



# BAY NEWS



Newsletter of the Monterey Bay Iris Society

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November 2005

<b>Next meeting</b> .....	Friday, November 18 <sup>th</sup> , 2005
Doors open .....	7:00P.M.
Meeting .....	7:30P.M.
<b>Place</b> .....	Native Sons Hall 239 High Street, Santa Cruz

The holiday dinner is December 16 at the Green Valley Grill in Watsonville, 6:00 for no host cocktails, and 7:00 dinner is served. Please send your holiday dinner money to Karen Imai right away, so we can get a final count by December 1. The cost is \$12.50 per member. Come to our meeting on November 18<sup>th</sup> to choose entrees for our party!

Also, come to the November meeting to vote in a new slate of officers. Thank you to Shirley Linck, who will now be our hospitality chair. I will bring the paper goods. Thank you to all who take time to make this club a success.

☘ Diane

## From The Prez



DEAR IRIS LOVERS,

Last month, we had a good selection of PC as door prizes. This month will be the first chance to choose door prizes from the 2005 list of club irises. Bring your blooming irises for a first chance at our door prizes! This month's program will be a weed expert from Ecology Action.

## Refreshments

Karen Imai and Lisa Ayala are providing the refreshments at this month's meeting.



View from the guest iris garden at Cooley's Gardens in Salem Oregon



## Calendar of Events

Friday, November 18  
Friday, December 16

7:30 P.M. Meeting  
Holiday dinner

Native Son's Hall  
Green Valley Grill



## CULTURE TIPS



OUR GARDEN should be ready for “bed” now. Get any last minute beardless replanted now before the rains make the soil unworkable. Rebloom continues until the frost cuts it down, but if the past is any indication killing frost has not been much of a problem in the last few years. Interestingly this year, the trees seem to be losing their leaves earlier perhaps portending a colder winter than we’ve had in the last few years.

If you have any seed from your hybridizing, it should be planted now. It needs the rains to stratify it. Also to keep weeds under control, apply a pre-emergent before the rains begin and the weed seeds germinate.

## DUES ARE DUE

\$7.00 single, \$10.00 additional members at the same address. Pay at the meeting or send to Karen Imai, 17427 Avenida Los Altos, Prunedale, CA 93907.

## CHRISTMAS PARTY

The annual Christmas party is Friday, Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>, 2005 at the Green Valley Grill. Come at 6:00 P.M. for mixing and no host cocktails; dinner starts at 7:00 P.M. Club members pay \$12.50, less than half the cost, non-members pay full price. You may pay at the November meeting or send to Karen Imai. Reservations are a must and have to be made by Monday, December 12<sup>th</sup>. There will be no December Newsletter. **This is your only notice of the PARTY!**



Liberty Hills with Columbines at Schreiner's Iris Gardens



## Board of Directors 2005

### President

Diane Sampson [debsampson@baymoon.com](mailto:debsampson@baymoon.com)

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Rosa Radicchi

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Charley Kearns

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Matt Wallace

### 1 Year Board

Wayne Craft

M'Jeanne Erwin

Elena Laborde

### 2 Year Board

Tom Karwin

Charley Kearns

Shirley Linck



## Welcome New Members

We have several new member to welcome this month. Please add their names to your address book.

Phillipa & Jack Alvis  
17664 BLANCHARD DR.,  
Monte Sereno, CA 95030  
408-395-2144

Daniel Larissa  
520 San Miguel Rd.  
Watsonville, CA, 95076  
831-724-9162

Diane Lauer-Harrison  
2923 Old San Jose Rd  
Soquel, CA 95073  
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## Drum Roll

Congratulations to Joe for winning the AIS Mitchell Medal for his PCI *Sierra Azul*. Lois' *Air Show* and Joe's *Cozumel* were runners-up. Awards of Merit went to Lois for *Pacific Miss*, Robert and Janet Canning for *Mendocino Blue*, and Joe for his *Rancho Corralitos*. Joe received Honorable Mentions for *Star of Wonder*, *Dot the Eyes*, *English Rose*, *Different Strokes*, *Extra Credit*, and *Oxymoron*. Other Honorable Mentions went to *Pinole Princess*, Vernon Wood; and *Frilly fancy* and *Sojourner*, Elyse Hill.

## Thank You

Thank you MBIS members for the nice personal card that was forwarded to me. Also for voting me a lifetime membership in MBIS. I am finally feeling better and getting around better but not up to coming to the meeting on Friday.

Jack has been taking good care of my iris for me and I hope to be out in the yard again next Spring.

