfectly. RASPBERRY BLUSH and RAINBOW BRIDGE are newer, but good additions.

Twenty-two of my forty SDBs performed in spite of droughts, a record freeze, and the fact that a number ordered last summer were hopelessly small when I got them. Of these 22, 13 rate comment. Five are Bea Warburton's: the pure white LITTLE LAMB; SKY AND SNOW, a reverse blue amoena; SOFT AIR, a soft blend of yellow and white; MEN ONLY, a brown blend; and JENNIE GRACE, a violet and white plicata. Her insistence on good form and proportion have always made many of her irises among my favorites. Others that I particularly like are the whites, COTTON BLOSSOM and ANGEL BABY: DIXIE PIXIE, white with yellow at the haft; the apricot MELON HONEY; the yellow and brown WHEELS, with its violet beard; the flashy red and yellow, WOW; the violet bi-tone, KISTA and the gold, LITTLE HIAWATHA.

Finally, I must mention the aril-breds for which I've always had a special liking, although they don't always perform well, but this year both the aril-med LOUD MOUTH and the aril-bred TB SYRIAN MOON were lovely.

REGIONAL MEETING IN ROANOKE, VA.

Our Regional Meeting in Roanoke, Va., hosted by the Blue Ridge Chapter, with Fred G. Stephenson as General Chairman of the Convention, was a delight to those of us who attended. This meeting showed evidence of much preparation for our comfort. The gardens, although past peak, were still lovely and showed evidence of TLC everywhere.

We gathered in the afternoon and evening of May 16th, 1985 at the Holiday Inn South, where we picked up our registrations. The Welcome Dinner was in the Dining Room of the Motel, and was a Dutch Treat affair.

Following dinner, the Board met in an open meeting, with all members present invited to attend. Minutes of this meeting are elsewhere in this Newscast.

On Friday AM the tour bus left the motel at 8:00.

Our first stop was at "Fairacres" - The Roanoke Garden Center. A special bed of seedlings had been well kept by local iris members, featuring seedlings of our Region 4 hybridizers. This bed was past peak, but still a number of seedlings in bloom. One that seemed to catch a great deal of attention was a light pink under number 1384 of B.J.Brown

The local Chrysanthemum Society was selling rooted cuttings of mum plants, which attracted attention of many of our group.

Next stop - the garden of Rena Crumpler.

THE CRUMPLER GARDEN
J. D. Stadler

One of my favorite visits each year is to the Crumpler garden. Not only is the garden beautiful and full of new and exciting iris, but Rena's gracious hospitality makes it an unforgettable trip.

This year of odd weather had made growing iris an adventure in Roanoke - early warm weather with cold snaps. The season was early and Rena felt her garden not up to par. However "par" here will be a good season in most areas.

Although Rena was not well, she met us with that warm welcoming smile and soon everyone was right at home drifting from one lovely spot to another in this well planned garden.

Some that struck my fancy came from the Mission Bell Gardens (the Hamblens'). Lovely was FRANCES GAULTER (83), pink and violet with lots of ruffles. EXTRAVAGANT (83) stood tall, a reddish violet with good form and ruffles. SONG OF SPRING (83) is a blue violet with good form which I liked. Two pinks from Opal Brown that looked especially good were ELECTRABRITE and FRISCO FOLLIES. The latter one is a light pink and the former is a shocking medium pink. Both introduced in 1983. CLEARFIRE (Stevens 81) gave some very nice red-brown contrast to the above pinks. Dave Niswonger's METALLIC BLUE was a beautiful mid-blue. There were not as many Siberians in bloom this year as last year, but HUBBARD (McEwen 82) is a very nice wine red and MAGGIE SMITH (McGarvey 79) is a nice pink. I want to see these again next year as Rena maintains a regional test garden for Siberians.

There were other things of interest also. Rena had several choice hosta well placed near the house. Other plants blended well with each other. One I failed to get the name of, a low shrub with silver blue foliage like a blue spruce, was outstanding.

Thanks for your hospitality Rena. We will be back soon to see this lovely garden again.

GARDEN OF FRED G. & ADELAIDE STEPHENSON
By Geraldine Davis

At the entrance of the hillside home of Fred and Adelaide Stephenson, we were greeted at a stonewall garden with orange poppies, violet blue delphinium, and pink peonies. Fred shows his love of flowers with many specimens in addition to irises. In the back garden there were coral bells, yellow daisies, and more poppies. The miniature rose garden was also quite a show and the sweet smell of honeysuckle was a bonus.

Now, down to our reason for the tour - the iris garden. Fred explained his "space age" irises by pointing out the three types: the horn, the spoon, and the flounce. He had nicknamed one of his flounces "double-ugly", but it was actually an attractive iris. He plans to introduce one of his horned irises, 79-23, next year. This was a pale chamois with gold markings in the haft and a lavender tint in the horn.

A few of the special things that people mentioned when asked what they thought was outstanding in the garden were a native pseudacorus found near the New River, Blue Ridge Echoes, Buttonwillow, Windsor Rose, and Dusky Evening. My favorite was the Siberian collection with a Four Fold White.

We were given an additional treat with Fred's display of homemade baskets, macrame and splint chair bottoms.

We appreciate Fred and Adelaide's kindness in letting us share their garden.

THE TRENT GARDEN
Libby Dufresne

The January 85 Newscast promised a double treat at the home of Millie and James Trent: that of seeing their beautifully grown iris and a lovely lake vista. This description hardly prepares you for the actual fact: one of the loveliest homes and gardens to be seen anywhere. The house site is on an open sunny point of land overlooking Smith Lake with woods surrounding it on the other three sides. The natural environment has been preserved and enhanced and each direction you looked was more lovely than the last.

