



# *Fleur de Lis*

## *Clara B. Rees Iris Society*

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### **Meeting Place**

Nov 4, 2022

7:00 P. M.

Zoom

**Meeting ID: 815 5288 1131**

**Passcode: 392480**

### **Dues**

Sep 1, 2022-  
Aug 31, 2023

**Adults - \$15.00**

Carol Dahout

CBRIS President

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CBRIS

www.cbris.org

Region 14

www.aisregion14.org

American Iris Society  
www.irises.org

## **November Program**

We are so pleased to welcome local hybridizer and one of CBRIS's favorite speakers, Garry Knipe, back as our special guest for November! From his garden in Cupertino, Garry has been hybridizing and growing PCIs for the last 23 years and his stunning introduction, Premonition of Spring, can be found in bloom in many of our gardens from as early as November to as late as mid-May.

Garry will be giving a talk on his hybridizing program with PCI's, with a slideshow featuring many of his favorite seedlings. He will discuss his current priorities for hybridizing, like selecting and breeding for increased hardiness in different climates for the PCI, and his efforts to produce the truest blues and turquoise hues in his flowers.

Now is the time to plant PCIs. If you are looking for insights and inspiration on growing these exquisite irises, you will not want to miss Garry's talk this Friday. See you there!

—Trang Bui, CBRIS Vice-President

## **CBRIS November Meeting**

Topic: CBRIS Meeting

Time: Nov 4, 2022 07:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81552881131?pwd=a3FON0sxaGVEeWZOZ1ZKR1ZiZy8rQT09>

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# Minutes

## CBRIS Meeting, October 14, 2022

President Carol Dahout called the meeting to order at 7:34 P.M.  
It was our second hybrid meeting.

Carol presented CBRIS member Bryce Williamson his keeper awards from AIS Region 14: Jim Gibson Cup for Best Plicata, Clara B. Rees Cup for Best Introduction prior to 2022, and Knopf Cup for Best Seedling.



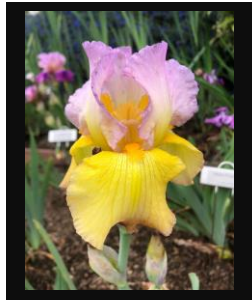
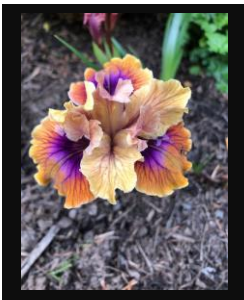
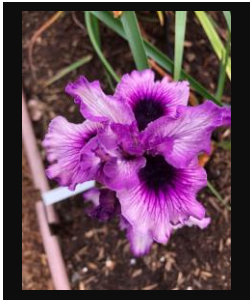
**Program:**

Jeff Bennett gave us a presentation on his trip to the Siberian/Species Iris Convention in Washington in May 2022. Jeff visited iris gardens in Oregon and Washington along the way. His first stops were at Mid-America and Schreiner’s in Salem, Oregon. Because of late rains, the bloom was behind schedule and the plants showed heavy leaf-spotting. The next stop was at Aitken’s Salmon Creek Garden in Vancouver, Washington. Jeff showed us pictures of iris from these three gardens.



The convention featured visits to Highline SeaTac Botanical Gardens, Bellevue Botanical Garden and Cascade Iris Gardens, all of which featured Siberian iris. Convention visitors were also invited to see PCIs at Debby Cole’s open garden and Leonine Iris Gardens. On his way home Jeff visited Chad Harris’ Mt. Pleasant Iris Garden and the garden of hybridizer Kevin Vaughn.

Jeff returned home with 60 plus new plants and many pictures!



