

- ISA 2017 Rhizome Sale
- Judges Training in Texas
- Duties for Conservancy
- New Signage



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A Monthly Newsletter of the Iris Society of Austin

# IRIS AUSTIN

## NEXT MEETING – OCTOBER 10

6:30 – 9 p.m.

Hospitality – David Kraemer

Pork with Vegetable Slaw

Pot Luck

Austin Area Garden Center Auditorium

2220 Barton Springs Road, 78746

Program: Irises at the 2017 Convention

October 11

**WEEDING WEDNESDAY**

**November 8 and December 13**

**7:30 A.M. until 10:30 A.M.**

**(Someone will open the gate which opens at 9 A.M.)**

**Bring gloves, hat, garden shoes and sunblock.**

**Assist PARD staff with gardening tasks needed on the 2nd Wednesday of each month.**

November 4 10 A.M. until NOON

Program: Garden Decorating by

Master Gardeners

Auditorium

November 5

Daylight Saving Time Ends

November 14

Thanksgiving Celebration

Hospitality – Dara Smith and

Jaime Hadley

## AUSTIN IRIS RHIZOME SALE



Ellen Singleton and Tracey Rogers planned a successful iris rhizome sale for the Iris Society of Austin Saturday, September 9 in the Norris Conference Center located near Walmart off West Anderson Lane. The colorful room attracted many of the visitors from other meetings in the spacious building.

During the raffle Tracey drew the winning tickets from the basket. The lucky winners were Audrey Baker for the bucket with the tool caddy or gardening tool organizer, Donna Little for the Sutton 2017 introduction 'Sky Ruler' and Lori Anderson for the Sutton 2017 introduction 'Orange Mammoth.'

We made a profit of \$1443.42 which is about \$68 more than we made last year.

Another chance to purchase iris rhizomes will be October 28 during the Show and Sale featuring Porcelain Arts, Herb, Bonsai, Daylilies, and African Violets in the Auditorium and Greene Room. Encourage your friends and neighbors to attend.



**Square POS Sales Report:**

Fri Sep 08, 2017 6:00 AM –

Sat Sep 09, 2017 7:00 PM

**SALES SUMMARY All Devices**

Gross Sales	...	\$3,755.00
Discounts & Comps	....	-\$606.50
Net Sales	...	\$3,148.50
Cash × 48	...	\$1,158.00
Card × 34	...	\$1,907.10
Other × 3	.....	\$83.40
Fees	.....	-\$52.49
Net Total	...	\$3,096.01

**DISCOUNTS APPLIED**

Member Discount × 14	...	\$108.00
Special Discount × 13	....	\$498.50

**CATEGORY SALES**

Membership × 3	.....	\$20.00
Other × 37	.....	\$97.00
Potted Iris × 1	.....	\$10.00
Rhizomes × 480	...	\$3,380.00
Uncategorized × 13	.....	\$248.00

**ITEM SALES**

\$ 2 Rhizome × 56	.....	\$112.00
\$ 4 Rhizome × 82	.....	\$328.00
\$ 6 Rhizome × 88	.....	\$528.00
\$ 8 Rhizome × 81	.....	\$648.00
\$10 Potted Iris × 1	.....	\$10.00
\$10 Rhizome × 88	.....	\$880.00
\$12 Rhizome × 55	.....	\$660.00
\$14 Rhizome × 5	.....	\$70.00
AIS Calendar × 6	.....	\$30.00
Bone Meal × 22	.....	\$22.00
Garden Markers × 4	.....	\$20.00
Indv Membership × 3	.....	\$20.00
Iris Culture Book × 5	.....	\$25.00
LA Iris × 25	.....	\$154.00
Raffle Tickets × 12	.....	\$60.00
Custom Amount × 1	.....	\$188.00

Square has sent you \$1,854.61

**JUDGES TRAINING IN TEXAS****in Austin**

**Debra Strauss** will present the key to having success in growing Median Irises in Central Texas January 20, 2018, in Ross Hall of the Westlake Hills Presbyterian Church located at 7127 Bee Caves Road and Barton Creek Boulevard in Austin, TX 78746-4102. Breakfast will be provided during registration at 9 A.M. Judges Training will begin at 10 A.M. for \$5.



Debra Strauss



Lynda Miller

**in Dallas**

The Dallas Iris Society will have a reception/dinner, Judges Training, and program/meeting with **Lynda Miller** as the guest speaker Friday and Saturday, October 20 and 21, 2017.

All of the meetings will be in Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 11425 Marsh Lane, in Dallas TX 75229.

On Friday evening at 6:30 P.M. Lynda's reception will conclude with a silent auction of her new introductions.

