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'Celtic Glory' (Stahly, 2000) From the Hollingworth garden.

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RVP's Message

What a wonderful spring Regional meeting we had. As usual SWMIS did an amazing job herding us all around and feeding us. In addition to that, we got to see wonderful flowers and enjoy talking to friends on a very pleasant bus ride. We were also fed with lots of beautiful bloom in all the gardens. It was so nice to see a very new member with a very nice guest garden. The second new garden had lots of wonderful and interesting things to see. And the final time in the Copeland garden/yard was spectacular as usual. I am sure I will still visit it even when they aren't on tours. I did miss the old fish fry but it was so nice

to meet in the interesting old stone train station we always pass on the way to their house.

I finally had a good bloom year after 2 "no bloom" years. Our garden open house (TCIS) brought quite a few visitors and one new member. Hopefully others that came will also join.

I hope your clubs are taking advantage of the free 1-year membership for new folks. Our clubs need to grow as many of us are aging out. It is getting harder to keep our groups going and unfortunately, we lost another club this year. We still don't have a club to host the Spring 2024 regional. It would be a shame if we just have no-garden meetings like the fall meetings. Next spring TCIS will be hosting the Spring Regional in the Lansing, Michigan area. Looking forward to seeing you there.

Welcome New Members					
		Carrie Higle Ripley, OH	William Miniard Toledo, OH		
	Paula Currie Whittemore, MI		Nevaeh Bieri (youth) Whittemore, MI		
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2022 Spring Meeting

Friday Events

Annette Pedersen, NEOIS

The Patacsil Garden

On May 27, 2022, we started the Region 6 Spring Meeting at the Patacsil's Garden. Mason, a youth member, and his mother Chris live in Portage, Michigan. It was so much fun and amazing to talk to Mason and learn his organic gardening techniques. His 2 year old garden is flourishing and his plants have vigor. We learned Mason does not have a favorite iris currently and has most types of irises growing in his garden including historics. When we walked through the tall bearded iris it was a rainbow of colors that caught our eyes.





Presentations at the Train Station

We proceeded to the Train Station in Lawton MI. John from Ensata Gardens gave us a presentation previewing the Guest Irises from Jill Copeland, Jim Copeland, Duncan, Robert Hollingworth, Carol Morgan, Poole, Schreiner's and Tasco we would get to see the next day. We also enjoyed viewing the seedlings from Robert Hollingsworth and Adam Cordes. Next at the Train Station Jody Nolin presented an update on the AIS Handbook for Judges and Show Officials. We learned that the Handbook has 4 chapters under revision that will be available when completed. The font is bigger. You can download the Handbook and print it free. There is a version in color. You may choose to purchase it through the Storefront at AIS. The host for the Region 6 meeting treated us with smoked salmon, a delicious variety of fresh fruit, a variety of crackers, dips, and so much more. What a spread!!

Saturday Garden Tours The Curtis Garden Annette Pedersen, NEOIS

On May 28, 2022, we visited David Curtis' Garden in Portage, MI. His 2 year-old quarter-acre garden was an inspiration for those with limited acreage. He has many first year blooms. His TBs, LAs, SDBs and SIBs are in nice beds in a landscape design. He is thankful the rabbits, which are plentiful where he lives, don't like iris.



The Everse Garden

Alvie Bebertz, NEIIS

Wow! What a treat - when I got off the bus, my eyes just went everywhere. There were many beautiful iris spread all over the yard, all different varieties - beds of Siberian, SDB'S, intermediate and tall bearded. I saw beautiful colors, iris wherever one looked. All the beds were healthy and very well maintained with mulch, stone or



simply dirt with nary a weed. There were also hanging baskets, succulents, peonies and lilies with a backdrop of lovely evergreens. Just when I thought I'd seen all the iris, there was another pretty bed. What a great garden!