**Door Prizes** were awarded using Mark’s Wheel of Fortune. Beardless irises were featured.

Respectfully written and submitted,  
Andrea Clague, CBRIS Society

–photos courtesy of Jeff Bennett



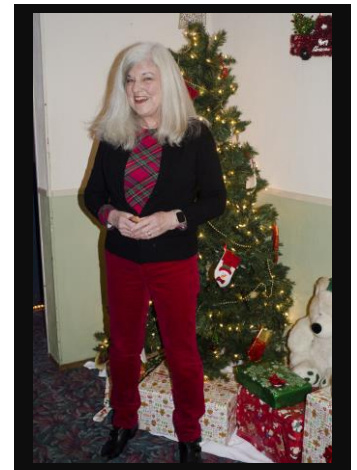
# Dahout Digs

November 2022

## Holiday Party!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Kick off the holidays at the CBRIS Party on Friday, December 2, 2022 at 6:30 P.M. at The Blue Pheasant Restaurant, 22100 Stevens Creek Blvd., Cupertino. We will have the festively decorated downstairs room with a cozy fireplace all to ourselves as last year.

The cost to members will be \$25 and for guests \$30. CBRIS will pick up the balance. Please make your checks out to CBRIS and mail them to me before Thanksgiving if you are planning on attending. My address is 738 Oakgrove Dr., San Jose, CA 95129.



The dinner will include a mixed green salad, potato or rice, fresh vegetables, French bread, coffee or tea and house made dessert. There is a no host bar if you would like a cocktail or wine with your dinner. There will be a vegetarian entrée (Pasta Primavera) which I was told last year was very good, and a choice of two other entrees, London Broil served with au jus and fresh mushrooms or Broiled Salmon, fresh king salmon broiled to perfection and topped with a fresh dill sauce. Please let me know your entrée choice when you send me your check.

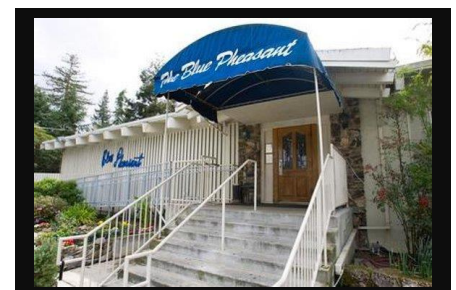
I try my best to shop for Christmas presents then I see something and think you know who would like that?? Me



And that's not all! We will have our Secret Santa Gift Exchange!

If you would like to participate, please bring a wrapped gift (\$20 minimum), preferably garden or iris related.

Hope to see you all there! We had a Great time last year and know we will again this year.



-Carol Dahout, CBRIS President



### CBRIS November Birthdays

Christy Tsai	3
Susan Bunker	4
Ken Reiter	12



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

<b>Beginning balance, October 1, 2022</b>	<b>\$ 21,174.04</b>
Revenue: Dues	180.00
Donation	15.00
Expense: Library room rental	40.00
Beardless iris DPI	179.00
Zoom charges	125.28
HDMI cable	16.23
Donation, scholarship fund	500.00
Donation, Dry Creek garden	500.00
<b>Ending balance, October 31, 2022</b>	<b>\$ 20,008.53</b>

### AIS Webinar

**Nov 9, 2022 - 5:30 P.M. - Zoom**

**“Life Cycle of Bearded Iris”**

**Presented by Chuck Chapman**

This webinar will cover the life cycle of iris going from parent flower to seedling flowering. It also covers the different biological steps that iris goes through in its life cycle. The email invitation for this webinar will be emailed a week prior to the event to AIS members

The webinar covers pollination, forming seeds, breaking chemical and cold dormancy, growing out seeds, maturity, summer dormancy, bud set, growth of increases, and winter dormancy. Also includes some information relevant to biology of rebloom.

Chuck Chapman lives in Ospringe, just north of Guelph, Ontario Canada in an agricultural zone 4. He is the owner of chapmaniris.com and has been hybridizing and selling iris for over 30 years. For the past 10 years, Chuck has been taking a part time degree in Plant Science at the University of Guelph, specializing in Molecular Genetics and Plant Biotechnology.