On Saturday, October 21, Judges Training will be at 9 A.M. to noon for \$10 for the 3-hour credit. The subject is "Median Irises."

A business meeting of the Dallas Iris Society will follow this program, and all are welcome to stay.

RSVP to Bonnie Nichols by calling 214 676 9892 or by e-mailing Bonnie at [bjnhtn@aol.com](mailto:bjnhtn@aol.com).

A nearby hotel for those who wish to spend the night in Dallas is Marriott Courtyard Northwest Dallas at 2930 Forest Lane. Telephone 972 620 8000



'Football Hero' - Miller 2014 TB



'Moose Tracks' - Miller 2015 MTB

MINUTES OF THE IRIS SOCIETY OF AUSTIN  
SEPTEMBER 5, 2017

Everyone wished a speedy recovery to both Mel Landers and Charles Barksdale, and condolences to Kathy Petheram on the loss of her husband. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of these families.

Donna Little is accepting donations of 2-gallon or larger nursery pots to pot new rhizomes for Charles Barksdale.

Welcome to a new visitor, Sarah.

Donna gifted rhizomes to folks in attendance.

The 2018 Iris Show will be Saturday April 7, 2018. The regular April meeting date is Tuesday April 10, but many folks will be out of town that week at the AIS & SLA National conventions in New Orleans. A motion was made to simply cancel the April 10 meeting and skip that month, and it passed with no dissension.

The March 2018 meeting program will be on grooming iris for the show in April.

Lynda Miller will be presenting Judges Training on Median Irises and an additional program hosted by the Dallas Society on Saturday October 21, in Dallas, with a reception and dinner Friday night as well. There may be folks from our club interested in sharing rides and hotel rooms

AIS medals from the 2017 Iris Show were presented – Silver to Don & Pat Freeman, Bronze to Jim Landers

There was discussion of the 2018 Region 17 Meeting:

- Austin last hosted a Region 17 Meeting in 2012
- Austin's Daylily Society recently hosted their regional convention at a hotel in Round Rock – They brought in their own food and the hotel provided breakfast for its guests. Stephanie Sheridan will confirm which hotel it was
- There was a motion to continue investigating the possibility of Austin hosting the Region 17 2018 Meeting, and agreement to volunteer time and energy to make that happen. It passed without dissention

Ellen Singleton reported on the plans for the 2017 Rhizome Sale:

- Set-up at Norris Conference Center Friday Sept 8, 2p – 5p
- Sale Saturday Sept 9, 2017, 9a – 2p (Members should arrive around 8a)
- Rhizomes were ordered from Mid-America Gardens & Sutton Iris Gardens
- The October sale together with the Porcelain Arts Club at Zilker will be Saturday October 27, 2017

Members then proceeded to price rhizomes for the sale.

Respectfully submitted,

Jaime Hadley

VP Membership, in the absence of the Secretary

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#### DUTIES FOR CONSERVANCY

Thank you for completing the Austin Area Garden Conservancy/Zilker Botanical Garden Conservancy Survey and hopefully you have gone to [www.zilker garden.org](http://www.zilker garden.org) for the Conservancy, center page, or directly to [www.zbgconservancy.org](http://www.zbgconservancy.org) to read the information as the contract with the Austin Parks

and Recreation Department will be renegotiated for the 2017 transition. The goal is to raise \$150,000 from 2 special events per year and increase volunteer involvement.

Jennifer Orr is the Board President of ZBGC while Marion Alsup is President of AAGC.



## TALL BEARDED IRIS SOCIETY SPRING MEETING

The Tall Bearded Iris Society 2018 Spring Meeting will be held May 11-13 in the Red Lion Hotel, 3301 Market Street in Salem Oregon 97301 during the Region 13 Meeting hosted by Oregon Trail Iris Society. Registration closes May 2, and the cost is \$95, which includes Red Lion breakfast buffet, bus garden tour with lunch and Judges Training, banquet with Guest Speaker Barry Blyth, and iris redistribution. Herbed Chicken, Seared Salmon, or Saffron Risotto Cake are the choices for the banquet. Tours include Miller's Manor Garden in Canby, and Mid-America Garden and Schreiner's Iris Garden in Brooks. The registration form can be downloaded from [www.oregontrailirissociety.com](http://www.oregontrailirissociety.com).

Hotel reservations should be made by calling 503-370-7888.

### WEEDING WEDNESDAY

If you have nothing to do, please arrive at Weeding Wednesday, October 11, to weed the newer garden of irises. The spurge is low; therefore, it can not be seen from the road, but it needs to be pulled out and carried away. The soil probably was purchased with the seeds. The Louisiana Irises need to be planted in new soil. The first garden that was planted does not have garden markers as it once did. Perhaps someone used several for the new bed. All of the irises are not looking as healthy as they should, and they had at least 6 inches of rain as well as being watered by the sprinkler system.

