

# Twin City Iris Society

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With the nice weather we've had, everyone has had a chance to get their garden in tip-top shape going into the winter-- all the trees and shrubs pruned, the summers debris cleaned up and your spring bulbs planted. Optimistic aren't we?

## Report on Last Meeting

As a rule we have a smaller group at the dinner meetings than we do at general meetings, but we are happy to report that 41 enthusiastic members were on hand Oct. 21st to see the presentations of the cups and trophies that were won at the iris show. President Duane Foss asked each person who won a trophy to tell how they selected their winning iris for showing. Mr Gus Sindt, Mrs Cliff Klapotz, Mrs Cliff Stover and Mr Karl Schultz all complied, and by so doing added to the enjoyment of the evening. Mr Granville Gable was not able to attend the meeting although he did win a trophy.

## Election of Officers

Almost a completely new slate of officers was elected. This is a good indication in any society as it means also that new ideas will be introduced and that the society will not become set in a fixed pattern. The retiring officers certainly have given us a high standard to uphold.

## New Officers

**President:** Edward C. (Budd) Straub

Budd, our former vice-president, lives out Wayzata way with his wife Carol and two sons and one (?) siamese cat. Nice people, the Straubs.

**Vice- President:** Nathan (Jack) Burns

Jack has been quite active in promoting our favorite flower through speaking engagements at garden clubs etc. He likes football, basketball and shrimp cocktails. Lives in Brooklyn Park.

**2nd Vice-President:** Victor (Vic) Bates

Vic and Mrs Bates live in St. Paul and faithfully attend almost every meeting. He is one of the first to volunteer when there is work to be done. They are especially interested in siberian iris.

Recording Secretary: Mrs L. A. (Agnes) Wright

Mrs Wright is one of our outstanding flower arrangers She has previously served as our 2nd v.p. and also as hospitality chairwoman. Lives in Robbinsdale.

Treasurer: Joseph Fliegel

Joe lives in St. Louis Park with his wife Peggy and their three young children. The Fliegels have a beautiful home and Joe's special hobby is gardening.

Corresponding Secretary: Mrs W. G. (Charlotte) Sindt

A beginner in flower arranging, Charlotte has already won several ribbons. She is very interested in and kept busy doing work for her church. Her family of two children and husband Gus live in North St. Paul.

Directors (three) For a term of two years.

Mr Jack J. Kupka We've known Jack for many years He is always willing to lend a hand on any project Jack is a widower with two grown sons and lives in North Minneapolis. Makes his money to buy iris at the annual auction by painting houses.

Mrs Emil (Alice) Foss An ambitious person is Alice. She has a large home and lovely garden to take care of and still manages to find time to take care of her grand children. We understand she is doing some good work in color photography. A resident of Golden Valley.

Mr Granville B. Gable Re-elected to the Board of Directors, Mr Gable is one of the constant exhibitors of Blue Ribbon winners at the iris show. Both he and his wife, Verona, are charter members of the T.C.I.S.

The Directors still having a year left in office are Mrs J.S. Taylor, Mr. W.G. Sindt and Mr Russell Frey.

Editor of the News and Views: Mrs Nathan (Edythe) Burns

Resides in Brooklyn Park with husband Jack, two sons, one daughter and dog, Scorchy. Is very happy to hold charter membership card number 1 in the TCIS Main hobby is hybridizing iris.

Corrections and additions to the Membership List

Mr Leon B. Losey (new) Route #2, box 386 Walla Walla, Washington.

Listed below are all the wordly goods of the Twin City Iris Society

- One book of illustated flower arrangements by Minnesota arrangers.
- One book on outside lighting.
- 25 Kodachrome slides of which 11 are originals and 14 duplicates.
- One Addressograph machine.

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This may be a little late for Halloween, but did you know that a masculine witch is called a Warlock ?

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We have noticed lately a strange tendency to believe the iris has reached its peak as far as developement is concerned. After all, how can we improve on such perfect flowers as we now have. Beautiful things like Tranquility, Cahokia, Paradise Pink, Truly yours, etc. etc. After all, what is to be improved? Gosh! Maybe we had better get out our old time-machine, tune it into the future and see if we can find out what the future iris could possibly have to make it worth our while to continue hybridizing.....#&%^#&)(.. ..

This is the year 1979 we are now viewing - - - and is THAT an iris? Golden brown with a sky blue edging? ... Oh! A jade green one with a black beard; and there is a velvet blue with orange edging - - and over there is a chinese lacquered red, a pure, bright glowing beauty. Heres one with the coloring of a talisman rose, pink with peachy yellow on the reverse side of the petals - - - and there's a sign that seems to say, "EVER-BLOOMING IRIS, APRIL TO SEPTEMBER" - - - Ohigooh! Look there, crawling up that stem, a 1979 iris borer! Off with the time machine.

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Oh! Oh! Department

A Queen is not a quean  
 Nor is a quean a queen  
 But a queen could be a quean  
 And a quean of course could be a queen.

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Our Next Meeting, Dec. 2nd

Our next meeting will be held on Thursday, Dec.2nd at Rutherfords Garden Store, 4995 Excelsior Blvd., St.Louis Park. This is to be a slide program with all slides being brought by the members. Three prizes will be awarded for the slides chosen as outstanding. Please bring your slides so that they can be shown at this meeting. Some of them will be selected to have duplicates made of for the Societies slide collection, this of course with the permission of the owner of the slide. The original will be returned unharmed and promptly. Refreshments will be served by our very capable hospitality committee. So dont forget the date Dec 2nd at 8:00 PM at Rutherfords.

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Dont forget to cover your iris this year, especially your first year plants. Marsh hay, straw, excelsior, evergreen boughs or oak or maple leaves are all excellent covers.