### AIS Board Zoom Teleconference

November 16, 2022

All AIS members are invited to attend. This meeting starts at 5:00 P.M. Pacific Time (US and Canada). This is our Annual Fall Meeting

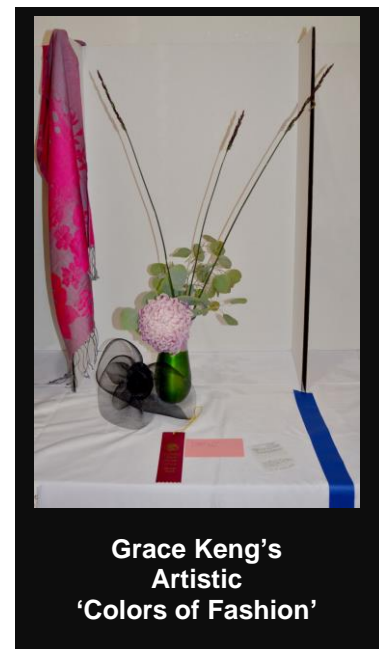
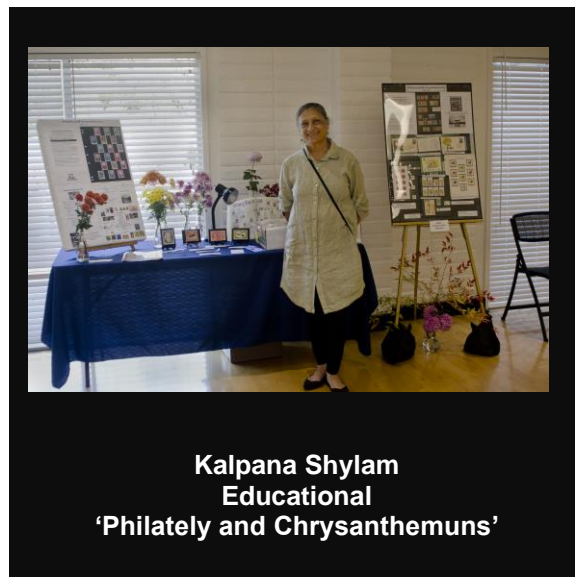
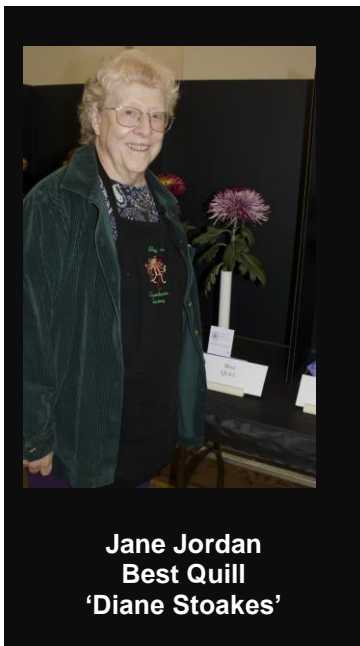
Reports for this meeting, the agenda, and minutes for meetings may be found at <https://www.irises.org/news-events/>

### DPI

We will be choosing door prizes from the December listing at the November Zoom meeting. There is no time at the Christmas party and no pcis available to the club this year. See page eight and nine for choices.

## Bay Area Chrysanthemum Society

The Bay Area Chrysanthemum Society held their 9<sup>th</sup> annual show this past week-end in Saratoga. Several CBRIS members belong to the Bay Area Chrysanthemum Society. Jane Jordan received ten blue ribbons and a placement on the head table. Kalpana Shyam put together an excellent 'Philately and Chrysanthemum' educational display, was successful in the artistic division, and received 15 blue ribbons with four placements on the head table. Grace Keng did a great job with her attractive arrangements. Sorry, no photo of Grace as she was not present when photos were taken.



-photos by Mikey Lango



## Brad Kasperek Passing

Brad Kasperek, a noted iris hybridizer passed away last month. Many of us in the CBRIS collected his irises during the 1990's. He was a master at hybridizing broken colors and his irises had colorful names such as: 'Anaconda Love', 'Baboon Bottom', 'Elainealope', 'Grape Snakez', 'Squid Squirt', 'Zebra Night', and many more. He will be missed.