The Copelands and Their Garden

Brock Heilman: SWMIS

I'm sitting down to write this after thoroughly enjoying two steaming hot toasted ciabatta rolls dripping with melted butter substitute (disappointing to you, dear reader, I know) and smothered in homemade black raspberry jelly. That jelly one of countless gifts, both tangible and intangible, given freely by people I am proud to call my friends: Jim and Jill Copeland. Jars of preserves went home with every single spring regional attendee. I am sure there are many, many more stories of recipients enjoying them in their own lives. Just one example of decades of kindness and generosity.

From the look of things, Jim must put as much work into non-fruiting plants as he does his crops. The grounds and trees here could rival any arboretum. The majestic tri-colored beech trees and red horse-chestnuts especially calling visitors across the hills that day.

I know I'm supposed to include the obligatory list of my favorite iris. Let's do that. As is nature's favorite game, the season didn't arrive as planned and many of the guest plants had yet to bloom. Sadly, out of bloom, the foliage on Jill's PCN seedlings probably seemed pretty ordinary beside those guest plants. It is still a thrill just to see them growing in Michigan at all. Several personal favorite MDBs were still blooming beside the garage – 'Stripe Three' and 'Beetlejuice' both variations of dark purple plicatas over cream ground. Even just stalked and budded up, Carol Morgan would have been proud of her posthumously introduced MTB 'Mirame'. Two clumps were just covered in stalks, ready to explode into bloom - as they were at Susie Everse's lovely garden too. How I wish everyone (myself

included) could have seen their reddish-purple plicata markings on clean white ground in their wonderfully unusual flat 6-fall form. I sincerely hope captures taken when they did open will reach our eyes.

Many plants from the resident collection in the fields out back were standouts. John and Bob's SIB 'China Spring' (1999) (photo right) looked as spectacular as ever covered in its clean, light blue I. typhifolia blooms. The clump effect is always impressive. Another out of the ordinary addition I enjoyed was a tetraploid I. setosa



below) was delightfully intense with its bold reddish signals on a violet bitone. seedling (photo below left), with its almost non-existent spike standards. Thomas Johnson's AB 'Shimmy Shake' (2019) (photo





A more traditional garden plant of Johnson's that caught my eye was a plicata 'Feel The Power' (2020) (photo below left), with smoky salmon standards over black cherry rimmed falls. Keith Keppel's intensely purple-black luminata 'Dark Universe' (2019) (photo below right) was a newly planted



knockout with its sharp white rims.

The real stars for this visit were the same stars of every visit I've been

fortunate enough to enjoy. I can't imagine an iris world without the Copeland's influence and I really don't want to. For as long as I have known them, they have brought success and prosperity to every endeavor. They are part of a crucial group of people I have come to call "silver bullets". That magic that makes things work. They have more than earned this time to retire from



given?

garden tours. What more could we ask of them? What haven't they

No matter what we do, individually or collectively, we will inevitably fail to communicate our gratitude for all the years they have welcomed us into their garden, home, and lives. We should still try.



2022 Spring Region Meeting Ballot Results

Jim Copeland, Awards Chair

Hal & Dorothy Stahly Award

1st Place Tie: 'Frosty Spirit' (Tasco, 2017) (photo left) 'Blueberry Grape Tart' (Grumbine, 2008) (photo left)

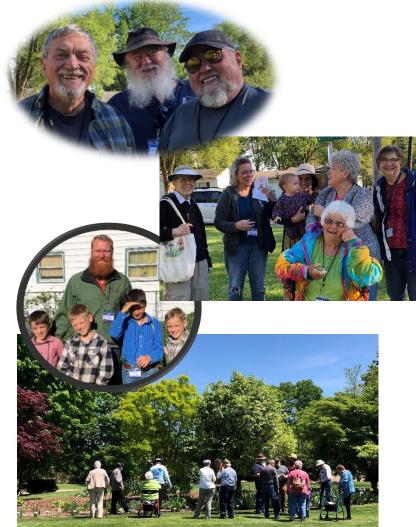
Don Waters Award

1st 'What's On Second' (Hollingworth, 2017) (photo above right)
2nd Place Tie: 'Mirame' (Morgan, 2019)

