



Clara B. Rees Iris Society - Fleur de Lis

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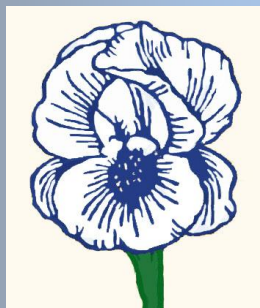
Meeting Place:

First Baptist Church
17765 Daves Avenue
Los Gatos, CA 95030

Next Meeting:

Friday Jan 6, 2012
7:30 P.M.

Doors open at 7:00 P.M.



Club Membership Dues

**Sep 1, 2011—
Aug 31, 2012**

Adults \$12.00

No charge for children
age 18 and under

January Meeting

I am pleased to announce that Mike Mace has agreed to be our speaker for the January 6, 2012 meeting. Prepare to learn more about the iridaceae family. Mike is a long time respected member of international geophyte societies. His article about *Moraea* appeared in the most recent AIS bulletin. Bring your friends and invite members of other Iris societies to join us for this informative meeting. Doors open at 7:00 P.M.; meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. The program will be first and will include slides.

—Carolyn Craft, CBRIS Vice President

Jill McGraw

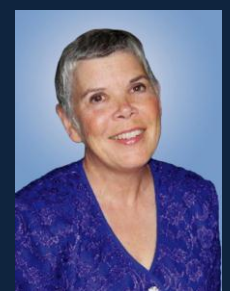
Jill McGraw passed away on December 18th. There will be a Memorial service on Saturday, January 14 at 2:00 P.M. at Guadalupe Oak Grove Park in San Jose. Parking is very limited so you may want to carpool if you plan on attending. Jill was our club president from September 2007 until September 2009. As our current president, Mary Collins says "I'm sure that we all have fond memories of Jill--she contributed a lot to CBRIS and will be missed."



Dee Jamhour and Jill McGraw



Marlene Wyley, Elaine Fischer,
Jill McGraw & Georgina Clark



Jill McGraw

After a courageous 3-year battle with cancer, Jill passed away peacefully on December 18th. Jill will forever be remembered by her adoring sisters Terri, Sarah and Janet, beloved children Amy, Paula and Jennifer along with her treasured grandchildren Autumn and Myra. Jill touched the lives of many people with her timeless smile, big heart and green thumb.

Friends and family are invited to attend a memorial service Saturday, January 14th, 2012, 2:00 pm at Guadalupe Oak Grove Park in San Jose to commemorate and remember her life. In lieu of flowers and at the family's request, memorial donations may be made to the Welsh American Society of Northern California - www.wasnc.org, the Clara B. Rees Iris Society - www.cbris.org or the Hospice of the East Bay - www.hospiceeastbay.org. We will keep her in our hearts, remembering her always as our endearing sister, mother, grandmother and friend.

—Published in San Jose Mercury News/San Mateo County Times on December 25, 2011



**Happy New Year
Clara B. Rees!**



Minutes

December 2, 2011

Minutes of the Clara B. Rees Iris Society's general meeting

President Mary Collins called a short business meeting to order during the Christmas party. She announced the December birthdays and then reminded the members that names for the Spring Show are still being sought. She noted that Valda Evans was going to host a one-hour work party at Guadalupe Gardens on December 7, 2011 at 1:00 P.M. The meeting was adjourned and the door prize iris drawing was held.

Respectfully Submitted,
 –Barbara Pesek, CBRIS Secretary

December Meeting

Another fantastic Christmas party was held in December by the Clara B. Rees Iris Society. The club members shared their wonderful food dishes and the club supplied a turkey and a ham. Mikey's grandsons decorated the tree for the church and it was more beautiful than ever. The gift exchange was held at the end of the evening. Two lucky club members were fortunate to win the two beautiful wooden iris bowls that Jim Laflin made. I won't mention their names but I did see big happy smiles on John Stremel and Mikey Lango! Our thanks go to Carolyn Craft for organizing this annual event.



Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's Report for Jan 2012

Beginning Balance:	\$12,737.96
Expenses:	
Stamps	(17.60)
Table Covers for party	(17.31)
Turkey	(28.92)
Income:	
Dues	36.00
Dinner Guests	10.00
Ending Balance:	\$12,720.13

–Carol Dahout, CBRIS Treasurer

Refreshments for January

Valda Evans
Philippa Alvis

Two more volunteers are needed.
Please call Georgina
at 408-269-3626.