The following is his obituary <https://www.ruddfuneralhome.com/obituaries/bryron-brad-kasperek>

**Byron (Brad) Bradley Kasperek**  
**March 8, 1945 — October 18, 2022**  
**Elwood**

Byron Bradley Kasperek (Brad) passed away at age 77 on October 18, 2022 at his home. He was born March 8, 1945 in Wisconsin to Joe and Marge Kasperek.

Brad married Kathie Kasperek on September 12, 1970 in Wendover, Nevada. He lived in Utah and Wisconsin during his lifetime.

Brad received a Master's degree in Economics from the University of Utah. Brad was retired and served in the Navy.

Brad and his wife owned a successful Iris business called Zebra Gardens in Elwood. He loved hybridizing all kinds of flowers, but especially Irises. He won 17 awards for his Irises and won the Hybridizer's Award for the United States, because of his knowledge in genetic crossing. He has an Iris named after him called the Bradley Badger. Brad and his wife also enjoyed dancing together for many years and were known for their dancing abilities.

Brad belonged to the Iris Society in Salt Lake City and Logan.

He is survived by his wife Kathie Kasperek, many family members, and especially his beloved 4-legged fur babies.

He is preceded in death by his parents; his sisters, Donna Buttles and Judy DeWitt; his brothers, Greg Kasperek and Ronny Kasperek.



**Kathie and Brad Kasperek**



## Iris Events

### 2022 CBRIS Christmas Party, December 2, 2022

Blue Pheasant  
22100 Stevens Creek, Blvd, Cupertino, CA 95014  
Secret Santa gift exchange

### 2023 AIS National Convention, April 12 - 16: Hosted by The Iris Society of Dallas

Convention headquarters: Courtyard by Marriott, Grapevine, Texas  
Five gardens: Judy Schneider, Dell Perry, Michael & Mary Ellen Reed, Connie Ford,  
and Hooker and Bonnie Nichols  
Registration form: Page 11 of this newsletter

### 2023 CBRIS Spring Show, April 22, 2023

West Valley Library  
1243 San Tomas Aquino Road, San Jose, CA 95117

### 2023 Spring Regional, May 12 - 14: Hosted by Yosemite Iris Society in Oakhurst

Kanarowski Gardens and Gonzalez Iris Garden  
Friday Iris show Spring Regional meeting; Sat dinner banquet at The Oakhurst  
Community Center in Oakhurst  
Judges Training: Sunday at Bee Haven Iris Garden in Coarsegold  
Registration form: Page 10 of this newsletter.

### 2023 Fall Regional, October 13 - 14: Hosted by Monterey Bay Iris Society in Santa Cruz

Details at a later date

### 2024 Spring Regional, April 20-21 (Possible date): Hosted by Sacramento Iris Society and

Sierra Foothills Iris Society  
Gardens: Cindy Eastman, Mary Ann Horton, and Ruth Ostroff

### 2024 AIS/Japanese National Convention, June 25 - 29: Hosted by the Greater Portland Iris Society

Red Lion on the River, Portland, Oregon  
(Combination convention - AIS members view Japanese iris)

### 2025 AIS National Convention, early June: Billings, Montana

## PCI Iris Culture

This is the best month for planting Pacific Coast Irises in our area. Joe Ghio's advice: "Plant Pacificas in an acid bed; in all but coastal locations, filtered shade provides the best results. Upon receipt, soak in a bucket of water for about 24 hours. If new white roots are not showing, leave rhizomes in water until new roots begin to appear. They should appear in 7 to 10 days. Plant immediately and never allow the roots to dry out." To get the soil acceptable for PCI growing, add soil sulfur and an abundant quantity of peat moss. Spread it on the soil at least two inches deep and spade it in. Using both soil sulfur and peat moss is better than using only one. Most of the soil around here is heavy, usually clay or adobe, and needs to be lightened with additional compost.