Thank you so much for your attention to the Zilker Botanical Garden Conservancy.

Arrive at 7:30 A.M. and work until 10 A.M. Since the garden opens at 9 A.M., someone will open the gate. You should bring a hat, gloves, and anything that you need to weed. Water will be provided. Do not drink from the water system in the garden.

### NEW SIGNAGE

Tracey Rogers has acquired two new signs for our society to use at future sales and shows. They are nylon 'feather flags,' 8' x 2', similar to signs seen everywhere in front of stores and gas stations. She also has received outdoor feather flag stake kits for displaying the flags. Each flag has a colorful picture of an iris, and one also bears the word 'SALE' in large letters. – Thank you, Tracey, for a job well done.





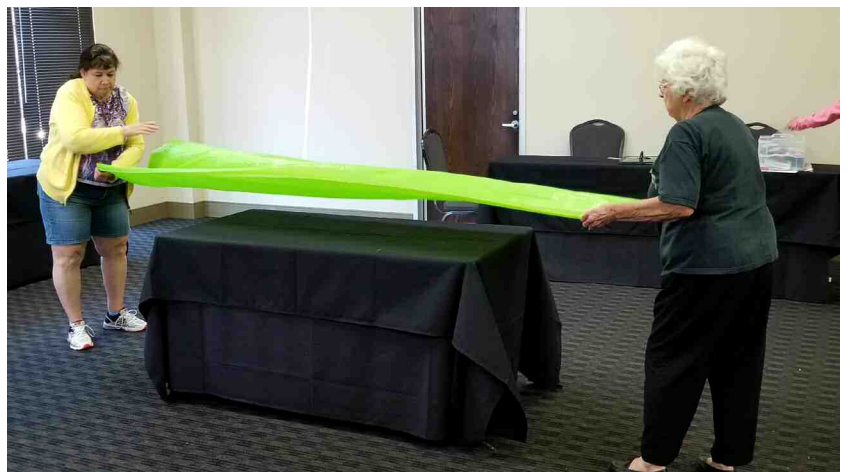
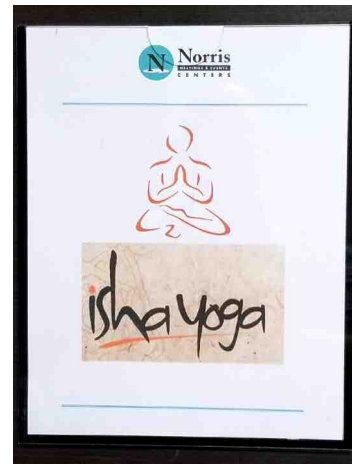
HEY, GANG, LET'S HAVE A S-A-L-E !







Meanwhile, nextdoor . . .



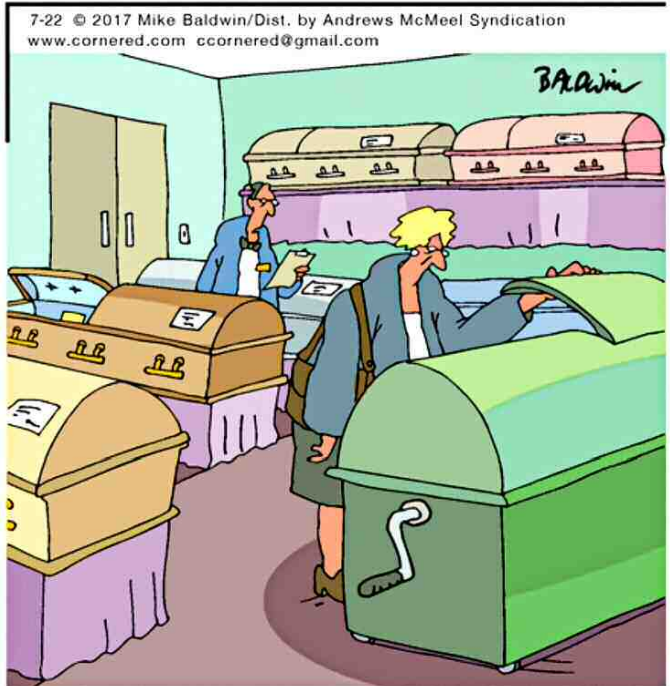


### Kit 'N' Carlyle by Larry Wright



### Cornered

by Mike Baldwin



"The 'Composter.' Quite popular with the green crowd."