'China Spring' (Baurer/Coble, 1999) 3rd 'Royston Rubies' (Cordes, 2017)

Photos From Spring Meeting

Peggy Harger-Allen







Favorite Iris

1st 'Creative Art' (Tasco, 2020) photo above 2nd 'Blueberry Grape Tart' (Grumbine, 2008) 3rd 'Frosty Spirit' (Tasco, 2009) 4th 'Call Me Reba' (Grumbine, 2009) 5th 'Moment In The Sun' (Tasco, 2020) 5th 'Code Of Honor' (Johnson, 2013) 6th 'Atomic Glow' (Tasco, 2017) 6th 'Commanding Presence' (Black, 2014) 6th 'Royston Rubies' (Cordes, 2017) 6th 'Table For Two' (Schreiner's, 2020) 7th 'Juggernaut' (Schreiner's, 2020) 7th 'What's On Second'

(Hollingworth, 2017)

- 7th 'Visual Pleasure'' (Tasco, 2017)
- 7th 'Scrambled' (Black, 2014)
- 7th 'China Spring' (Baurer/Coble, 1999)

2022 Region 6 Iris Show Results And Events

IDIS

Chuck Bunnell (photos: Peggy Harger-Allen)

For several reasons, I expected a poor iris turnout for the show. Our early blooming irises were done in by heat and ferocious winds had pounded the rest the day before the show. Weather forecasters were predicting rain in Lafayette so I picked stalks Friday evening to beat the rain that never came. I reasoned that the "southern" climate of Indianapolis should have been less favorable than here in



Lafayette. Boy was I wrong! Even great irises came from Bloomington in the south. All in all, the iris count was a record 173 entries. As expected, tall bearded (TB) irises had the most entries

(65) followed by miniature tall bearded iris (MTB, 30). Our horticultural judges from Kentucky spent over two hours to finish their task. I congratulate and commend everyone who presented iris at the show. Only the weather prevented more folks from seeing it.

The Artistic Design Division had the largest ategories & 13 Exhibits)

turnout that I can remember (5 categories & 13 Exhibits). **Rod won the Silver Medal** for the most Blue Ribbons (12) in Horticultural Division. There was a tie (10) for the Bronze Medal between Greg Beavers and Peggy Allen which Peggy won with one more Red Ribbon than Greg. Greg was the most productive exhibitor with 10 blues from 12 entries! Best In Show 'Anna's Angels' (Rumbaugh, 2006) exhibitor Chuck Bunnell (photo right). The Best Design of Show was from the "Sunken Gardens" category prepared



by Dan Howell. He also won the **Artistic Sweepstakes** by edging Lezlie Myers in a runoff (each had 3 blue ribbons but Dan had 1 more red). **The People's Choice** for favorite design was in category "Industrial Strength" by Mary Vinson. Mary also won the **Neophyte Award** for her first time in the show and had 6 entries in the horticultural division.

Thanks to those who worked to setup and tear down.

ΜΙΟ

Adam Cordes

Open Division (formerly known as "Adult Division")
10 exhibitors, 170 Entries, 158 Cultivars.
Best of Show: 'Fort Apache' (Schreiners, 1982) exhibitor: Linda Stemen (photo right)
Silver Medal: Mary McDonald (15 blues)
Bronze Medal: Paula Currie (6)



Best Seedling of Show: O63-6 : TB iris hybridizer Adam Cordes (photo left)







Outstanding Educational Exhibit *The Orris Root* awarded a Bronze Medal: exhibitor Linda Stemen

Best Design: Kim Kocher (photo right) Artistic Sweepstakes: Kim Kocher





YOUTH Division:

Best of Show: 'Flash Mob' (Keppell, 2016) exhibitor: Taavi Cordes (photo left)