-<http://www.pacificcoastiris.org/RRgroPCI.html>; -Joe Ghio



- Alas** Johnson 2014 MDB; 7"; ML; S. white; F. lg. blue spot, white band; B. white; Slight fragrance; HM, AM.
- Birthday Candle** H. Dash 2022 TB; 32"; L; S. orange; F. red-brown, faint gold rim; B. orange.
- Bottle Rocket** M. Sutton 2009 TB; 35"; EM RE; S. orange flushed pink; F. red veined orange, B. carrot; Slight musky fragrance; HM AM WM Dykes
- Caterpillar Blues** Paul Black 2022 TB; 32"; ML; light blue reverse amoena, B. Dark blue; PBF.
- Cut A Rug** H. Stout 2022 SPX; 29"; EM; S. yellow; F. white, heavily veined purple, yellow edging; B. white, tips yellow; Slight sweet fragrance.
- Daring Deception** Thomas Johnson 2012 TB; 35" M; S. white; F. violet, white band and; B. tangerine; Slight fragrance; HM AM WM Dykes
- Don' Talk Back** Steve Kelly 2018 TB; 38"; M; S. buff; F. light purple, buff ring edge; B. orange; Sweet fragrance.
- Folklorica** Steve Kelly 2021 TB; 34"; EM; S. yellow; F. plum, inner red rim, outer gold rim; B. bronze; Slight fragrance.
- Grape Escape** Burseen/Stout 2019 TB; 35"; ML; S. plum-purple; F. same, deeper purple shoulders and veins; B. violet, tips gold; Slight sweet fragrance.
- Hymke** Loic Tasquier 2018 IB SA; 20"; E; S. violet blue; F. light violet blue. B. white tipped yellow, end white with violet blue horns.
- Kimtastic** H.Stout 2022 TB; 36"; ML; S. peach. F. plum raspberry, light pink border. B. orange
- Martian Sunset** Steve Kelly 2021 TB; 30"; EM; S. crimson, lighter midribs; F. crimson, light fluorescent pink; B. gold, white; Slight fragrance.
- Oh Shux** Diana Ford 2022 TB; S. pale violet, olive yellow veining and midribs. F. lightly veined magenta violet; B. orange.
- Peach Dreams** Diana Ford 2022 TB; L; Rich coral/peach self. Beards frosted coral.
- Red Norma** H. Stout 2022 SDB; 13"; ML; Red tone self. Beards carrot orange.
- Sky Angel** Anita Moran 2022 MTB; 17"; L; S. white, yellow-green, F. white, blue stippling, veins; B. white, tips yellow; Slight sweet fragrance.
- Sonoma Blue** Jim Begley 2022 TB; ML; Deep blue violet self. B. gold, lavender.
- Strawberry Smoothie** R. Skaggs 2021 TB; 38"; ML; S. pink; F. light pink, darker pink veining, ½" pink rim; B. pink, white; Slight sweet fragrance.
- Thunderation** H. Stout 2022 TB; 33"; ML; S. wisteria purple; F. violet plum, wisteria edge; B. gold.
- Uncorked Humor** Burseen 2020 TB; 35"; VEM; S. blue, veined light purple; F. lilac, burgundy/purple hafts; B. orange, yellow; Slight sweet fragrance.





# CBRIS Door Prize Iris for November 2022



**Alas MDB**



**Birthday Candle**



**Bottle Rocket**



**Caterpillar Blues**



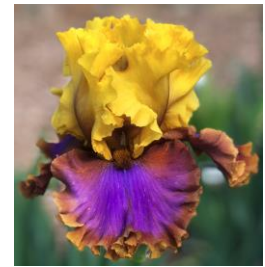
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**Daring Deception**