Leaving the public road, we walked into a sunny lane with azalea beds to the right and several large iris and peony beds on the left, all surrounded by a split rail fence. Everyone wanted to stop and look at the iris, of course, but we were told that lunch was ready and that we would have plenty of time to examine them later. We walked on down through a shady lane, past a small Japanese garden enclosed in the circular drive, and approached the front of the Trent home. A delicious buffet had been set up and tables were found throughout the house. We went through to a room overlooking the lake and had the added pleasure of talking to several of Millie's "helping" friends who told us more about the Smith Lake area.

After lunch we all took a leisurely walk around the lovely gardens surrounding the house. The pine and hardwood trees were graced with many native dogwoods and other smaller trees and shrubs. Throughout the gardens we noticed many small graceful statues, markers and bird baths and feeders indicating a love of nature and wildlife. Azaleas were seen in abundance and a bed of daylilies were almost ready to start blooming. One shady area had a variety of hostas, each one

labeled as to variety. Leaving the shade of the trees you can walk back into the sun toward the lake, past a bed of peonies backed by hemlock, and approach the dock and boathouse. The lure of water brought everyone out to walk along the dock and rip-rap to view the lake and wooded areas on the opposite shores. A serenely peaceful setting.

Gradually we all assembled at the iris gardens. although this year all of the TB's bloomed early there were still quite a few in bloom during the Regional meeting. This also was a year noted for rather poor growing conditions. Since I am relatively ^{new} at growing iris and this was my first Spring Regional meeting some of the named iris were unfamiliar to me. In each garden of the tour I made a list of the iris I particularly like - just based upon their appearance. Upon returning home I looked up the descriptions of each in the registration books. I found that in each garden I had made a selection of both old and new varieties.

In the Trent garden I had selected GRAND COMMAND (70) and HIGH BID (71), both from the garden of the late H. W. Neubert of Knoxville, Tenn. Two of Frances Brown's (Roanoke) were FAITH AS THIS (70) and FEATURING COLOR (73). Other oldies included SURF RIDER (Tucker 70), ANTIQUE IVORY (Schreiner 72), PEARL CHIFFON (Varner 72), GREEN EYED LADY (Plough 72) and LOUDOUN PRINCESS (Crossman 74)- another one from our own region. SUPERSIMON (Parker 78) is truly a lovely shade of orange and it seems to be quite popular in our area. More recent iris which were in bloom were AMBER BEAUTY (Schreiner 82) and PRETTY LADY (Gatty 82). Another one I liked was labeled GENEROSITY (Keppel 78) but someone in our group more knowledgeable than I said that it was mislabeled. Indeed, at home I found that the description in my notes did not agree with that in the Registration. Anyway,

whatever it was, I like it! One iris was only labeled with a "?", which triggered a remark from someone close by "I have the same problem. If I ever introduce a new iris I will probably have to name it "WHO KNOWS?".

It was interesting to me to observe that almost half of my selections were from our region or from a nearby region with very similar growing conditions. Perhaps most new AIS members in Region 4 are (like me) primarily familiar with iris from Cooley's and Schreiner's. What a treat to attend a Spring Regional and SEE all those beautiful iris in bloom! My eyes have proven to me that in the future I should look for more locally hybridized iris to add to my garden. One problem I never did solve - how to determine which iris were eligible to vote for in the regional awards. I believe many others had the same degree of confusion. Someone finally pointed out the iris in the Trent garden they thought were eligible and I made my selection. What consternation when I found out my choice had been introduced several years ago. This was after I returned home. I now believe that many of us made the same mistake in all of the gardens. Maybe a ribbon on the name plate of those eligible could help those of us who exist in a state of confusion.

It was a distinct pleasure to visit the Trent garden - and the Trents. What a treat it would be to see it again, and in full bloom. You might not want to leave!



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MRS. DAISY HYLTON'S GARDEN
By Ruth Walker

From Smith Mountain Lake we headed back toward Roanoke but not before we stopped at Salem, Va., and the home of Mrs. Daisy Hylton. This most gracious little lady was out to meet us as though she had waited all day for our visit. She beamed with a warm smile of delight and guided us around her garden and pointed out all the different plantings. Her garden was a happy one, showing color everywhere. Around some beautiful big shade trees were dozens of red geraniums in bloom. As we strolled about we saw many plants that did a great job of what we call accompanying each other, ground covers that gave that extra touch.

The lupins were as pretty as any I have ever seen. Just to mention a few of the other plants, there were columbine, orange hybiscus, red and white amaryllis, orange and pink poppies, Lamium Creeper, and a beautiful very old type of geranium with small pretty pink single flowers.

We approached the rose garden and then a wall of tall hemlock trees which separated the iris garden from the rest of the plantings. The iris were very lovely and Daisy was kept busy telling us which one we were looking at. Finally, she said: "Just a minute!" and she disappeared for a short time. When she came back on the scene she had with her a map of her iris beds. The one everyone was wanting to know was SOUTHERN HERITAGE. ENCHANTED WORLD was showing off beautifully, as was NEW MOON, a Dykes '73.

Daisy's garden is very dear to her and it has T L C. I was told that it was time to board the bus for Roanoke, but I

could have stayed there much longer.

Thanks Daisy, I'll come back next year and be on my own so I don't have to hurry!

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Quotes from General Interest - "Ramblin' Robin"

6/7/85: J.S.Stadler, Reidsville, N.C.