Thank you again for your kind thoughts,  
Lois

## News Letter

I'm upgrading my operating system and the software for the newsletter. If are any changes you would like to see happen with the newsletter, this would be a good time to let me know. I may have to completely reformat it so changes can happen. I've heard word that larger text would be helpful. Any other suggestions? Writers still wanted. Try your hand at writing an iris article or a garden review. My new email is baynews@baymoon.com. Your iris introductions and garden photographs are still wanted for the website. I now have DSL so the size of your file is not a problem.

Ann

## Nominating Committee Report

The nominating committee presents the following slate of officers and directors for the Society's vote in the November meeting. Nominations may also be made from the floor.

<b>President</b>	Diane Sampson
<b>Vice President</b>	Sheryl McEwen
<b>Secretary</b>	Heidi Hooper
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Open</b>
<b>Board 2 years</b>	
	Adela Feran
	Nolan Hinshaw
	Brenda Wood

### Board 1 year

Tom Karwin  
Charley Kearns  
Shirley Linck

At this time, the nominating committee has been unable to fill the position of Treasurer. Members contacted for this position have indicated that other commitments preclude their serving as Treasurer. We respect that decision and realize that from time to time life outside the club demands our attention.

We are hoping that a member, that can serve as Treasurer, will come forward before the November meeting. Treasurer is a responsible position, in that the Treasurer is in custody of the Society's funds, must keep records, and report the financial activity and status of the club at the monthly meetings. Most months require minimal time. There is a little more activity during the time we have our spring show, rhizome sale and collect dues. Past treasurers will be happy to train and assist the new one. The Treasurer's position does require a commitment, but we are hopeful that someone will step up to the plate.

Sharing the duties is important to the success of our great club. Interested persons please call Charley at 408-353-4567 or 408-315-1520 (cell).

Nominating Committee

Charley Kearns, Chairman, Carolyn Craft, and Karen Imai



Lavender Stipples at Schreiner's

## National Convention

The American Iris Society will be holding its National Convention in Portland, Oregon, May 22<sup>nd</sup> to May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2006. With all the great gardens in the area, the garden tours should be incredible.

The banquet facility is limited to 1200 and they are expecting 1500 attendees. We all remember from last year the problems faced by late enrollees. If you register before March 1st the cost fee is \$200, by April 1<sup>st</sup>, \$225, and after that \$250. You can enroll on line at [www.ais2006.com](http://www.ais2006.com).

The convention hotel is the Red Lion one the River, 909 N. Hayden Island Dr., Portland, OR 97217. Make reservations by phone at 505-283-4466 or 800-REDLION. Please state that you are attending the American Iris Society Convention. The garden tours start at 7 A.M. on Thursday May 25<sup>th</sup> and the convention ends with the banquet on Saturday May 27<sup>th</sup>.

## DOOR PRIZE IRISES

The list of the club irises and their descriptions are included with this Newsletter. Save your list for reference and to note those iris you have won.

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1. **ANGEL WINGS**, Miller, Bubbly white, blue horn
2. **BLAZING BEACON**, Tasco, S. gold, F. ochre-bronze
3. **BLUE PERSUASION**, Aitken, Light blue amoena
4. **BREATH OF DAWN**, Sutton, Orange, flushed pink
5. **BRILLIANCE**, Painter, Bright Spanish Orange
6. **BUBBLE BUBBLE**, Ghio, Black purple luminata
7. **CLOUDS OF GLORY**, Richardson, Pale blue; deeper F. edges
8. **DISCOVERED TREASURE**, Johnson, S. buff pink; F. orchid-violet
9. **GARNET SLIPPERS (IB)**, Keppel, IB, red bicolor
10. **HEAVEN AND EARTH**, Lauer, Pink amoena
11. **LOVE IS ALL AROUND**, Aitken, S. lavender, F. red purple, lighter edges
12. **PARTY'S OVER**, Meek, S. lavender, F. ochre-cream
13. **PASSION PLAY**, Lauer, Pink, S. lighter
14. **PATTON SNOWFALL**, Niswonger, White, RE
15. **PURPLE SERENADE**, Schreiner, Huge mulberry claret
16. **SACED HARP**, Williamson, S. lemon, F. rose-lavender
17. **SMOLDERING FIRE**, Nicodemus '04, Red black, Best in Show, Capitola, '05
18. **SUGAR CREEK BLUES**, Nicodemus, Blue amoena
19. **TOM CAT**, Lauer, S. cream, F. cream & blue
20. **VISUAL INTRIGUE**, Tasco, S. blue; F. purple, white spray pattern
21. **HOSE SPRINKLER**, New Edition, bicolor

**Don't Forget the Christmas Party.  
See inside for more details!**

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