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**Folklorica**



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**Oh Shux**



**Peach Dreams**



**Red Norma SDB**



**Sky Angel MTB**



**Sonoma Blue**



**Strawberry Smoothie**



**Thunderation**



**Uncorked Humor**





**REGISTRATION**

**Region 14**

**2023 Spring Regional May 12,13,14**

**“Bees, Butterflies & Beauty”**

**Hosted by Yosemite Iris Society**

**Guest Speaker, Doug Kanarowski Hybridizer, G/E AIS Judge/Owner of the Mariposa Iris Garden**

**Friday Iris Show & Spring Regional Meeting and Sat. Dinner Banquet will be held at**

**The Oakhurst Community Center**

**39800 Road 425 B**

**Oakhurst, CA 93644**

Hotel on your own. We suggest you get an AIR B &B as they may be as low as \$100 per night. Over 2500 to choose from in the area. Any questions about rooms- contact Carolyn Hoover, [yischoover@gmail.com](mailto:yischoover@gmail.com) (559)760-5638 Registration includes coffee- snacks Friday Night @ Iris Show & Meeting. Full box lunch on Saturday, Banquet Dinner Sat., a light breakfast served consisting of coffee, tea, juice and light pastries on Sunday morning @ Bee Haven Iris Garden in Coarsegold at the In Garden Judges Training Session.

Need Vegetarian meals, check box

Need Gluten Free meal, check box

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

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

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ ST \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail for confirmation \_\_\_\_\_

Local Iris Society \_\_\_\_\_

Registration if paid by April 15, 2023, \$95 per person x person (s) Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If paid after April 15, 2023 \$100 per person x person(s) Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to: **Yosemite Iris Society**, and mail to:  
Linda Hood, 43315 Ranger Circle Dr. Coarsegold, CA 93614  
[linda-hood@sbcglobal.net](mailto:linda-hood@sbcglobal.net) (559)789-7446



**2023 AIS Convention  
Grapevine Texas  
April 12-16 2023**



**CONVENTION HEADQUARTERS:** Courtyard By Marriott 2200 Bass Pro Ct, Grapevine, TX 76051. Call them at 817-251-9095. *Request the Iris Society of Dallas room rate* of \$139.00 per night for single or double. The hotel has a shuttle to DFW, they have a Cafe, small dogs are allowed, and they have an outdoor pool.

Name .....Region .....AIS Judge-Yes.....No....Type.....  
 Garden Owner?.....Garden Name.....  
 Address .....Cell Phone.....  
 City, State, Zip ..... Email .....

Name tags will be made as printed above. **If this is your FIRST AIS Convention, check this box:**   
*Each registrant should fill out a separate registration form.*

**Full Registration:** Postmarked: **By March 15**  \$349 **By April 1**  \$399 **Total** \_\_\_\_\_  
 Includes AIS Welcome Dinner & Awards Brunch & Garden Tours.  
**Meal Choices:**  
 Wednesday Welcome Dinner  
 Chicken  
 Vegetarian  
 Sunday Awards Brunch Buffet with various options

**Youth 18 & Under:** Postmarked: **By March 15**  \$190 **By April 1**  \$240 **Total** \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Includes same as full registration)

**Ala Cart Items:** (for anyone not doing full registration)  
**Garden Tours ONLY:**  \$275 **Total** \_\_\_\_\_  
 Includes convention book, convention bag, 2 days of bus tours & 2 days of lunches.  
**Welcome Dinner & Awards Brunch:**  \$100  
 Chicken Buffet with various options  
 Vegetarian

**Friday Night Special Dinner**  \$45 **Total** \_\_\_\_\_  
 Following the meal there will be a live auction. Purchasing the meal is not a requirement for participating in the live auction.

**Thursday April 13 Noon—2 pm**  
**Geek Luncheon: \$50** Cost for the Geek Dinner is not included in registration and should not be sent with convention registration. Registration for the Geek Dinner should be mailed to Jill Bonino at 3119 Kirkham Drive Glendale CA 91206. More info send email to aistreasurer@irises.com or call 818-404-4216.

Check Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_ **Grand Total** \_\_\_\_\_

**Visa or MasterCard ONLY**.....**Expiration Date** .....**CVV**.....  
**Name on Card** .....**Signature** .....

Payment and Registration may be made by using your credit card by entering all your information above.  
 Go to [www.irises-dallas.org](http://www.irises-dallas.org) for more information.

**NOTE:** Registration acknowledgments will be made via Email.

**SPECIAL NEEDS:** Those requiring special accommodations for persons with disabilities must be received in writing by the AIS Convention Registrar no later than March 15, 2023. If you have special diet requirements, please note on a separate sheet.



Make checks payable to AIS Convention 2023 and send to:  
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