

# Gleur de Lis Clara 3. Rees Ints Society

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No Meeting
In August
Rhizome Sale
Saturday, Aug 6th
Yamagami Garden Center
1361 S. De Anza Blvd
Cupertino, CA 95014

#### **Dues**

Sep 1, 2022-Aug 31, 2023

Adults - \$15.00

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# **CBRIS July Picnic**



Thank you to everyone who joined us at the 2022 CBRIS Rhizome Auction and Picnic on July 17<sup>th</sup>. It was wonderful to see so many CBRIS members and their families. Although this year still wasn't quite like the auction/picnics we've had in the past, it was still a fun event. Hopefully by next year we will be back to having our pot luck luncheon.

We really want to thank all the people who helped make this event possible. Elaine Fischer stood in line at the Sunnyvale Community Center to acquire our gazebo 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. Thank you to Wayne Craft for supplying the tables. Thanks to Chad Schroter for being a humorous, and patient, auctioneer. Thanks to Nancy Mirabella for helping us to see pictures of the iris being auctioned (that seems to be getting harder each year), and to Mark for being our "Rhizome Runner."

Thank you, Mary Collins, for sorting and bagging up the door prize irises, and keeping track of what we were bidding on during the auction.

Finally, a special CBRIS <u>Thank You</u> 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 door prize, without you.

-Chris Dickinson, Picnic Chairperson

Editor's note: Thank you, Chris, for organizing the picnic!

## **Dahout's Digs**

#### August 2022

Continued from last month, it is still time to dig, divide, wash and label, and then amend your soil for all the new rhizomes you picked up at the picnic!

We need fresh rhizomes for the Yamagami sale on Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup>. Please bring your rhizomes to my house or to Mary's house by Friday. My address is 738 Oakgrove Dr., San Jose, and Mary's address is 635 Monferino Dr., San Jose.

We will meet at 7:45 AM for breakfast at Bobbi's Restaurant (adjacent to Yamagami's) and then set up for the sale. We will be in front of Yamagami's. Yamagami's opens at 9:00 AM so we should be ready for customers as close to that time as possible.

Please share the sale flyer on your social sites such as Facebook, Instagram, and Nextdoor. The flyer is attached to this newsletter.

Our annual potting party will be held this year at Philippa Alvis' house on Sunday, August 14<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 AM until done. This is where we will pot up rhizomes for next year's potted iris sales. Please bring a hat, gardening gloves and energy! As usual, brunch will be served after all our hard work!

Our next in person meeting will be at the West Valley Library in the Community Room, on September 2, 2022. Doors will open at 7 PM and the meeting will start at 7:30 PM. The address for the library is 1243 San Tomas Aquino Rd., San Jose 95117.

Please note that our October meeting will be on the second Friday in October which will be the 14<sup>th</sup>, also at the library.

-Carol Dahout, CBRIS President

## **August Birthdays**

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



# Clara B Rees Iris Society Treasurer's Report

Beginnin	g balance, July 1, 2022	\$ 18,005.20
Revenue:	Dues Rhizome sales Sales tax Picnic auction	345.00 621.71 58.29 755.00
Expense:	Donation to Region 14 in memory of Jim Laflin	50.00
Ending b	alance, July 31, 2022	\$ 19,735.20



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#### **Culture**

It is dividing time for your bearded irises. If you need some help, contact fellow club members and a work party can be set up. How-to-tips were in last month's newsletter.

Give those newly planted rhizomes water at least twice a week until you see new growth or the winter rains come. (Yes, ever hopeful!)

If you are not dividing, keep those iris beds free from weeds. We are currently experiencing a drought however, the irises do need some water. How much you can spare is up to you – water anywhere from once a week to every three weeks. Slow deep watering is best. They cannot remain in soggy soil. As soon as the irises come out of their summer dormancy, they will begin to set up for the spring bloom. Water helps. Do what is best for your garden and water conservation.



Let Mark Greene know if you would like to grow some of the door prize irises for the coming year.

Let Carol Dahout know if you are willing to "sit" some of the pots for the spring sale.

There will be a potting party at Philippa's. It is scheduled for 9:30 AM Sunday, August 14<sup>th</sup>. Grab your hat and gloves and stop to help.

Iris you all the happiness in the world!

# Clara B. Rees Iris Society Annual Rhizome Sale

Saturday, August 06, 2022 9 am - 3 pm



Yamagami's Garden Center
1361 S. De Anza Blvd.
Cupertino, CA. 95014

Come early for best selection!

Beautiful rhizomes ready for planting now for spring bloom.

CBRIS members will be on hand to answer all your iris questions.

\$4 each for named varieties with quantity discounts. Grab bags - 5 mystery iris rhizomes for \$10.