



# *Fleur de Lis*

## *Clara B. Rees Iris Society*

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### **Meeting Place**

**For the present:  
Zoom meetings only**

### **August 2021**

**No Zoom Meeting**

**Rhizome Sale Aug 7  
Yamagami Nursery**

**Rhizome/Garage Sale Aug 14  
Elaine Fischer's**

**Potting Party Aug 15  
Carol Dahout's**

### **Dues**

**Sep 1, 2021-  
Aug 31, 2022**

**Adults - \$15.00**

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Co-Presidents**

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**CBRIS  
www.cbris.org**

**Region 14  
www.aisregion14.org**

**American Iris Society  
www.irises.org**

## **July Picnic**

Thank you to everyone who joined us at the CBRIS Rhizome Auction and Picnic on July 18<sup>th</sup>. It was wonderful to see so many CBRIS members and family attend, and even though it wasn't like the auction/picnic we've had in the past it was still a fun event. It was just so good to see everyone, and play catch-up.

We really want to thank all the people who helped make this event possible. Elaine Fischer stood in line at the Sunnysvale Community Center to get our event reservation and permit. Peter Marra, Mark Greene and Alice Gary came early in the morning to make sure the gazebo was in good shape, and to help set up tables. Riley Probst and Shirley Trio came all the way from Modesto so that Riley could be our auctioneer, and to bring door prize irises and tables.

Thanks, Riley, for being such a patient auctioneer.

Thank you to Chad Schroter for bringing books to add to the auction, and for the preview of the iris screen he's donating to the silent auction part of the Region 14 Fall Meeting. Thank you, Mary Collins, for sorting/bagging up the door prize irises, and keeping track of what we bidders owed during the auction.

A special CBRIS Thank You goes to all the folks who spent the last year growing and nurturing our Door Prize irises. We wouldn't have had the auction, or the fun of getting a prize without you.

Hopefully, next year's picnic will be more like what we were used to in past years.

—Chris Dickinson, CBRIS Picnic Chair

## **See You Then!**

## Dahout's Digs

### August 2021

August is a busy month for us and this year is no exception. We have our rhizome sale at Yamagami's Garden Center, 1361 S. De Anza Blvd., Cupertino on Saturday, August 7<sup>th</sup>, from 9 am – 2 pm. We need trimmed and labeled rhizomes for the sale, so please dig, and bring them to me or Mary. My address is 738 Oak Grove Dr., San Jose, and Mary's address is 635 Monferino Dr., San Jose. If you are working at the sale, we will meet for breakfast at Bobbi's Restaurant (right next door to Yamagami's) at 7:45 am. I will send out reminders to all those who have signed up.

Next event is the last chance rhizome/garage sale at Elaine Fischer's on Saturday, August 14<sup>th</sup>. Elaine's address is 1193 Kelsey Dr., Sunnyvale. Time 10:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M. Give Elaine a call if you want to drop off items earlier. Volunteers will be needed.

The following day, Sunday, is our Potting Party at my house. We plan on potting 140 iris, starting at 9 am. Please let me know if you are available to help. It usually only takes a couple of hours and I will serve brunch! We need members to grow the potted iris. The iris are in two-gallon pots and they initially need watering until the roots take hold. Once the rainy season starts (fingers crossed!), you don't have to do anything except keep the weeds out of the pots. Please let me know if you can take 12 or more.

I received an email from our member, Jeff Bennett, regarding the Dry Creek Garden. Thanks to members' contributions, the garden is recovering from the recent devastating theft. It will be open to volunteers by the end of August or early September. Details will follow on work schedules.

Lastly, CBRIS is hosting Region 14's regional fall meeting at Gamble Gardens in Palo Alto on October 2<sup>nd</sup>. Registration form is attached in this newsletter. Debbie Strauss will be our guest speaker via zoom and her topic is Ethics. We will have a rebloomer show as well as a silent auction and raffle baskets to bid on. Attendance will be limited to the first 50 to register (due to COVID).

– Carol Dahout, CBRIS Co-prez

### AIS Symposium Voting Deadline Extended to September 15

Voting for the 2021 AIS Symposium has been **extended to September 15th**. The ballot was with the Spring issue of the *Iris Bulletin* which you should have just received if you are an AIS member. You can also find it on the AIS website [here \(PDF\)](#). Send your choices of up to 25 of the irises listed to your RVP by September 15th, 2021. You can mail or email the names or numbers of the irises or the marked ballot to Jean Richter, Region 14 RVP 1226 High St., Alameda, CA 94301 or [jeanmarierichter@gmail.com](mailto:jeanmarierichter@gmail.com).



**.AIS August Zoom Webinars**

**Wednesday, August 4th** 5:30 P.M. Pacific Time 1 - 1 1/2 hours By Debbie Strauss  
 "Pint-sized Bearded Iris: Medians-What are they? Where did they come from? Why grow them?"

**Wednesday, August 11th** 5:30 P.M. Pacific Time 1 - 1 1/2 hours By Tom Waters  
 "Dwarf Bearded Irises: The Three Types of MDBs"

For more information please email us at: [AISwebinars@gmail.com](mailto:AISwebinars@gmail.com) or [see the complete flyer](#)



Thank you to all those that helped sell rhizomes at St. Leo's.

