



Society News



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Show Prep



The next meeting of the Johnson County Iris & Daylily Society will be held March 10, 2018 at the United Cooperative Services community room, 3309 N. Main St., Cleburne. The meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m.

Returning as our guest speaker will be Dell Perry, from Plano and Seandel Iris Gardens. This month, she will be talking about how to create an **Artistic Design**.

Our annual iris show will be April 21. Karen Singletary is this year's Show Chair and has chosen as our theme **World's Fair of Irises**. The 5 Artistic Design classes are listed on page 2 of this newsletter. This should be a fun theme with lots of ideas for completing your design. Do some research on World's Fairs for ideas.

If you have any questions regarding creating an artistic design, grooming an iris stalk for show, or any other questions about getting ready for our iris show, bring them to the meeting and someone there will be able to answer your questions.

The 28th annual Iris Show
Presented by

JOHNSON COUNTY IRIS & DAYLILY SOCIETY
An affiliate of the *AMERICAN IRIS SOCIETY*

World's Fair of Irises



Saturday, April 21, 2018

J.N. Long Cultural Arts Complex
425 Granbury St.
Cleburne, TX

8:00 a.m.-9:45 a.m.-Entering of Exhibits

10:15 a.m.-Noon-Judging

1:00 p.m.-4 p.m. Exhibits open to Public

Free Admission***Free Parking**



Officer and Committee Chair Reports

President's Report

by Vicki Howard



I would like to thank everyone who volunteered to help with the Region 17 meeting our club will be hosting August 3-4 of this year. I know we are all busy with our own lives but thanks again. There are still some areas we will need help with. If you want to sign up, please let me know.

It is the time of year when we have to select a nominating committee to secure nominations for our next set of officers. If you would be willing to serve on this important committee, please let me know. In addition, if you are asked to be an officer, please do. They wouldn't ask if they didn't think you would be good at it. There are plenty of members to help you out and help you learn. Trust me, I told them I would never be president. If I can do it, anyone of you can. If no one wants to hold office, how is there going to be a club? We all need to work together.

Program Chair Report

by Kathy Wade



Dell Perry will be our guest speaker and the program will be about creating Artistic Designs for the show.

Membership Report

by Anita Goodale



The JCI&DS met on Feb. 10. Twenty-three members enjoyed fun, food and fellowship. Winners of the drawings for membership were:
AIS—Mary & Jerry Keeth

AHS—Laura Smargiasso

Show Report

by Karen Singletary



2018 Show Theme:
World's Fair of Iris

Show Date: April 21, 2018

Show Location: JN Long Cultural Arts Complex Gym.

The show schedule has been approved. We have one judge at this point in time. Yay! We are still in need of several volunteers: *Artistic Design Chair, Judges Chair and Hospitality Chair*. I will review the responsibilities at the next meeting so we can get these positions filled.

The design classes will be:

Class 1: New York City "Blue City"

Class 2: Chicago "White City"

Class 3: San Antonio "Sunshine City"

Class 4: Seattle "Rainbow City" *

Class 5: It's a Small World**

(*Novice)

(**Youth)

Be thinking about which of these classes you would like to sign up for. There are 4 positions in each class. Let's get them all filled.

On another note, for those folks who did not make it to the Judges Training in Waco on Feb 17, you missed out on a good learning experience and some good entertainment. Remember you don't have to be in training to be a judge to attend a class. Anyone can go and learn something new about iris, the organization and the people running the organization. It all works together.

Treasury Report

by Dan Cathey



Opening balance for February 2018 was: checking -

\$3737.32, Paypal - \$119.65, and petty cash - \$100.00 for a total of \$3,956.97. Expenses in checking for February were: Peggy Cathey - for newsletter printing of \$19.80, postage \$6.00, and printing of Iris Show schedule at Office Depot \$25.88; Kathy Wade - reimbursements for hospitality expense \$38.01 (meats for Christmas party), partial purchase of iris for Region 17 auction \$200.00 + shipping \$23.50; AIS for Club affiliation dues \$30.00; credit card fee for regional registrations \$22.70 for total expenses of \$365.89. Paypal expenses were: AHS membership for Laura Smargiasso \$25.00 and AIS membership for Mary and Jerry Keeth \$35.00. Income was: \$25.00 in raffle sales and \$1,235.00 in regional registration fees for a total of \$1,260.00.

Ending balance for the month in all accounts totaled \$4,791.08.

