



# MONTEREY BAY NEWS

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November, 2007

Next meeting Friday, 16, 2007  
Doors open 7:00 P.M.  
Meeting 7:30 P.M.  
Place Native Sons Hall  
239 High Street, Santa Cruz

Newsletter of the Monterey Bay Iris Society



Christmas Present

Ghio photo

## From The Prez

**T**HE MONTEREY BAY IRIS SOCIETY is flourishing! As we move into the last weeks of 2007, we can look back upon a successful and enjoyable year. It included another top-notch show that engaged the local public, recognized several of our best iris growers, and developed the innovative artistic division. We also had a solid (if not spectacular) sale that placed irises in the hands of several Monterey Bay area gardeners and generated revenue for the MBIS, a fine picnic/raffle/auction, and a series of excellent meetings during which we broadened our horizons, deepened our knowledge and delighted in fine snacks.

We also developed practical experience with our new digital projector, and hopefully de-bugged the process. We do need a proper screen, however.

During the year, we also lost our long-time member, skilled grower and hybridizer, and great supporter of the MBIS, Lois Belardi. Rest in Peace.

Finally, we welcomed several new members during 2007, including several young members who are particularly welcome.

We are now heading toward our annual holiday dinner, which promises to wrap up the year in fine style and provide a good time for all.

## 2007 Calendar

Monthly meetings are held in Native Sons Hall unless otherwise stated.

### Regular Meeting

Friday, November 16..... 7:30 p.m.

Program ..... Rebloomers

Refreshments.....

Charley Kearns & Rosa Radicchi

### Annual Holiday Dinner

Green Valley Grill

Friday December 21

Come at 6:00 P.M. for mixing and no host cocktails; dinner starts at 7:00 P.M. Club members pay \$15.00, non-members, \$30. Reservations are a must and have to be made by Monday, December 10<sup>th</sup>.

### Directions

From highway one, from Santa Cruz, take the Main Street exit, and turn left at the first stoplight, onto Green Valley Road. At the second light, take a left, onto Penny Lane, (Spa Fitness Center is on Penny Lane, too, and if you get to Home Depot, you have gone one block too far). and Green Valley Grill is the first building on your right, UPSTAIRS.

From the south on Highway one, take the Green Valley Road exit, go three lights, turn left onto Penny lane (Spa Fitness Center is on Penny Lane, too, and if you get to Home Depot, you have gone one block too far). Green Valley Grill is UPSTAIRS on the second floor of the first building on your right, as you turn onto Penny Lane..



Congratulations to all members for your participation. Each and every one of us contributes to the success of the MBIS and the rewards of membership.

While we all have earned a pat on the back, we must also acknowledge the difficulties that AIS Region 14 has been experiencing. In earlier messages, I have mentioned the Region's budgetary issues, which are still unresolved. More recently, Regional Vice President Lynn Williams has voiced concern over the very low attendance at October's Fall Regional, and particularly the absence of almost all of the society presidents, who are the Region's directors. The MBIS board of directors will be discussing these issues in the near future, and will welcome your comments.

Meanwhile, let's all chip in our dues for 2008, enjoy our November meeting and celebrate the year at our Holiday party! ❁❁ Tom



It's the time of the year for Iris Ungularis to flower

## CHRISTMAS PARTY

Our annual party will once again be at the Green Valley Grill in Watsonville of Friday December 21, 2007.

Reservations are a must and need to be in by Monday, Dec. 17th. Also payment for the party needs to be made in advance. Pay at the meeting (with dues!) or send to Charley Kearns at P.O. Box 2361, Los Gatos, CA 95031. Price of the dinner is \$15.00 for members (Club picks up the balance); Full price to non-members, \$30.00.

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## DUES ARE DUE

Single dues are \$10 Two or more at same address \$15. Please pay at the meeting or send to our treasurer Charley Kearns; P.O. Box 2361, Los Gatos, CA 95031.,

## CULTURE TIPS

**N**ORMALLY WE GET THE HEAT from about mid-September to mid-October; then maybe some rain after that time. Once again, things get mixed up. Rain in significant amounts came in that period, and the heat at the end of the month. With these conditions, the winter weeds have gotten a head start. But with the later heat, it is easy to hoe them out. Once cleared of weeds, it is smart to use a pre-emergent. They are very effective at keep the weeds at bay all winter long. There are many brands out there. All are effective against the weeds on their label. Read it carefully and buy the brand that gets the majority of weeds that are residents in your garden.