Health Update

Margie Dickerson is having surgery this Wednesday and another next week. If you would like to send her a card her address is 2430 Pomace Court, Fremont, CA 94539. Many of our favorite recipes come from Margie. Our club members enjoy her pottery and her glass jewelry.

–Carolyn Craft, CBRIS VP



April 2012

April 2012 will be a very busy month for CBRIS club members and Region 14. The **Clara B. Rees Spring Show** will be held at Westgate Mall, 1600 Saratoga Avenue, San Jose, California on **April 14-15, 2012**. The name has not been decided upon as of yet. This is a great opportunity for club members and other local iris growers to show off their best iris stalks. The more entries the better!

There is the 2012 National Convention, '**Cali-Zona Gold**' being held **April 16 to April 21** in Ontario, California. Registration is \$299.00 if sent in by February 1, 2012. This fee includes bus transportation to all gardens; admission, tour, breakfast and lunch at The Huntington; Judges Training and lunch at the gardens plus the Dinner and Awards banquet. A registration form can be found in the November CBRIS newsletter or online at <http://www.region15ais.org/convention/registration/2012%20AIS%20National%20Convention%20Registration%20Form.pdf>.

The 2012 AIS National Headquarters will be at the DoubleTree Hotel at Ontario Airport, 222 North Vineyard Avenue, Ontario, CA 91764; Telephone 909-937-0900, Fax 909-937-1900, Reservations 1-800-222-Tree

AIS Rate is \$125.00 plus taxes (please mention AIS 2012 convention, code word 'AIS2012' by March 15, 2012)

— <http://www.region15ais.org/convention/hotel>

Region 14's Spring Regional. '**Iris by the Sea**', will be held in Aptos on **April 27 to April 29th**. This Regional will be hosted by the Monterey Bay Iris Society. You will find a registration form near the end of this newsletter. Please return it and your registration fee of \$125.00 before April 1, 2012.

The conference hotel is the Best Western Seacliff Inn, 7500 Old Dominion Ct, Aptos, California, 95003-3807, Phone: 831/688-7300. Ask for the MBIS discount rate, group #1146. This discount is available through March 29, 2012 unless the hotel fills.

—http://www.aisregion14.org/pdfs/sp2012_registration

CBRIS Web Page Update

Two great links about Louisianas have been added to our website links page, www.cbris.org. Check out our site when you have the time.

—Peter Marra, CBRIS Webmaster

CBRIS members so appreciate Peter updating us in the computer world!