Hospitality Report

by Gailmae Suite



The February meeting hospitality table had a nice even assortment of main dishes, veggies, rolls, chips and desserts. March sign ups for sweets are Randy, Sharon, Mary & Jerry, and Bill & Anita. Non-sweet: Diana & girls, Karen, Sue W. and Janet & Brian. Laura is bringing drinks and Diana & girls will bring ice. Wayne and I will bring coffee, pasta and chips.

Secretary's Report

by Laura Smargiasso for Vickie Rigby



No minutes submitted for February meeting.



Irises Along the Chisholm Trail, 2018 Region 17 Annual Meeting

Johnson County Iris & Daylily Society is proud to host the 2018 Region 17 Annual Meeting “Irises Along the Chisholm Trail” in Cleburne, TX on August 3-4. We have a fun weekend planned for you with a very special guest speaker and Judge’s Trainer. Anna Cadd from Healdsburg, CA, is an AIS Master Judge and current Vice President of the Spuria Iris Society. She will be instructing a three hour class on Spurias Saturday morning as well as talk to us about the “Enchanted Beauty of Spuria Irises” after the Saturday evening banquet. We have planned a Pizza Party for Friday evening along with fun and games. A free hot breakfast will be provided by the hotel for regis-

tered guests. For the noon meal, there will be sandwiches and snacks and a fajita buffet for the Saturday evening meal. The meeting registration, including all meals AND the 3 hour judges training is \$65 if paid by June 4. After June 4, registration will increase to \$75.

The Hampton Inn & Suites, 1996 W. Henderson (Tx. Hwy 67) will be our headquarters. We have a small block of rooms reserved and the rates are very competitive. A standard king or 2 queens will be \$89 and a king or 2 queen suite will be \$99. Please book your room by July 4th, using group code AIS, to get the special rates. Also, the city fire code limits the meeting room to only 64, so we will have to cut off the registrations

when we reach this number. Any registrations coming in after we reach the limit will be put on a waiting list.

The Hampton Inn is located on the west side of Cleburne near Lake Pat Cleburne, which can be seen from the hotel. Just across the lake/Nolan River bridge is Cleburne’s Chisholm Trail Outdoor Museum which includes the 1st courthouse in Johnson County which has been accepted as the oldest log courthouse in Texas.

Hope you will join us in Cleburne Texas for this year’s annual meeting of the American Iris Society, Region 17-TEXAS.



Meet Anna Cadd by Dan Cathey

Anna Cadd will be our special guest, featured speaker and instructor for the 3 hour Judges Training class on Spuria Irises at this year’s Region 17 Meeting, here in Cleburne.

Anna was born and raised in Poland during the “ancient times”, when *Iris pseudacorus* was growing in every pond, the gardens were devoted to producing food (meaning fruits and vegetables) and “Beverly Sills” (Hager, 1979) was the most magnificent achievement in the iris world. Strangely enough, Anna was the proud owner of one rhizome of this beauty! She was aiming high to become a medical doctor, but her inability to



kill the rats, frogs and rabbits make her change her mind so she switched to botany, as the plants don’t scream so loud. She managed somehow to get a Master’s Degree (MD) in Biology and Doctor’s Degree (PhD) in Plant Ecology. Next step for her was the stint in the Plant Breeding and Acclimatization Station, where she was crossing wheat and rye together and successfully was the author of several introduced lines and varieties of Triticale.



Iris pseudacorus



Beverly Sills

Due to the difficult political climate at that time, Anna decided to enrich her experiences and came to visit her aunt and uncle in Santa Rosa, California, USA. After she married David Cadd– she settled in Healdsburg in the home built by David’s grandparents. Now everything was simple – she worked full time, together with David managed a big home gar-

den and their commercial Cadd’s Beehive Iris Garden, introduced 101 iris varieties: 68 Bearded and 31 Beardless (49 TB, 16 BB, 1 IB, 1 SDB, 1 AB, 32 Spuria and 1 PCN). They received from the American Iris Society - 11 Awards of Merit, 31 Honorable Mention Awards, William Mohr Medal, John C. Wister Medal and twice the Eric Nies Medal. They also received 8 trophies from International Competition in Florence, Italy; 2 medals from Competition in Moscow, Russia; 2 Trophies from Middle-European Iris Society in Poland, Slovakia and Czech Republic; Trophy from Tecomah Competition in France and 2 Medals in Competition in Munich, Germany. They won Santa Rosa Iris Society Best of Show at least 10 years in row, managing to enter close to 100 varieties each year. Anna built countless flower arrangements



Anna Cadd, cont.

during the Shows and meetings and she is an accredited AIS Master Judge. After David passed away in 2015, she is the sole proprietor of **Cadd's Beehive Iris Garden**, growing well over 1500 iris varieties.