Silver Medal: Steven Cordes (4) **Bronze Medal**: Nevaeh Bieri (3) (photo right new members Nevaeh and Paula)

Best Design: Nevaeh Bieri (photo right) Artistic Sweepstakes: Taavi Cordes





NEIIS Lana Wolfe

Best of Show: 'Everything Plus' (Niswonger, 1984) exhibitor: Alvie Bebertz Silver Medal: Brian Wendel Bronze Medal: Lana Wolfe **Best of Sections: TB:** 'Everything Plus' (Niswonger, 1984) exhibitor Alvie Bebertz SDB: 'Stop and Stare' (Johnson, 2014) exhibitor Anita Wendel IB: 'Lakota' (Smith, 2014) exhibitor Brian Wendel **BB:** 'My Cher of Happiness' (Black, 2013) exhibitor Brian Wendel **Historic:** 'Kaleidoscope' (Katkamier, 1926)

exhibitor Brian Wendel
Best Seedling: Brian Wendel





Top left: Alvie, Lisa, Katie, Anita, Brian; Front left: Lana, Megan

SWMIS

John Coble Photos: Julie Clark

Best of Show: 'Black Comedy' (Black, 2017) exhibitors: Ginger & Steve Smith (photo right) **Silver Medal:** Jim & Jill Copeland (16) **Bronze Medal:** Ginger and Steve Smith (14)

Best of SDB Section: 'Gag Gift' (Black, 2013) exhibitors: Jim & Jill Copeland **Best of IB Section:** 'Black Comedy' (Black, 2017) exhibitors: Ginger & Steve Smith





A cookie for each of our judges. Thank you judges!

There were 6 exhibitors and 60 entries. The next weekend we had the pleasure of hosting over 50 attendees for the spring meeting.

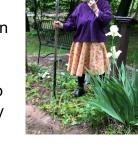
TCIS

Linda Jones (photos: Kathleen Foley)

Tri County Iris Society members enjoyed a spring visit to Harris Nature Center where member Evelyne Cudel has maintained an

ethnobotanical garden since 1998 (photos right). We appreciated looking at her garden and a pair of engraved paving bricks donated by the club. Evelyne's garden had a bench that overlooked the Red Cedar River as well that complemented the

relaxing atmosphere. After the visit to Harris, members then traveled to John and Jean Kaufmann's to enjoy a veritable feast of bloom! The



Kaufmann's had an open house advertised on the club Facebook page in conjunction with the TCIS event. TCIS recruited one new member as a result and

relished meeting in the newly erected pergola which featured the Tri County Iris Society banner for the day. Plans were made for the upcoming dig and sale. In addition to the Facebook sale, we will return to the Capital City Farmers Market in downtown Lansing. (left photos: 'Naples' (Johnson, 2000) and a Siberian seedling.



NEOIS

Fred Pedersen

The North East Ohio Iris Society had an iris show this year, on May 21. We returned to the Rockefeller Park Greenhouse, the site of the Willott Iris Garden and the North East Ohio display garden. We did not have enough exhibitors to qualify as an AIS Sanctioned show but we did have enough to have a horticulture show. The Queen of the Show, the iris judged the best of our show was



'Eye to Eye', (photo left) an Arilbred iris grown and shown by Lou DiSanto, which was introduced by Keith Keppel in 2009. Lou also won our sweepstakes, the most blue ribbons. Unfortunately, no one had their cameras out to take pictures of the section winners or the Show Queen. We look forward to our 2023 show, hopefully a return to an AIS sanctioned show.

Post Spring Meeting Garden Visit

Peggy Harger-Allen

We stopped at Walt Foreman's garden in Bristol, IN on the way home. His place is just south of Michigan so the garden was in full bloom.

We all enjoyed seeing the lovely clumps of tall bearded iris and visiting with Walt and his wife Jan. They have a nice city lot and garden.