The JI are in full bloom. I declare they seem to be more exotic each year. PURPLE PARASOL IS "struttin' it's stuff" - about 40" tall and deep violet..... ENCHANTING MELODY has been my favorite each year. It is a lavender pink.But for growth, beauty, and lots of stalks, the 6 petaled, white, ANYTUS is unequalled. My appreciation for this one grows each year. The tetraploid 3 petaled of McEwen, RASPBERRY RIMMED, was huge and really pretty. It is a slow grower, but has bloomed for the past three years.

6/21/85 Louise C. Smith: Williamsburg, Va.

I had planted about 50 new irises last summer, and hurrah! they did not freeze and heave out of the ground - because I put a brick on top of each of their rhizomes w11 winter and about half of them bloomed despite the hard freeze - and the brick.....

Ltr not dated - July - Dick Sparling, Olney, Md.

I am redoing six of my beds, putting in COMPROM, the byproduct of the Washington, D.C. Sanitation Commission, i.e., sewer sludge treated with wood chips. It is said to be high in nitrogen, but from the looks of the growth in the beds I did last year, it might have just offset the naturally acid soil we have. The growth of the replanted beds has been great.....

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SPRING SEASON 1985 - RETURN TO REGION 6
By Dr. Lloyd Zurbrigg

In Region 4 of AIS, a late spring freeze played havoc with the iris bloom. On April 12th, with the pumilas already in bloom, the thermometer registered 18 degree F. Even the late-blooming tails were affected by such a wallop from the weatherman, and many refused to send up stalks. The damage might have been less, except that the season was a full two weeks early, and several Iris Shows in the Region had to be cancelled.

The season truly began with a visit to J.D.Stadler's garden in Reidsville, N.C. The late freeze had hardly damaged anything here, it appeared. Although the amount of bloom was less, it was still very impressive. Among the iris that appealed most were:

SABRE DANCE - lovely with its superb beards

POST TIME - also still impressively smooth

SONG OF NORWAY - excellent stalks - and
that great beard!

SURF'S UP - blue, tinted violet, with ex-
cellent form

HARLEM HUSSY - very ruffled dark cherry

STAR WARS - did not appeal to me

SPECULATOR - three-star performance!

DUTCH GIRL - a lovely "blue" amoena

CONCH CALL - very pretty pastel "pink"

SOAP OPERA - excellent form, unusual color

TOUCH OF SKY - impressively nice blue

CELESTIAL DREAM (J.D.Stadler) - three-
star performer. Excellent border white,
with a blue rim on the falls. Dependable
also in Radford, Va.

TIDE'S IN - very good ruffled blue

AT MID-DAY (Loleta Powell) - very rich
gold and smooth

SHEER POETRY -superb form and superb, sweet
fragrance

TROPICA - marked simply "GET" - spicy
fragrance

The seedling garden here is always exciting:

G-15-55 (Vanity x Pink Sleigh) very nice pink with excellent pink beards.

H-9-90 (Valentine Roses x Vanity) very good pale pink.

G-3-33 (Spirit O Memphis x Sun City) excellent, very ruffled clean yellow.

J-38-88 (Spirit Of Memphis x Loudoun Cameo) really superb yellow!

H-46-50 (Fresno Frolic x Orange Honey) very smooth orange; open standards.

H-36-08 (Navy Strut x Congo Magic) smooth dark violet, heavily ruffled, the best of several impressive siblings.

Dr. Raymond Smith had invited me to come to Bloomington, Indiana. My schedule allowed me to go the week prior to the National Convention, which proved to be the time of peak bloom in many of the seven Convention gardens that he showed me. There was much nostalgia involved in a return to my university town, and the kind hospitality of Hazel and Raymond.

The Bloomington garden on the AIS tour was the Wampler Garden. Just as impressive as the iris gardens, were the watercolor paintings of the flora indigenous to Indiana, painted by Mrs. Wampler, and ideally framed by her husband. A clump of the white iris EARL ROBERTS was an impressive and fitting memorial to our beloved friend. This iris was produced by Raymond Smith, and was in evidence in several other gardens. FALL FULFILLMENT, also from his hands, was an impressive splash of color in a great clump. Others noted were:

BRIDE'S HALO - unusually large here
DARK TOWN STRUTTER - a fabulous plicata, but only single bud placements
REBECCA ANN (Allen) - appeared to be a superb rival to SONG OF NORWAY
COCKTAIL HOUR (Dunn) - ruffled blue-violet, somewhat bitoned, with white beards
ROCKY MOUNTAIN HIGH - very large white, some

yellow at hafts, excellent substance.

WEDDING CANDLES - Excellent bloom with lots of stalks; long-lasting.

COLOR BURST - Copper standards above lavender falls bordered copper.

DESERT DANCER (Flanigan) - Nice oncobred, orchid with buff-red spot.

Wilkes-Hobbs W 78 EA 1 - a startling arilbred, white standards, yellow falls and red signal spots!

Rowlan 82 5A 23 - light violet with horns that stood up well.

JUDGE MAC (Slade) - a good blue with one super stalk. His STYGIAN NIGHT was also impressive the past two years in Radford.

JEAN HOFFMEISTER (Keppel) - superb, wide blue; but, the stalk had gone over.

COLOR TART - a striking plicata, very showy, but also inclined to go over.

LOYAL DEVOTION (Waltermire) - fairly smooth and ruffled blue.

Kinney 78-12-1 - Superb pink plicata with pure white fall centers and beard of self pink. Nicely ruffled. Impressive in several gardens. However, the branching was high and some buds "toed in".

McFADDEN'S COUNTRY GARDENS (Martinsville,)

SHANDY (Bellagamba) - chamois with gray-lavender tip to each beard.

Hagberg 75-37 - pink standards and border of falls.

PECADILLO - Apricot S, and F same bordered raspberry.