Anna is very excited to visit AIS Region 17 and her friends in Texas and will be speaking about one of her favorite irises, the Spuria. She is a very proud member and current vice-president of the Spuria Iris Society. Anna tells us that Spuria irises are very easy to grow,

beautiful in the garden, offered to extend the bloom season and are very valuable in the floral industry. Strangely enough, they are not very popular and recognized in the iris world, with a limited number of commercial gardens offering them for sale and with only a handful of Spuria iris hybridizers around the world. The number of introductions of Spurias is less than 1% of all introduced irises annually. Anna thinks there is a great need to train AIS Judges to recognize and properly evaluate

Spuria irises in the garden and on the Show benches and also to infuse her enthusiasm and love for Spurias to everybody who is willing to listen. She will give 3 hours of classroom Judges Training on August 4, 2018 and later during the dinner, she will speak about her journey in AIS and developing her love for Spurias – **The Enchanted Beauty of Spuria Irises**. She hopes to gain new enthusiasts and Spuria lovers in Texas!

David & Anna Cadd Top Medal Winners



Hakuna Matata Cadd 2000 (AB)
William Mohr Medal, 2007



Italian Ice Cadd 2001 (TB)
John C. Wister Medal, 2009



Speeding Star Cadd 2002 (Spu)
Eric Nies Medal, 2011



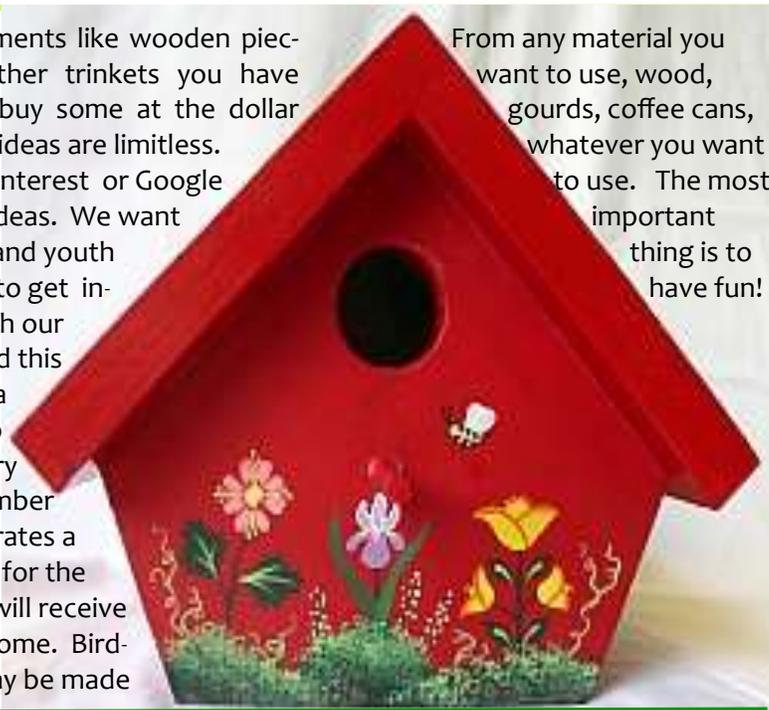
Golden Ducat Cadd 2004 (Spu)
Eric Nies Medal, 2014

Calling All Youth Members by Peggy Cathey

The 2018 Region 17 Meeting to be held in Cleburne, August 3-4, is going to have a contest for our affiliate club Youth Members. All youth members who wish to participate are to decorate a bird house to be put in the Boutique Raffle. The birdhouse which collects the most raffle tickets will win a special prize. You may purchase your birdhouse, go to Home Depot for their free Kid's Workshop and build one, or find some scrap boards and build your own. Then, get to work decorating them. You can paint them; Mod Podge pictures of gardens cut out of magazines or cover them with irises from a catalog. You can add

embellishments like wooden pieces and other trinkets you have found or buy some at the dollar store, the ideas are limitless. Look on Pinterest or Google for more ideas. We want our clubs and youth members to get involved with our Region and this would be a fun way to start. Every youth member who decorates a birdhouse for the boutique will receive an iris rhizome. Birdhouses may be made

From any material you want to use, wood, gourds, coffee cans, whatever you want to use. The most important thing is to have fun!