'Gracchus' (Ware, 1884)







'Paul Black' (Johnson, 2003)



'That's All Folks' (Maryott, 2005)

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Iris Musings Spring 2022

Brian Wendel

Greetings fellow Irisarians! What an amazing iris bloom season! I can't remember such a concentrated, saturation of bloom in all the various iris classes and sections. The last of the MTB and Siberian bloom is here and the bloom stalks of the Pseudatas and Spurias are emerging well. Iris Fulva is currently blooming so vivaciously. I do so love that brick red color and the fun branching of Iris Fulva.

I love the genetics of Iris and had 14 seedlings with 'Double Play' (Hollingworth, 2010) as the pollen parent. 'Star Lion' (Smith, 2006) produced one lovely tall white flower, no doubling with green veination. 'Tutu Blue' (Hollingworth, 2016) gave me four, #1 was a tall white no doubling; #2 was a pale lavender flower no doubling; #3 was blue with yellow haft no doubling; #4 tall white nice

doubling present and on the initial bloom there was a creamy yellow edging on the falls picture but not on any of the following flowers (photo right). 'Fiddles On Fire' (Schafer/Sacks, 2017) had four, #1 was short red flower with a few extra sporadic standards; #2 nice cranberry color with yellow blaze and edging no doubling (photo left);



#3 was a white flower no doubling with some nice yellow veination; #4 no bloom. Seedling S19-16 produced five, #1-5 no bloom, but #4 had good increase. I was disappointed that the



tetraploid Siberian seedlings planted out yielded only two bloom stalks in two clumps all involving seedlings from seedpods of 'Crimson Fire Works' (Dunlop, 2014). Really nice intensity of color. Yes, Adam, there was a surprise seedling out in the garden for me to see as well as 'Fiddles On Fire' #2. Thanks for there was indeed something new to see in the iris seedling patch.

Before going to the Regional in Michigan I planted out the overwinter germinated seedlings: 16 tetraploid Siberian Iris and 27 Siberian iris seedling s x I. setosa var. hookeri and they look like they are settling in well. However, they could use a good rain as the cracks are forming.

Just a note to self and a quick question to all. Why do all the awards go to the early blooming Iris? Why isn't there an award for later blooming Iris? We all talk about extending the bloom season by

planting early, middle and late blooming cultivars. But, do we all do it? I have an almost too late blooming seedling to cross with anything, out of ('Step Lightly' x S19-16) (photo right).

Anita and I had the bestest of times visiting all the Michigan Iris gardens on the Spring Regional Tour. We want to thank each and every one of the gardeners for all of their hard work and the amazing display of Iris and other plants present. It was so good to see 'Velvet Intrigue' blooming and growing happily in Susie's garden. We loved the amazing diversity of plants in Mason's Iris garden and the Iris took center stage. Until next time Brian from Craigville.



Iris in the Garden of Tom Tomlinson

Tom Tomlinson, IDIS



'Man's Best Friend' (Black, 2008) has been extremely prolific and creates a most impressive clump with its unusual color combination.

> 'Teagan' (Spoon, 2009) Very early bloom and prolific reproducer.

Iris in Lana's Garden

Lana Wolfe

'That's All Folks' (Maryott, 2005)



'Dancing Star' (Johnson, 2009)



Possession By Iris

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"*Iris* is a <u>genus</u> of 260-300 <u>species</u> of <u>flowering plants</u> with showy <u>flowers</u>. It takes its name from the <u>Greek</u> word for a <u>rainbow</u>, which is also the name for the Greek goddess of the rainbow, <u>Iris</u>." <u>https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Iris(plant)</u>

I didn't buy my first iris planning to make it an obsession. When my late wife, Linda, and I bought our first house in 1979 in Lafayette, IN we had just enough garden space to plant a few flowers and vegetables. The decision to buy an iris or two was sparked by childhood memories of irises growing in our small backyard garden in Peru, IN. Not too long after that first home, we built a place on a half-acre lot. Not all of the property was suitable for any kind of garden but there was definitely room for many irises. There was where the obsession began, the fault of a Schreiner's ad in a garden magazine. About 1985 a first order of a dozen TBs was painstakingly chosen from their catalog. More TBs followed and even a few "lilliputs". Being a scientist, my natural curiosity led to a nearby Perdue University library where I discovered a book, The World of Irises. Oh my! What a wealth of information, particularly Chapter 22, Pollination and Seed Growing. This information led me to contact the American Iris Society (AIS) and become a member just in time to attend a Region 6 Regional near Detroit. There I was greeted in the most welcoming way by Hal and Dorothy Stahly and many others who became friends and still are.