January 2012 Door Prize List

- △ **Ancient Charm** (Kerr 11) 40", M-L. S. medium apricot; F. maroon with lighter edge, with a ¼" to ½" wide pinkish gray band. Red-orange beards. Large ruffled and laced flowers on tall stalks with great branching.
- △ **Battle of the Bands** (M. Sutton 11) 34", E-M-L & re. S. yellow with pale cream edges; F. white sunburst around yellow beards that blends into violet; band on edge of falls is violet blue on upper half and yellow brown on the bottom half. 7 buds.
- △ **Boundless** (M. Sutton 10) 35", E-M-L & re. S. yellow; F. white with ¾" violet blue rim. Excellent branching with 9 buds, sweet fragrance and late fall rebloom.
- △ **Cardinal Rule** (Ghio 11) 36", M-L. Claret red self. Brassy beards, well branched and budded.
- △ **Chocolate** (L. Painter 11) 34", E-M-L. Chocolate brown plicata with cream base and hints of lemon. S. widely banded chocolate with solid center line; F. darker reddish chocolate edge with dotting toward inside. Broken center stripe. Antique gold beards. Ruffled form, sweet fragrance, 7 plus buds.
- △ **Dance Til Dawn** (T. Johnson 11) 36", M. S. golden yellow; F. golden yellow with white centers. Tangerine to yellow beards, strong growth, show branched stalks.
- △ **Definition** (M. Sutton 11) 32", E-M & re. S. yellow green; F. 5 colors; yellow shoulders that meld into plum, then violet blue. White zone around the yellow beards bleeds into the violet blue band. Rim on falls starts out greyed orange and becomes greyed yellow. 9 to 13 buds with ancillary stalks common at the base of the main stalk.
- △ **Famous Last Words** (Ghio 11) 34", L-VL. S. porcelain pink; F. white with pink undersides; B. tangerine in throat, blue tip; lacy ruffling, well branched, 9 buds.
- △ **Frontline** (Black 11) 40, M-L-VL. S. blend from dark violet blue to white with heavily veined dark violet blue centers; F. near white, very wide and ruffled; tangerine to white beards. 3 branches plus spur and about 7 buds
- △ **Jazz Era** (Keppel 10) 34", M-L. S. peach pink; F. deep red purple to magenta with a paler rim and pink-ground burst pattern of purple lines around the pinkish red beards.
- △ **Lemon Bubbly** (M. Sutton 11) 35", M-L. S. lemon; F. white with thin lemon edge; B. yellow, 9 buds. Bubble lacing and ruffling.
- △ **Little Nugget** (A. Sutton 11) **SDB**, 12", E-M. S. yellow with light diamond dusting; F. white with solid yellow band at edge, yellow and purple veining; white beards.
- △ **Loving You** (L. Painter 11) 35", M. S. pink; F. orchid lavender with lower edge tinted pink. White beards tipped orange in the throat. Spicy sweet fragrance, 7-10 buds.
- △ **Mad World** (J. Painter 11) 36", M. S. Indian red; F. orchid violet central area blending to Indian red edge, shoulders and center stripe; Beards purple and gold. Lightly ruffled, nicely branched with 7 buds.
- △ **Nice Job** (Lauer 11) 32", M-L. S. lemon yellow; F. beetroot purple, yellow ochre area around beard and rim; B. cadmium orange. 7 plus buds on show stalks. Pronounced sweet fragrance, ruffled.
- △ **Safari Sunrise** (Keppel 11) **IB**, 26", M. S. rose blend; F. apricot blended rose at edges, red at center with orange beards. 2 branches, 4 buds.
- △ **Sharp Edge** (G. Sutton 11) 32", E-M-L & re. S. white; F. white heavily veined and washed purple, white edge with very thin purple wire rim. 7 buds.
- △ **Totally Tropical** (T. Johnson 11) 36", M. S. light peachy gold; F. light terra cotta; B. bright orange. Stalks have 8-13 buds.



American Iris Society Region 14—2012 Spring Regional
Hosted by Monterey Bay Iris Society
April 27th—April 29th, 2012
Guest speaker —Joe Ghio from Bay View Garden

Registration form for Monterey Bay Iris Society Spring Regional
& Tall Bearded Iris Society Meeting

Theme—Iris by the Sea

Registration includes Saturday garden bus tours and box lunch (no cars will be allowed), Saturday Night buffet dinner and self guided Sunday garden tours.

Registrant 1 First name: _____ Last name _____

Registrant 2 First name: _____ Last name _____

Address _____ City _____ ST ____ Zip _____

Telephone _____

email to receive confirmation _____

Local Iris Society _____

Box lunch—sandwich choice: turkey _____ ham _____ vegetarian _____

Registration fee if paid before April 1st, 2012—\$125 number of person/s _____ Total \$ _____

if paid after April 1st —\$135 number of person/s _____ Total \$ _____

Spring 2012 Regional pin—\$5 number _____ Total \$ _____

Spring 2012 Regional T-shirt—\$15 number _____ Total \$ _____

T-shirts—please indicate size choice s _____ m _____ l _____ xl _____ 1xl _____ 2xl _____

No Credit cards accepted. Please make check payable to Monterey Bay Iris Society.
Registrations received after April 1st, 2012 will be accepted at the discretion of the Registrar.

Amount enclosed TOTAL \$ _____

Judges Training will be held at 10 a. m. Sunday, April 29th, at no charge.
No transportation provided. Carpool suggested. Number attending _____ not attending _____

Please send this registration to Charley Kearns, Registrar
P.O. Box 2361, Los Gatos, Ca 95031
408-315-1520 or email: kcf@verizon.net

For addition information and updates please see our website: <http://montereybayiris.org/regional.php>

For room reservations at the conference hotel, please contact the Best Western Seacliff Inn directly—not through a travel agent—at 800-367-2003. Ask for the Monterey Bay Iris Society discount rate, group #1146.
MBIS is not responsible for your hotel reservation. The Seacliff Inn is located at 7500 Old Dominion Court, Aptos, CA 95003

—http://www.aisregion14.org/pdfs/sp2012_registration.pdf