Please Join Us in Cleburne, Texas

For the American Iris Society

2018 Region 17 Meeting, August 3-4, 2018

Sponsored by the Johnson County Iris & Daylily Society



Hampton Inn & Suites, 1996 W. Henderson St., Cleburne, TX 76033, Ph. 817-641-7770

Room rates: 2 Queen or 1 King Standard—\$89 per night,

King or 2 Queen Studio Suite—\$99 *per night (plus tax)*,

Complimentary Deluxe Continental Breakfast, WiFi and Free Parking included.

Use Group Code AIS to make reservations. Please reserve your room by July 3 to receive the group rate.

Registration Form

(Please print)

Name: _____

Additional Registrants: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Registration includes Friday night Pizza, Saturday light lunch, Saturday night buffet and Judges Training.

Registration

IF POSTMARKED Before June 4, 2018 _____ X \$65 After June 4, _____ X \$75

Total Enclosed: _____

Payment Method: **Check**—Make payable to **JCI&DS**

Credit Card - (VISA, MasterCard, Discover, American Express)

CC# _____ MM/YY _____ CVV _____

Please list dietary restrictions, if any: _____

Send Registration & Payment to:

Dan Cathey, 1115 HCR 1414, Covington, TX 76636, dannydayle@yahoo.com

E-mail iris.daylily@gmail.com if you have any questions



Registration is limited to 64 guests. Please register early to save your spot.

IRISES ALONG THE CHISHOLM TRAIL



Invitation to AHS Region 6 Spring Meeting By Nancy & David Freshour (meeting Co-chairs)

It is with great pleasure that we invite you to the 2018 AHS Region 6 Meeting hosted by the Brazosport Daylily Society. Events will encompass Thursday, May 17 – Saturday, May 19. We are planning to offer the following AHS courses on Thursday afternoon: Exhibition Judges Clinic II (Exhibition Judges Clinic I is a pre-requisite and available on-line) and Exhibition Judges Clinic III (refresher), and Garden Judges Workshops I & II.

We are delighted to feature six private gardens for our bus tours; 3 on Friday and 3 on Saturday, including an AHS Display Garden. We are especially excited about our unique venues for our tour lunches. We have secured the Lake Jackson Historical Museum for “Lunch at the Museum”. The museum building was designed by local architect Raymond Burroughs and contain exhibits on local history from the Karankawa Indians, through the Plantation Era, and then the founding of modern Lake Jackson, with information on the local Petrochemical Industries. There’s a fully operable locally designed aircraft (Windecker Eagle, the first composite aircraft) suspended in the interior, as well as an exhibit about

Selena, the Hispanic recording star from Lake Jackson. At the time of our Regional Meeting, there will be a special exhibit in the rotunda commemorating the Diamond Anniversary of the founding of the City of Lake Jackson and how it grew.

Our other lunch venue is planned to be The Center for the Arts and Sciences in Clute, TX, which houses an art studio, art gallery, the natural science museum, planetarium, and two theaters serving the community.

The meeting hotel is the newly-opened Courtyard by Marriott – Lake Jackson, conveniently located in the Brazos Mall parking lot next to Highway 288. Because of all the on-going industrial construction in the area the last couple of years, accommodations have been difficult to obtain. We started working with the Courtyard by Marriott over a year ago, while it was under construction, to secure hotel rooms & meeting space in the same building, for our Regional Meeting. Due to all the flooding last year, the hotel construction and opening was behind schedule. We finally signed the contract on January 30!

For those of you who plan to stay at the hotel, you will be pleased with the fresh-designed accommodations. There are refrigerators, microwaves coffee makers and free WiFi in all rooms. The bathroom mirrors have an icon on them that, when pressed, will keep the mirror from steaming up. You can use the hyperlink in the on-line Registration Form to make reservations at the hotel electronically.

The public area of the hotel includes an open-concept interior lobby space with a bistro (serving Starbucks coffee), a bar, multiple seating areas for socializing, and glass doors opening to an outdoor linear fire pit with surrounding seating and waterfall, adjacent to the fenced pool area. The meeting/banquet rooms can be accessed from both the interior of the hotel, as well as the Conference Center entrance. We hope you will find the up-scale features of the hotel comfortable, especially after a fun day touring gardens & visiting other venues in the area. We are looking forward to welcoming you to “small town” Lake Jackson for the 2018 AHS Region 6 Meeting and to our garden, as one of the 6 on tour.