**August Culture**

It is the time for digging, dividing, and planting iris rhizomes in our area. We can always use extra rhizomes for the club sales or trade with other members. We always want just one more iris for our garden! Remember to give your newly acquired rhizomes a bleach bath before planting, using a solution of 90% water and 10% bleach. Soak the rhizome for about 10 minutes, rinse, and let rhizome thoroughly dry before planting.

**August Birthdays**



- Kalpana Shyam** 2
- Colton Danner** 8
- Jean Richter** 12
- Sandy Hartley** 13
- Trang Bui** 15
- Carolyn Craft** 18
- Cara Vainish** 19
- Alice Gary** 28

**Clara B Rees Iris Society  
 Treasurer's Report**

<b>Beginning balance, July 1, 2021</b>	<b>\$15,282.81</b>
Revenue:	
Dues	480.00
Picnic auction	976.00
St. Leo's sale	493.56
Sales Tax	46.26
Expenses:	
Cash kept for sale change	95.00
Square fees	7.74
<b>Ending balance, July 31, 2021</b>	<b>\$17,175.89</b>

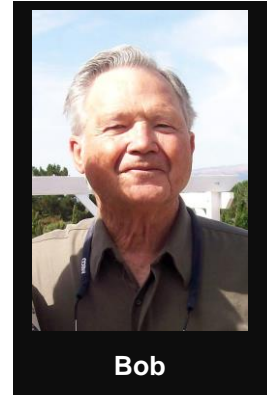
***Take stalk of your life  
 (at least remove your iris stalks as  
 they finish blooming!)***





### Passings

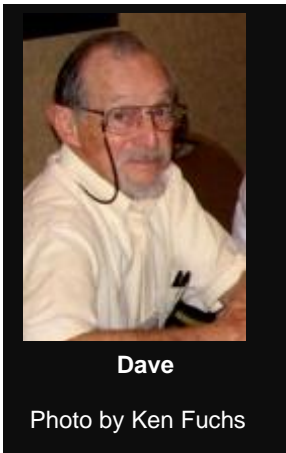
We have just learned that Bob Plank passed away last Thursday. He was the AIS legal counsel for many years, and a fixture in Region 14. Best wishes in this sad time to his wife (and former RVP and AIS president) Jeanne.



Bob

This news comes on the heels of another great loss for AIS, as Dave Silverberg, the AIS librarian, also passed away recently. AIS conventions just won't be the same without Dave's ebullient presence. Best wishes to his wife, Nancy Price.

– Jean Richter, Region 14 RVP



Dave

Photo by Ken Fuchs



**CBRIS members**

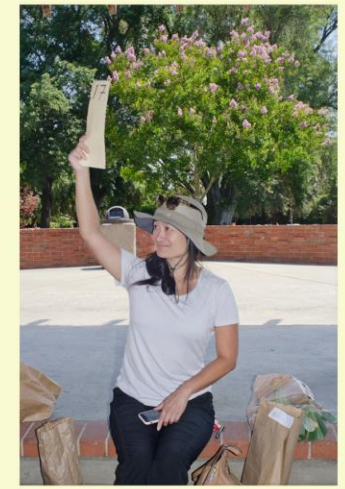
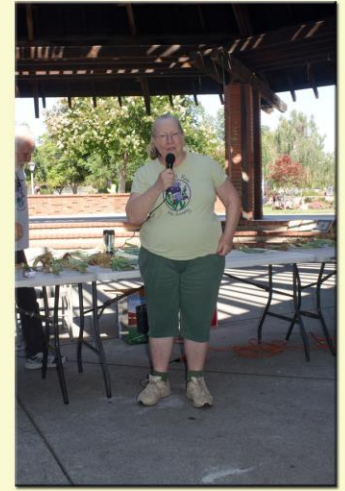
**helping each other**



**2021**











**We are back!**





**Iris rhizomes and friends...**





**So nice to get together again!**



AIS Region 14 Fall Meeting

***Iris @ Gamble Garden***

9 am – 5 pm

Saturday, October 2, 2021

Elizabeth F. Gamble Garden

1431 Waverly St., Palo Alto, CA 94301

Featured Judges' Trainer – Debbie Strauss, AIS Emeritus Judge, will give a 1-hour training on Ethics Registration includes continental breakfast, boxed lunch from Panera, business meeting, judges training, rebloomer show and access to Gamble Gardens. **Attendance is limited to the first 50 to register.**

Registrant 1 First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Registrant 2 First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Iris Club Member Y \_\_\_\_\_ N \_\_\_\_\_ Local Iris Society \_\_\_\_\_

Likely to enter blooms into Rebloomer Show? \_\_\_\_\_ Y \_\_\_\_\_ N

Registration fee if paid by September 15<sup>th</sup> \$50 x \_\_\_\_\_ person(s) = Total \_\_\_\_\_

Registration fee if paid after September 15<sup>th</sup> \$55 x \_\_\_\_\_ person(s) = Total \_\_\_\_\_

Lunch choices: \_\_\_\_\_ Napa Almond Chicken Sandwich

Sandwiches come with bag of chips, pickle and cookie

\_\_\_\_\_ Mediterranean Veggie Sandwich

Sandwiches come with bag of chips, pickle and cookie

\_\_\_\_\_ Green Goddess Cobb w/chicken salad

Salad comes with baguette slice and cookie

For questions regarding the regional, please contact Carol Dahout 408-981-6209.

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