MISSOURI SUNRISE - apricot S over deep orange F, with deep red beards. Small.

EVERYTHING PLUS - very showy and effective. Palest violet S; white F marked with deep violet tips to the beards.

MOUNTAIN ROSE - rich color and good form, but only five buds.

GRACE THOMAS - BEAUTIFULLY RUFFLED YELLOW
KEYNOTE - 4 flowers open and lots of buds!
 Blue-bearded cool white.
ACTRESS - older orchid that showed off with the
 best of the new ones.
MISTY DAWN - another with tremendous stalk -
 4 & terminal, with lots of buds; pink S over
 orchid falls.
SUN CIRCLE - a very bright yellow.
COLOR CODED (Rawlins) - a showy thing here and
 everywhere, a smooth neglecta.
HIGHFALUTIN' - a very big ruffled orchid.

WINTON GARDENS (Franklin)

This lovely hilltop garden had suffered
great wind-damage. It was here that
MISS KATIE began to demand attention. This yellow
amoena from Marge Soules is not a show stalk,
but in every garden it was standing proud
with lots and lots of stalks, and a good con-
trast between the white S. and yellow F.

EARL ROBERTS was again an impressive clump of
white.

BLACK FLAG (Stahly) - tall, and quite black!
PARK LAND (Bob Brown) - huge, white-white; I
liked it greatly.

MIMI - a nice, wide pink.

BLACK SEARGENT - also very black, but a bit
top-branched here.

VERNA CLARK - a pink with an attempt at a
blue beard.

SULTAN'S JEWELRY - a show aril-bred in yellow,
with somewhat diffuse red signals. This one
seemed to grow well.

ABRIDGED VERSION - "tons of bloom".

David Payne-Joyce "Obix Beta" - a startling
bicolor in pink and purple with horns.

SUBTLE ANNOUNCEMENT - very impressive pastel,
like a pink PEARL CHIFFON.

MIDNIGHT HOUR - deep violet with excellent
form that had weathered the storm well.

WEDDING CANDLES - again very good.

BLUE BROOK - much like SONG OF NORWAY.
AACHEN ELF - MTB, with lots of bloom.

STAM GARDEN (Columbus)

I have seldom seen iris grown as well as here, in spite of some bare spots. Space was at a premium, so the varieties were very close together; yet they seemed to flourish. Rosalie had several customers, yet she came to our aid with information innumerable times, and we greatly appreciated this kindness.

STARRING ROLE - an old favorite of mine, was still in a starring role!

SUMMER OLYMPICS (Raymond Smith) - not in bloom, but showing that it is an excellent grower.

STUNNING - my first viewing of this variety, and it is a truly stunning amoena.

LILAC THRILL - lovely!

BEVERLY SILLS - great!

SUN WORSHIPPER - great color!

RINGO - another stunning amoena, but not as clean-hafted as STUNNING.

SYMPHONETTE - open S., but telling rose-salmon color.

CONDOTTIERE - I'd been on the lookout for this one, but was a little disappointed; a bitoned blue with red beards.

SOUTHLAND GRAPE - excellent grape fragrance in this tall iris.

TOWERING INFERNAL - reddish luminata that is well named. May need staking.

SAND PRINCESS (MTB) - Fabulous amount of bloom.

WALTZING PRINCESS - a very nice pink plicata.

TIDE'S IN - a great grower and a nice blue.

EDGE OF WINTER - excellent stalks, reverse violet bitone.

KUZA NAMA - an aril-bred doing just great here.

BIG VALLEY (Hager) - super-wide and on good stalks; fair otherwise.

CORAL CHARMER (Horace Wright) - this giver of summer and fall rebloom was looking quite good here.

POPS CONCERT - one of the very few I rated four-star.

PORT APACHE - a really good red, but has some haft markings.

FLORAL ROSE - a nice rose color.

SPECTACULAR BID - rich and very smooth tailored dark red. Twisty S.

BLUE BROOK and SONG OF NORWAY were close together. I still prefer SON OF NORWAY, but would buy BLUE BROOK if it will bloom better.

TOUCH OF SKY - excellent color, excellent blue.

VICTORIA FALLS - blooming well here; for me it gets too tall and goes over.

SOULES GARDEN (Indianapolis)

We were met at the entrance by MISS KATIE and, appropriately, EARL ROBERTS. Beautiful clumps of these two iris made an impressive "Hi, there" salute. Elsie Zuercher was in charge of the greater part of the iris garden, and had just "escaped" from the hospital to be amid her beloved iris blossoms. Marge Soules had not seen me in years, but gave an immediate, warm Indiana welcome. Among the many noteworthy blooms in this garden was ELZEE, a gingerbread brown plicata named in honor of Elsie Zuercher. There were a lot of new ones here, and some good older ones vying with them for our notice.

Nichols 83-90-A - reverse violet amoena, tall with excellent branching.

RED REWARD - very showy and very clean.

Carr 74-70-C - The biggest, widest white imaginable.

WALTZING PRINCESS (Simon)

SPIKED PUNCH (W.Moores) - Fancy red plicata, very showy.

Simon 18-36-22 - a truly lovely pink.

BLACK SEARGENT - triple-socketed here and nearly black.

TOWERING INFERNO - very tall and showy, but also not growing too sturdily.

PORCELAIN BALLET - super texture, very smooth, red-bearded coral "blend".

Robt. Jeffries J 79-1-MU - Perhaps the best all-round clump seen. There were 10 stalks bearing smooth blue-violet flowers with red beards.

BETTER MORE REFRESHING - very close to green, with dark violet beards.

Simon 46-48-1 - another excellent pastel peach-pink from this hybridizer.

