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The annual auction held Aug. 11th at Highland Park in St.

Paul netted about \$210.00 -- an extremely high amount considering the few people who turned out for the occasion. Possibly members find it difficult to attend on Saturday afternoons. We had a hard time finding the place and understand others did also.

Nevertheless those of us who were there enjoyed ourselves very much. I bid \$4.00 for a \$17.50 iris and got it too. (Wonder if it is worth \$4.00) Mr and Mrs Klapotz of Wayzata bought some real good ones --- Some choice hybrid peony roots were picked up by lucky bidders at real bargain prices. Mr Geo. Lunquist bought Mary Randall in addition to several other fine varieties.

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**** Errata -- Sorry ---

In the list of Court Of Honor iris on our report of the Iris Show, we mistakenly listed CORDOVAN as the winner in the Red Class. The winning iris, shown by Mrs Elizabeth Anderson of So.St.Paul was CORDOLON.

The 1956 BIG Iris show cost well under \$400.00 - all of which was paid for by the First National Bank of St. Paul.

Mr and Mrs Emil Foss, Mrs J.A.Hanratty and Mr. Carl Holst all attended the the National Rose Show at Louisville, Ky. this year. Dr. Debot, a large pink rose, was named Queen of the Show.

NOTICE

The Minnesota Horticultural Society with which the T C I S is affiliated, is raising their dues 50¢ per membership effective Jan 1st. This will make it necessary to amend our constitution and increase our dues to cover the raise.

Mr and Mrs Loren Franklin have retired from the commercial peony business and are now enjoying themselves with a brand new grandson. Congratulations.

Corrections and additions to the Membership List

Mr and Mrs Russell Frey	2530 Meridian Drive	Minneapolis.
Mr & Mrs George R Heideman	1326 E. Como Blvd.	St. Paul
Mr. C. L. Anderson	2243 E. Larpenteur	St. Paul 9.

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1956 Regional Iris Favorites (Minnesota and Wisconsin)

TRULY YOURS (24)	AMANDINE (9)	BLUE VALLEY (6)	FIRECRACKER (5)
HAPPY BIRTHDAY (21)	GREAT LAKES	BRYCE CANYON	FRANCES KENT
MARY RANDALL	LADY ILSE	CHANTILLY	GAYLORD
ARGUS PHEASANT (19)	PALOMINO	INCA CHIEF	GOLDEN FLEECE
CHIVALRY (17)	PINNACLE	JANE PHILLIPS	GRAND CANYON
NEW SNOW (15)	BLACK HILLS (8)	MYSTIC MELODY	HELEN MC GREGOR
BLUE RHYTHM (14)	CHAR MAIZE	PIERRE MENARD	MAYTIME
OLA KALA	CHERIE	PRETTY QUADROON	MELODY LANE
CAHOKIA (12)	NATIVE DANCER	SPANISH PEAKS	PARADISE PINK
BLUE SHIMMER	RANGER	STORM WARNING	PORT WINE
FRANCES CRAIG	SNOW FLURRY	TEMPLE BELLS	PINK FORMAL
LADY MOHR	ZANTHA	THOTMES III	QUECHEE
CLIFFS OF DOVER (11)	CASCADE SPLENDOR (7)	WHITE PEACOCK	RASP. RIBBON
MINNIE COLQUITT	DANUBE WAVE	WINTER CARNIVAL	SOLID MAHOGANY
BLUE SAPPHIRE (10)	H COLLINGWOOD	AMIGO (5)	SUNSET BLAZE
DESERT SONG	SABLE	BLUMOHR	SWAN BALLET
ELMOHR	SABLE NIGHT	CASA MORENA	TOP FLIGHT
LIMELIGHT	SOLID GOLD	CLOUD CAP	
STARSHINE	TRANQUILITY	DARK CHOCOLATE	
VIOLET HARMONY	WABASH	DREAMCASTLE	

Note: The number following the name of the iris is the number of votes it received. Where no number follows, the closest number above it applies.

The above list was sent in by Mrs Esther Berger, RVP American Iris Society, Reg. 8

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NEWS REPORT

East Rutabaga, N.H. Mr Murgatroyd Pumphandle who farms just west of East Rutabaga reported his cow ate so much Kentucky blue grass last week she "Mood Indigo"

Gardening Tips

Now is the time to clean up your garden, especially the dead foliage on and around your iris plants.--- Check the names on your garden markers to be sure they will last through the winter months. Most growers also make out a chart showing locations of named varieties. Keep it in a safe place just in case a sign is lost during the winter (Halloween is coming up too!!!)

Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be held on Thursday, Oct. 25th at the Blvd. Twins Restaurant, 5315 Lyndale Ave. So. Minneapolis. This will be the Annual Dinner and election of officers meeting. The speaker will be Rev. Paul Folkers of Owatonna. His subject will be, "The Lovliest Flower I Know". Rev. Folkers, who has quite a large iris garden with many of the newer varieties also does a lot of hybridizing. (He's had some good seedlings too)

Please return the enclosed card to Mrs Dallas Messer, 2940 Edgewood Ave., Minneapolis, so she can make the proper number of reservations. Be sure and fill in all the squares and for goodness sake dont forget to sign it. The cost of the Dinner will be \$2.50 per person and this includes the tip.

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Who's Who in the T. C. I. S.

Let's meet Mrs H. D.(Betty) VanBuskirk who lives at 286 No. McCarrons Blvd. in St. Paul. Betty is married and has one son and one daughter. She is interested in gardening, flower exhibiting, all kinds of sports, photography and sewing. Although her garden is not large she has quite a few iris varieties, her favorites being, Klondyke Gold, Blue Shimmer, Great Lakes, Pink Cameo and Grace Lapham. In addition to iris Betty is very fond of Tulips, Lillies, Delphiniums and Glads. The iris that impressed her most this year were Truly Yours and Happy Birthday.

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It is our pleasure to introduce you to Mr. George Gee of 936 E Shady Lane, Wayzata, Minn. Mr Gee is married and is the father of lovely Mary Ellen who has done quite well for herself exhibiting at the annual iris show. Among Mr Gee's favorite iris are Lady Boscawen, Bryce Canyon, Blue Rhythm, Heritage, Zantha and Vatican Purple. George has tried hybridizing and had a large, clear blue seedling from a cross of Paulette X Sierra Blue that was very nice. Unfortunately it had a weak stem (Oh! well- if it aint one thing it's another) In addition to iris, Mr Gee is fond of Peonys, Regal lillies, pansies and columbines.

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I'm sure most of us know Mrs Joseph Silitz who lives at 8200 Duluth St. in Golden Valley, because she seldom misses a meeting. Mrs Silitz is married and has one son. Her favorite iris varieties are Zantha, Happy Birthday, Lake Huron, Los Angeles and Garden Glory. In addition to iris, Mrs Silitz is very partial to columbines, Shasta Daisy var. G Marconi, delphiniums and feverfew. The one iris that impressed her most this year was Zantha (Doesnt it to everybody?)

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Dont forget to send in your cards for reservations for the Dinner Meeting. The date again is Thursday, Oct. 25th at 6:30 P.M. at the Blvd. Twins, 5315 Lyndale Ave. So. Minneapolis.