Time to Fertilize Your Daylilies by Peggy Cathey

After our long cold spell, we are starting to see green leaves emerge among the dead leaves of our daylilies. This winter, even a lot of our “evergreen” daylilies died back like the dormant or deciduous varieties. They are OK and even the ones which disappeared when it got cold will be emerging to put on a great spring show.



Mid march is the ideal time to fertilize your daylilies. If you fertilized them the same time as you did your irises, that is ok, but you might need to give them just a light boost again just before they start

to bloom. A balanced fertilizer such as 10-10-10 is always a good choice. Dan used a 15-5-10 fertilizer last year, which is one you would normally think of for lawns, and we had one of the best bloom seasons ever. Daylilies are in the “grass” family, so could use a little more nitrogen than we like to give the irises.

REGISTRATION FORM
Beautiful Brazosport in Bloom
AHS Region 6 Meeting and Garden Tours
Lake Jackson, Texas
May 17-19, 2018

Name(s): Please PRINT as you would like name to appear on your name badge(s)

1st Person _____

2nd Person _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

JUDGES CLINICS and WORKSHOPS (Offered Thursday afternoon):

Exhibition Judging Clinics: Clinic II _____ Clinic III (refresher) _____ **Clinic I is now on-line**

Garden Judging Workshops: Workshop 1 _____ Workshop 2 _____

(A \$5 fee will be collected at the start of the training.) **Bring the new Garden Judges Handbook-2018**

Registration Fees:

\$125.00 per person

\$95.00 – Youth (17 or younger)

Make Check Payable to: Brazosport Daylily Society

Qty: _____ @ \$125.00 _____

Qty: _____ @ \$95.00 _____

Enclosed: \$ _____

Enclosed: \$ _____

Mail to: Eddie Raye Andrews, Registrar

PO Box 167

Waller, Texas 77484

936-931-3846

dera2@sbcglobal.net

Please list any special dietary needs/restrictions:

Meeting Hotel:

Courtyard by Marriott Lake Jackson

159 State Highway 288

Lake Jackson, TX 77566

Phone: 979-297-7300

FAX: 979-297-7301

The hotel is located in the Brazos Mall Parking Lot along Highway 288.

Group Room Rate is \$125 (available from Wednesday – Sunday).

Book your room under Brazosport Daylily Society - Region 6 Meeting

Make your reservations by **May 3rd**; Group rate & room availability are not guaranteed after that date.



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Meetings held 2nd Saturdays at 10 a.m.
United Cooperative Services
Community Room (in rear of bldg.)
3309 N. Main St., Cleburne, TX

Vicki Howard, President
Peggy Cathey, Newsletter Editor
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Join JCI&DS today!

Only \$15 per year (\$25 per couple, \$10 for youth). You may join at a meeting, download membership form from our website, or send a check with your name, address, phone number and e-mail address to:

JCI&DS Membership
425 Granbury St.
Cleburne, TX 76033



-  **March 10, 2018 10 a.m.**
Iris and Design Preparation
United Cooperative Services Community Room
-  **April 9-14, 2018**
American Iris Society National Convention
New Orleans, LA.
-  **April 21, 2018**
Annual Iris Show
JN Long Cultural Arts Complex
-  **May 12, 2018**
Program to be announced
United Cooperative Services Community Room
-  **May 17-19, 2018**
AHS Region 6 Annual Meeting & Garden Tours
Lake Jackson, TX
-  **June 6-9, 2018**
American Hemerocallis Society National Convention
Myrtle Beach, SC
-  **June 9, 2018**
In-Garden Daylily Garden Judging Class
PDC Gardens, Covington, TX (Dan & Peggy Cathey)

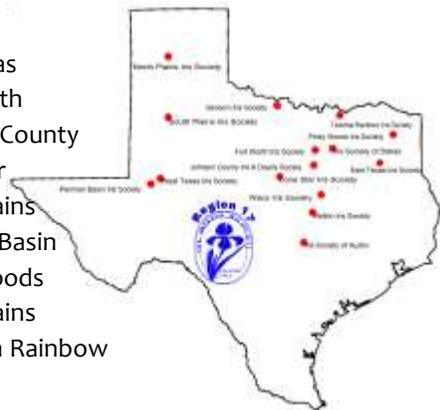
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Region 17 Affiliates

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