Aphids make their appearance as the weather cools and before the onset of winter. They also hide in the folds of the leaves. Systemic insecticides will get those. One spraying now will get you through the winter.

This is the finally call to dig and replant Pacificas. With the rain we've had, they have just the right new root growth that should make transplanting very successful. ❁❁ Joe

## 2008 Officers Board Slate

The President shall preside at all meetings of this society, and shall have general superintendence of the affairs of the society. Writes letter in newsletter, coordinates affiliation, and chairs meetings.

President	Tom Karwin
Past President	Diane Sampson

Servers in an advisory capacity.

Vice President	Sheryl McEwan
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The Vice President shall perform the duties of the President in his absence. Finds speakers for meetings.

Treasurer	Charley Kearns
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The Treasurer shall collect the dues, maintain a current membership roster, keep the financial records of the society, pay the bills and keep proper records of all receipts and expenditures.

Show Chair	Charley Kearns
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Coordinates show committee

Secretary	Jim Cummins
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The Secretary shall keep the record of the proceedings of this society and shall conduct its correspondence. The Secretary shall have charge and custody of society books and papers pertaining to his office.

Membership	Rosa Radicchi
Publicity	Tom Karwin
	Diane Sampson
Artistic Show Chair	Diane Harrison
Librarian	Brenda Wood
Hospitality	Irene Cummins;
Newsletter and Advisor	Joe Ghio
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1 Year Board	Irene Cummins
	Diane Harrison
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### NOTE!!!

*Deadline for January is an early on, Friday December 27th. No late material accepted.*



IB Rebloomer, Doulbe Your Fun



Charley Kearns returned from Thailand with this photographic floral memory



## DOOR PRIZES

The Door Prize Irises for the year are published as an insert in the mailed paper. If you get you newsletter on line, it is a PDF file named 2007-2008 door prize iris. Keep a print out for reference and for keeping track of your winnings. Please note the large amount of wonderful iris and thank Joe for getting these iris for the club!!

## REBLOOMERS

Bring your reblooming irises now through March for show and tell and to drawing for first choice of door prizes.





## DOOR PRIZES IRISES

1. **MISTRESS OF CAMELOT**, Baumunk, 2004, Lavender w/ gold picatee gold edges to petals.
2. **ORANGE TITAN**, Aitken, S. orange; F. white, orange band
3. **PRINCE OF CAMELOT**, Kerr, S. white; F. blue-violet, big white spot around red beards.
4. **COUNTY CORK**, Schreiner, Straw green self; vigorous
5. **CORAL CHIMES**, G Crump, Muted coral pink self, IB
6. **HEAVENLY VALLEY**, M Sutton, Icy blue w/deeper standards
7. **RAGING TIDE**, Keppel, Mid-blue with deeper Olympiad centers to falls
8. **HOOSIER DOME**, L. Miller, S. white; plum base; F. plum, lavender edge
9. **CLEAR CHOICE**, T Johnson, Pink glaciata (crystal-like pink)
10. **50 IS NIFTY**, Burseen, Off white; ochre shoulders; horn
11. **GILDA LEE**, Williamson, Yellow w/white veining
12. **CHECK IT OUT**, L Lauer, Light yellow w/deeper rim on falls
13. **GRAIN EXCHANGE**, Ragle, Old gold ground; red brown dotting; plicata.
14. **GOOD AS IT GETS**, R.Ernst, Purple w/raspberry glow
15. **CHRISTMAS PRESENT**, J. Ghio, Blue Orchid; coral beards
16. **HALLOWEEN TRICK**, J. Ghio, S. orange; F. maroon black
17. **NICHE**, J. Ghio, S. white; F. white w/wide blue violet bleeding band; BB.
18. **WADE RILEY**, M. Roberts, Ivory white; blue rim on falls
19. **LEMONADA**, Keppel, Clear lemon. IB
20. **BANKER DAVE**, Burseen, Buff orange; tattered flounces.



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