My first seedlings were from bee pods, but within a year I was making crosses of my own. Rather quickly the competition for TB crosses seemed overwhelming compared to thousands a year that Schreiners were making. If our entire half-acre lot had been planted in iris, there might have been a mere thousand seedlings to evaluate. So TBxSDB and SDBxSDB crosses occupied the next few years.

Linda and I joined the Indiana Daylily Iris Society (IDIS) and met folks like Jack Norrick, Emma Hobbs, and Lynda and Roger Miller. Jack eventually became my mentor and provided my first MTBs in 1991, such as 'Bumblebee Deelite' (twice runner-up for the Dykes Medal, Norrick 1986), 'Lucky Mistake' (Norrick, 1986), 'Rosemany's Dream' (Dunderman, 1982), 'Aachen Elf' (Kennedy, 1984), 'Grandpa's Girl' (Fisher, 1984), and 'Oshel Blue' (Dunderman, 1984). The first MTB crosses were done in 1993 and MTBs became the sole focus of hybridizing by 2003. It should be noted that six of my introductions had one or more of these gift MTBs in their genealogy. At that time, it seemed like there were not many folks hybridizing MTBs.

In 2002 our garden was part of a tour that fueled a flame that is still burning. There was a seedling

(C39-7) that I had never considered introducing. Being a novice hybridizer, I didn't feel competent to say an iris was worthy of introduction; however, encouragement from several persons more knowledgeable, convinced me to introduce it. A difficult part of cultivar introductions is coming up with a suitable name. I was primed to name this first seedling after my mother who had passed away 20 years earlier; however, I sensed that Linda thought perhaps C39-7 should be named after her. What a dilemma! 'Missus Bee' (Bunnell, 2003) (photo right) was a Godsent solution covering mom, Linda and the bee that pollinated the flower. 'Missus Bee' was introduced in Indiana by Miller's Manor





Garden, the home of Lynda and Roger Miller at the time. The Millers introduced three other MTBs for me before moving to Camby, OR. Notable among them were 'Dividing Line' (2005) (photo left) and 'Jack's Pick' (2006). Most iris lovers probably know that 'Dividing Line' was the first MTB to be awarded the American Dykes Medal in 2014. More on that later.

In 2005 'Jack's Pick' (Sdlg. H33-4) was one of three siblings being considered for introduction. A friend was growing all three in his garden side-by-side. I was having

a difficult time choosing which one to introduce so I asked my mentor, Jack Norrick, to decide for me. Seedling H33-4 was the one Jack picked. It was introduced in 2006, the year Jack passed on.

The most frustrating aspect of hybridizing has been germination of those precious seeds that you spent so much time and effort to harvest. Well, another really aggravating issue has been moth larva



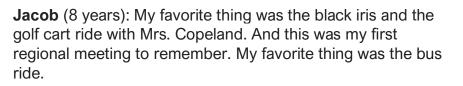
that destroy seeds, sometimes wiping out whole pods. Anyway, back to germination difficulties. At first, the simplest technique was to plant seeds in labeled pots outdoors for the winter. For whatever reasons, this produced variable germination averaging 15-20%. Then I had to decide to keep the ungerminated seeds in the pot for another year or not. Sometimes second year germination was good or not, but too many leftover pots killed this approach. Without going into all the gory details of past techniques, my current approach is to soak the seeds in 1-2% hydrogen peroxide for one to three days and store them in labeled damp paper towel ('burritos') in baggies in the refrigerator for three to four months. The 'burritos' are checked periodically for germination. When it appears that no more germination will occur, all the seeds are planted in pots and stored outside until they are placed in a friend's greenhouse, usually in March. The last two years final germination after planting in pots has been about 60%, the best by far (the average for previous 22 years is 29%).