GIGOLO - perhaps the most striking flower seen! A bit top-branched, but the plicata markings on a bright orange background are stunning, if not refined.

TOMORROW'S CHILD (Blyth) - Great color contrast here.

DRUM SOLO (BB) - very black falls!

AACHEN ELF - again simply covered with bloom! A fine MTB.

PRIMROSE LOVER (Spahn) - a terrific yellow, though not wide.

NOBLE GENTRY (Kegerise) - ruffled violet, solid and good.

Aitken 79-18 - very smooth bicolor with orange S. and copper-red F and cark beard. It had little branching here.

Kuchta 168 was a wide, wide smooth red with fair branching.

DAWN CASCADE - a pale blue-white MTB with lots of bloom.

TINY BUBBLES (BB)(Spahn) - ruffled orchid self, well-laced.

CORAL EYES (BB) - smooth pink with good branching.

FOUR LEAF CLOVER - a truly excellent yellow.

SURF'S UP - smooth violet-blue.

SKY HOOKS - surely not the correct thing; I disliked it very much.

SYMPHONETTE - excellent again; white patch in F

FRESNO FLASH - splendid color but poorish form.

SMOOTH TALK - an excellent grower, orange-pink, in a nice clump.

HOBBS GARDEN (Noblesville)

A very welcome feature of this garden was the "antique" iris planted right in the midst of things, so that one could judge constantly the progress made by our hybridizers in the past thirty years.

BRANDY - blend, with brown beards and fuffed edges.

HILLBILLY HEAVEN - huge, ruffled pink with white-centered falls. Short.

LOVELY KAY - a very impressive terminal first bloom.

Nichols 8388 D - very clean amoena in red-brown, and with good branching.

Winton W 79-13 - excellent laced white.

Innerst 1839-6 - smooth lavender with terrific deep violet beards! Four stars!

WINTERSCAPE - WIDE, laced and ruffled blue-white with blue beards. 5 buds. This is a much more romantic iris than Song of Norway.

TOMORROW'S CHILD again commanded attention with tinted S and satin-finished dark rose F.

Shoop 79-32 - a high quality pink with superb branching, substance, size and ruffling.

CURIOSUS YELLOW - so bright it actually glows! Ruffled, but still rather strappy F.

WILD JASMINE - a refined variegata-plicata, with fancy-patterned F. marked brown.

WHO-EE (Stevens) - Brownish blend with brown beard, the S and edge of F lighter. This was one of the most striking iris seen.

BLAZING SUNRISE - a pink amoena with excellent contrast in color. Flowers a bit small and sparse, but a really terrific clump!

SATURNALIA - huge lavender variegata.

ROBERTA SCHIRADO -smooth orchid-lavender with excellent branching. The standout features are great hairy horns. I prefer spoons or flounces.

Simon 75-28-1 a pure pink with great carrying quality.

PINK BUBBLES - for the first time I really liked this fine border iris.

PIXIE PRINCE - another border iris in deepest pink; terrific!

VISUAL ARTS - very impressive laced lilac of huge proportions. Going over here.

DISTANT FIRE - Very good red with pleasing fragrance.

MAN FROM RIO - another Schreiner red with better branching, but I prefer the above.

LOVE FLIGHT - another good novelty, being creamy-buff with deep violet-blue beards, and good growth.

ROSEMARY'S DREAM (Dunderman) - neat well-formed plicata, with rose S and white F bordered rose. Lots of blooms on this fine MTB.

TIMELESS MOMENT - huge! great contrast!

Slightly out of proportion.

ROYAL REGENCY - looking almost as good as any any new variety.

QUIET KINGDOM - another older variety, a blue, looking very good indeed.

LAND O' LAKES - another big blue, very wide and full.

LIEBESTRAUM - orange-pink with white in F. Great color!

CLARKE GARDEN

VISUAL ARTS - a real WOW again, but again seemed to need stakes.

David Spence "Obix Beta" - a nice pink with feathery purple horns!

The Hollingsworth Siberians were the outstanding feature of this fine garden.

Hollingsworth E3C18 was a stunning rose-magenta of sterling quality and different.

JAMAICAN VELVET - the styles and standards make a cup! Charming!

DAZZLING GOLD - showing off at a great rate, but only four buds!

Hollingsworth A5C2 was a deep magenta Siberian. I am sorry not to know the correct spelling of this new hybridizer's name.

Others I liked here were: AN JAN,
CURIOS YELLOW, PINK BUBBLES, DAWN GLORY.

Perhaps my favorite here was:

Nichols' LATIN HIDEAWAY. It is a very smooth
and different amoena, with pale orchid S and
red-violet F.

EARL HALL GARDENS

On my way to and from the Convention gardens,
I stopped at the home of Dorothy and Earl Hall,
near West Alexandria, and Dayton, Ohio. Earl is
working for reblooming iris for the North, and
is making great progress of late. Among the
named varieties here I noted:

ORANGE CELEBRITY - fantastic color and clean.

FLAMING VICTORY - yellow with red-orange
beards. Wow!

AMBROSIA DELIGHT - good color contrast with
fair branching.

WINDSURFER - excellent grown and stalks. Blue.

STRATEGY - good, solid dark violet

AUTUMN HEIRESS - lovely flowers, but poorish
growth here.

LITTLE PINKABLOO - a border bearded with
much personality.

AZ AP - an IB just crowded with blooms.

MULLED WINE - open S, but rich coloe, and
five stalks on one rhizome!

TRICK OR TREAT - nice dark iris with spoons.