In retrospect, unless one is very disciplined or focused, too many seedlings can be a liability. For me that means about a thousand seedlings from 2007 to date, too much room and not enough discipline to pitch those not worthy to keep. Case in point, if I had a particular goal, too much time was spent wandering through the seedlings trying to decide which one(s) to use toward the goal. In the end it seems that the best, most unique flowers are growing from subpar plants. Before I whine too much, the hobby obsession has been good for me. It is with eager anticipation one waits to see if any new seedlings inspire an awe for their beauty, vigor, or bud count. I am seldom disappointed. Involvement in the AIS, Region 6, and two iris clubs provided the opportunity to meet my current wife, Barbara Norrick-Bunnell. Yes, she is related to Jack (his daughter). She has been an incredible blessing and companion who enjoys irises as much as I do. The opportunity to proclaim to other not familiar with the Genus Iris the wonders of each class and species has been a joy we've shared. I take delight for any introductions that has pleased the public but cannot take credit for their existence. Only our Maker can create. Thankfully, I've been allowed to assist in that endeavor.

In case anyone is interested, here is my explanation for why 'Dividing Line' won the Dykes medal against very long, historical odds. 1. It is an excellent iris. 2. It got widespread distribution and did well almost everywhere. 3. It won the first and third Ben R Hager Cup giving it untold publicity. 4. 'Dividing Line' had a perfectly descriptive name thanks to my late wife, Linda. I didn't really like the name but could not think of anything better. Thank goodness!

A Youthful Perspective of Spring Meeting

Steven (11 years) The most enjoyable part of the regional meeting was the bus ride and sleeping on the bus. My favorite iris in the gardens was 'Royston Rubies' (Cordes, 2017) which was displaying beautiful bloom in Mason's garden. I loved riding on the golf cart with Mrs. Copeland!







Taavi (10 years): I liked the fish dip! My favorite iris was the creamy white top

and the red falls 'But Darling' (Schreiner, 2016) (photo right) – it was the super tall one at Mason's garden, next to his house.

Bennett (8 years) The fish was really good! The place where the lady was driving the golf cart where the iris that I liked was blooming was my favorite 'Yahtzee' (Johnson, 2007) (photo left). It was really hot!



Mark Your Calendar

Year	Date	Event & Location
2022	September 17	Region 6 Fall Meeting, Fort Wayne area, Host: SWMIS
2023	April 10 - 15	AIS National Convention; Dallas, TX
	TBD	Region 6 Spring Meeting, Host: TCIS
	September 16	Region 6 Fall Meeting, Fort
		Wayne area, Host: TCIS
2024	TBD	Region 6 Spring Meeting
	September 15	Region 6 Fall Meeting

Region 6 Fall 2022 Meeting Registration Form

Saturday, September 17, 2022

Location: Avilla Library 104 Ley St Avilla, IN 46710

Name(s) of those attending:		
Name:	Name:	
Address:	-	
City:		
State:Zip:		How many will be participating in
Phone:		Judges Training?
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Registration includes: coffee, donuts, and luncheon		
Dietary restrictions:		
Registration fee: \$25.00 per person		
Mail this form and your registration fee to: Jim Copeland, Registrar (contact Jim if you have any of 78118 M-40 Lawton, MI 49065 Phone: 269-624-1968 Email: jandjcope@aol.com	questions	3)
Business Meeting Agenda		
10:00 – 12:00 Region 6 Business Meeting 12:00 – 1:00 Lunch 1:00 – 2:00 Judge's Training 2:00 – 3:00 Program 3:00 – 3:15 Break 3:15 – 4:30 Auction		