Earl has been using CORAL CHARMER and
QUEEN DOROTHY a lot in his search for early
reblloom for the North. The former he had crossed
with VANITY, and some of the seedlings were very
high in quality. Similarly, he had crossed
QUEEN DOROTHY with EARL OF ESSEX, and several
were almost the equal in width and form of
that pollen parent. The outstanding seedling
was a huge, very heavy substanced white with
some yellow in the fall. This derived from a
sibling of IMMORTALITY. If this proves to be a
reblloomer, it will set many records.

Earl also had a line of blue seedlings derived from Raymond Smith's breeding. They had yet to develop good reblooming characteristics, but the color was great.

So, although the spring season was a disappointment here in Virginia, it was very good in Ohio and Indiana, and it was wonderful to be able to visit there. One that I failed to mention above, seen in Indiana, was CODICIL, a clever name for a different iris. The light violet color is not so different, but the very dark violet beards - almost black to these eyes - made an immediate impression; and the stalks and branching and other characteristics seem flawless. This one comes from Sterling Innerst of Dover, PA. My thanks to all the gardeners who grew so many hundreds of iris for the Convention; it was a great pleasure to see them at peak bloom, and to meet the gardeners, and to return to Region 6 for a few glorious days!

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"Ramblin' Robin" Quotes continued: - from page 16

7/26/85 McLean, Va., Clarence Mahan.

The clearest purest pink I have ever seen in a JI comes in the flower of YUHI, one that we imported from Japan last year. It is a smaller JI, 6 petals; the petals are soft pink at the edge suffused with white toward the center.....Another lovely pinkish JI is SAKURANO MIYA (a literal translation of this name would, I think, be "Temple of Cherry Blossoms").....My best performing Siberian was probably KISMET - great branching, bud count, vigor and beauty.....

8/15/85 - Alma Childers, Hamlin, WV -

Libby, you plant may be the Walking Iris, or Twelve Apostles plant. Their flowers are on the ends of leaves that grow out long. It is not hardy. Mine are grown as house plants. . The normal bloom time is Feb. and March.....

"Ramblin'" - continued on page 33

CHESAPEAKE AND POTOMAC
IRIS SOCIETY
IRIS SHOW
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1985
1:30 - 5:00 P.M.
FALLS CHURCH INN, 6633 ARLINGTON BLVD
FALLS CHURCH, VIRGINIA

SHOW SCHEDULE - CLASSIFICATIONS:

SECTION A - Specimen Classes - Tall Bearded
Group 1 - selfs 4. - blends
Group 2 - bitones 5. - plicatas & fancies
Group 3 - bicolors 6. - multicolored
 Group 7. - Any other

SECTION B - OTHER BEARDED IRISES
Group 1. miniature dwarf
Group 2. standard dwarf
Group 3 - inter mediates
Group 4 - border
Group 5 - miniature tall
Group 6 - Any other.

SECTION C - SIBERIAN IRISES

Section D - Louisiana Irises

Section E - Bulbous Irises

Section F - Any other Types of Irises

Section G - Collection Classes
Group 1 - three stalks - one variety
Group 2 - three stalks - all different

SECTION H - Seedlings

SECTION I - Nameless Favorites (Exhibition
only - no awards).

GENERAL RULES AND INFORMATION

1. Anyone may enter this show.
2. Entries will be received from 8:00 to
10:15 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 19, 1985 at

Falls Church Inn. No entries will be accepted after 10:15 a.m. Exhibitors MUST leave the floor by 10:30 a.m.

3. Exhibits must remain in place until 5 p.m.
4. Judging will begin at 11 a.m. Only authorizes personnel will be allowed in the exhibition area during judging.
5. Judging standards are those of the American Iris Society. Decisions of the Judges are final.
6. This is a varietal/cultivar show, staged according to type and general color in the various sections and groups. Each variety constitutes a separate class and must be named, except SECTION I. Seedlings should be entered under number or name.
7. Division, Section, and Group numbers and name of variety (number or name in Seedling Section) must appear on the entry card to be prepared by the exhibitor. Entry cards may be obtained from any officer of the Society.
8. All entries must be grown by the exhibitor.
9. The Show Committee reserves the right to remove or refuse an exhibit that, in their opinion, is in poor condition or misnamed. The Show Committee may combine, subdivide, or create classes as necessary.
10. Exhibitors may enter ONLY ONE STALK OF A VARIETY in Single Specimen and Seedling Sections, but may enter any number of varieties. Members of a family may exhibit from the same garden, but only one person may exhibit specimen stalks from any one named cultivar from any one garden.

11. - Containers will be furnished by the Show Committee.
12. All classes, except Section H & I, are open only to varieties that have been registered with the AIS and introduced (species and natural hybrids excepted).
13. All classes will be judged by AIS Accepted Judges. Section I will not receive official AIS ribbons.
14. Miniature Dwarf irises should be displayed with the entire plant potted.
15. EXHIBITORS are requested by the Awards Committee to bring an alphabetical list of their entries. This will expedite the paperwork necessary for determining awards.

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EASTERN N. C. CHAPGER
James H. Ritchie

The Eastern N.C. Chapter iris auction was held at the home of Virginia and Roy Epperson, on June 29, 1985, in High Point.

They were gracious hosts and the fellowship was great even though the number of members attending the meeting was small.

Upon arriving and while parking our cars, we could see beautiful daylilies and other flowers through the wire fence. So after greeting and a cup of coffee, we were drawn into the yard for a closer look at the flowers. There were daylilies, many just recently introduced. There were all kinds of flowers growing in interestingly arranged beds. But what really caught the eyes of everyone was the row of beautiful hostas growing next to the back wooden fence. To one side were rows of irises, now dormant, but I am sure they were a beautiful sight two months ago.

Then we heard the call "come and eat". We had a most delicious covered dish meal. Everyone forgetting about their dieting resolution.

During the business meeting, we decided that Roy Epperson would be given money to buy and grow some irises for our auction next summer. Also some preliminary plans were made concerning our having the Regional Spring meeting in 1986. The date of Nov. 2, 1985 was set for our fall meeting, and it will be held at the home of Polly Price in Summerfield, N.C. We were reminded that the N.C. Iris Society auction will be held July 13, at the home of J.D. Stadler in Reidsville, N.C.

Following the business meeting we had our auction. There were iris rhizomes, hostas, daylilies and several perennial plants. Most of the irises sold were introduced in 1981, 1982 or 1983. Our treasury was enriched by \$154.00 from the auction.

We were happy to have our visitor, Mrs. Edith T. Overman, from Pleasant Gardens to visit with us.

FSK CHAPTER REPORT. - May 16, 1985

Our February board meeting laid plans for the entire year. We enjoyed a luncheon on Saturday, April 20th at the home of Alice Miller in Towson, Md., and enjoyed a record attendance. Guest speaker was Mary Ellen Bay, Interior Designed and Landscape critic. Her topic "Landscaping, Iris and You" was well presented.

Schedules for our show on June 1st were distributed and final plans discussed. (This show had to be canceled on account of early bloom in the area.

The annual rhizome sale was plant for July 13th at Watsons' garden Center.

Our fall meeting date was confirmed for October 26th., at the Engineers' Club in downtown Baltimore.

FSK has accepted the challenge to host the 1988 Spring Regional.

As in many previous years FSK hopes to enjoy a summer picnic.

8/7/85: Announcement of picnic to honor the Barrs, on September 7, 1985 at Maywood, summer home of Retta and Maynard Harp. Special invitations to many throughout the region was issued. Friends and guests are welcome. Let's make this a happy and memorable occasion.

Owings Rebert, Chapter Chairman.

Note: By the time you get this Newscast, we hope this was a happy and memorable occasion.

CHESAPEAKE AND POTOMAC IRIS SOCIETY REPORT
BY Clarence Mahan

On April 14, 1985, C&P members met at River Farm. Ray Rogers gave an outstanding program on how to groom and show irises. Ray used his own slides to illustrate techniques of grooming, and members found the program highly educational. Unfortunately, members did not get an opportunity to practice the techniques they learned at a C&P Iris Show because the show had to be canceled as a result of the extremely early bloom season this year.

On May 26th the Mahans' held an "open garden", and C&P members and guests enjoyed the informal meeting and socializing attendant to this event.

The annual C&P sale and auction was held on July 28th at Green Spring Farm Park. Attendance was quite good, and donations were generous. At a brief meeting at this event, President Sparling appointed a Nominations Committee and Program Committee. Dr. Nearpass announced that he is participating in a project being conducted to develop a sex lure for the iris borer. Other members were asked to volunteer their gardens for use in testing the experimental iris borer sex lure that has been developed. It was decided that the September meeting would be a picnic at River Farm.

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"Ramblin'" Robin quotes continued -From page 27
8/5/85: Libby Dufresne -

My other project this year was in growing some other types of iris from seed I got through SIGNA. One package was mixed laevigatas. I presumed not all would germinate - but I ended up with 18 dozen plants! I transplanted them and have lost a few.....I'll let you know in a couple of years how they turn out.

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AUCTIONS AND AWARDS

J. D. Stadler

The 1985 Spring Meeting was held in Roanoke this year with a number of seedlings in bloom. George Crossman won the Bobbie Lee Evans Award for best seedling with his #8319, in very close voting.

Our brand new award for best introduced variety by Region 4 hybridizer went also to George Crossman for LOUDOUN ROYAL. The award was a brand new Spade presented by the C & P Iris Society (Chapter).

Congratulations George on your fine work.

The Spring Auction cleared \$334.00. Thanks to donations from Clarence Mahan, B.J. and Frances Brown, Brian Lazarus, Fred Stephenson, J.D.Stadler and Dr. Lloyd Zurbrigg.

The Spring auction was a success, but at this point, I do not have any donations for the fall beardless auction. I anxiously await a flood of letters and phone calls swamping me with donations!!!

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8/16/84 Ruby Buchanan - Winston-Salem, N.C.

Libby, I think you will be surprised at the variety of flower forms and colors to be found in the laevigata irises. With 18 doz. plants the variety could be enormous. Do try Siberians - I love them best. I never thought that I'd ever have more irises than I had any use for - but some of the pods which I neglected to remove before cutting the SI soliage, and versicolor, have scattered seedlings throughout the garden. Pseudacorus and tridentata have taken over in their area..

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The Ramblings of the Ramblin' Robin stop here.....

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ROBIN QUOTES FROM "THE WILD ONES" - Species
and Non-Bearded irises.

7/17/85 - Clarence Mahan, McLean, Va.

The last JI bloom from Dancing Waves faded two days ago. Thus it has been a month and a half that we have had JI's in bloom. The first to bloom this year was SAKURAJISHI on June 1st and this most excellent iris was not without bloom the entire month of June.

7/3/85 - B.J.Brown, Charlotte, N.C.

My favorite of all these (JI) was a new planting of FRECKLED GEISHA (Reid 81) which she describes as a ruffled white with hairline edge of maroon, all sprinkled with mauve and wine freckles - Outstanding!

7/22/85 - Carol Warner, Upperco, Md.

The best SI here was ANN DASCH. It is a two year plant, purchased from Calvin Helsley, and bloomed at least 25 stalks. Being both early and tall helps catch attention.

8/11/85 Wyatt LeFever, Kernersville, N.C.

The seedlings of my cross of I.versicolor x I. laevigata are growing strongly and clumping in several different sites - quite easy to grow. Should bloom next season! I can hardly wait to see if it is really an interspecific cross.

6/5/85 - Alma Childers, Hamlin, WV

I.tridentata must be hardy - it survived the cold last winter so I set the potted one in the ground. It looks better - has a better color.

8/2/85 - Virginia Rowland, Goose Creek, S.C.

I have a sea of Japanese Iris seed pods.... I wanted Muffled Drums on Dappled Dragon; no take. Dappled Dragon has two fat bee pods. Isn't that impudent of her?

EXHIBITION COMMITTEE REPORT

The following fully accredited shows were presented in the Region during the Spring.

On May 3, with B.J.Brown as Chairman, the Charlotte, N.C. show was held in the Eastland Mall. Seventeen exhibitors entered 249 specimens.

MASTER TOUCH, exhibited by Elizabeth Farrar won Best Specimen of Show.

Seedling #3685 originated and exhibited by B.J.Brown won Best Seedling of Show.

Silver Medal Certificate for most blue ribbons was won by Katharine Steele with 28 blue ribbons; Bronze Medal Certificate for second most blue ribbons was won by Elizabeth Farrar.

Best Design of the Section was won by Dr. John Dunn, who also won the Artistic Sweepstakes.

Special Bronze Certificate for Outstanding Educational Exhibit was won by Katharine Steele on her attractive display on growing Siberian Irises.

On May 4th, with Fran Cline as Show Chairman, the Cabarrus Iris Society held their show in the Carolina Mall, Concord, N.C. Thirty-three exhibitors entered 189 specimens.

PEACHTREE, exhibited by Audrey Cline won best of show. (An interesting thing about this specimen was that it was exhibited in the Charlotte show on the 3d of May; the exhibitor saw its potential, picked it up at closing time in Charlotte, entered it in the Concord Show, and, with 3 open blooms (2 in charlotte) it won Best of Show).

Seedling #4180, originated and exhibited by B.J.Brown, won Best Seedling of Show.

Silver Medal Certificate for most blue ribbons was won by Nancy Karriker with 20 blues; Bronze Certificate was won by Sara Karriker with 15 blue ribbons

On May 11, with Dr. E. Roy Epperson as Show Chairman, the Eastern N.C. Chapter sponsored a show held in the Holly Hill Mall, Burlington N.C. Eight exhibitors entered 95 specimens.

MASTER TOUCH, exhibited by Mrs. Becka Powers won Best Specimen of Show.

Seedling J-50-50, Siberian, originated and exhibited by J.D. Stadler, won the Best Seedling award.

The Silver Medal Certificate for most blue ribbons was a Tie between Dr. E. Roy Epperson and J.D. Stadler, with 20 blue ribbons and 2 reds.

The Bronze Certificate for second most blue ribbons was won by Alice Bouldin with 10 blues.

On May 18, with Mrs. Flossie Nelson as Show Chairman, the Carolina Mountains Iris Society sponsored a show held in the Blue Ridge Mall, Hendersonville, N.C. Seventeen exhibitors entered 130 specimens.

WARM LAUGHTER, exhibited by John C. Laughter won Best Specimen of Show.

The Silver Medal Certificate was won by Joe & I.V. Summey with 19 blue ribbons. The Bronze Certificate for second most blue ribbons was won by Jeanne Grundies with 8 blue ribbons.

The Best Design in that Section was won by Frances B. Heath

Special Bronze Certificate for an Outstanding Education Exhibit was won by Lavada Reese.

In the Youth Section of this show 7 exhibitors entered 27 specimens.

MOUNT OLYMPUS, exhibited by Eric Nelson won Best Speciman of Youth Division.

Silver Certificate for most blue ribbons was won by Amanda Neighbors with 7 blue ribbons; Bronze Certificate was a tie between Eric and Michelle Nelson with 6 blues each and 1 red each.

Best design in Youth Division was won by Hope Reese.

On May 19 the Marydel Chapter of Region 4 sponsored a show in Easton, Maryland. Twenty-five exhibitors entered 88 specimens.

CRANBERRY ICE, exhibited by Happy Tupling won Best Specimen of Show.

Silver Certificate for most blue ribbons was won by Hattie Curry with 4 blue ribbons. Bronze Certificate was won by Robert Hartge.

Best Design of that Section was won by Mildred MacVein.

The Youth Division of this show had 5 exhibitors with 15 entries.

I. Pseudacorus, exhibited by Chuck Blann won Best Specimen of Youth Division.

Silver Certificate was won by Chuck Blann with 3 blue ribbons; while the Bronze certificate was won by Bryan Blann with two blues.

John Windsor won Best Design in that Division of Youth Section, while Artistic Sweepstakes went to Todd Windsor.

On May 25th, with Roger Glasshoff as Show Chairman, the Frederickson-Richmond Chapter of Region 4 sponsored a show held in Spotsylvania Mall, Fredericksburg, Virginia. Eight exhibitors entered 64 specimens.

RED DAZZLER (LA) exhibited by Clarence Mahan won Best Specimen of Show.

Silver Certificate for most blue ribbons was won by Clarence Mahan with 15 blue ribbons. Bronze Certificate was won by Mr & Mrs Roger Glasshoff with 2 blue ribbons and 3 red (red ribbons were counted in breaking tie).

Mrs. Ferris B. Wolfe won Best Design Award in that Division.

(This Chapter is to be commended for holding their show at the date set, and although late and possibly fewer specimens to enter the show, it was well received by the people of the Spotsylvania Mall of Fredericksburg. CONGRATULATIONS!)

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

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