

BLUEGRASS IRIS SOCIETY

January 2014 Newsletter

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Bluegrass Iris Society will be at the Beaumont branch of the Lexington Public Library. We will discuss the possible public iris garden at the Arboretum, a budget for 2014, and preparations for the Iris Show.

- Program: Ashley Averell (a Judge with the National Garden Club) will present a program about historical Iris botanical art.

The meeting begins at 7pm. The address is 3080 Fieldstone Way, Lexington, KY 40513



'A Little Good News' (Thomas Johnson 2014) SDB

WINTER REGIONAL POTLUCK

Bluegrass Iris Society members will join other irisarians from Kentucky and Tennessee for an overnight potluck and get-together on February 22-23. Most participants will arrive Saturday afternoon and depart at lunchtime on Sunday.

The meeting will be at Henry Horton State Park (about a 5-hour drive; south of Bowling Green); BGIS members will be carpooling. Call or email David (859-396-9691 or david@davidcupps.com) for more information about carpooling.

Hotel rooms can be reserved by calling the lodge at (931) 364-2222. A group rate of \$68.01 (including tax) has been arranged for meeting attendees for Friday and Saturday nights. You should mention the Region 7 Iris Society group number 2577 when you make your reservations.

Call Sue Ann Barnes, regional VP, for more information: (731) 422-5253

DUES ARE DUE!

All members of the Bluegrass Iris Society have the opportunity to renew their memberships for 2014 this month. Please pay your dues by making a check payable to "Bluegrass Iris Society" and mailing it to Mary Lynne's address, right. Your dues make you eligible for door prizes, participation in our private sale, and more! You can also bring your check or cash

to our January meeting.

Dues are \$4/year for individuals, or \$5/year for households.

Mail your dues to:
Mary Lynne Lange
152 Edgemoor Drive
Lexington, KY 40503

HOLD THE DATE! UPCOMING EVENTS FOR BGIS

March 20 - Regular meeting of BGIS at Tates Creek Library, Large Conference Room

May 17 - Annual BGIS Iris Show at Lexington Green Mall

July 26 - Public Iris Sale at Lexington Green Mall

August 7 - Private Rhizome Sale

For more information, email or call David Cupps: (859) 396-9691 or david@davidcupps.com

ONLINE RESOURCES

Bluegrass Iris Society:

www.BluegrassIris.org

American Iris Society: www.irises.org

Iris Encyclopedia: <http://wiki.irises.org>

Region 6 Website: www.aisregion6.org

Region 7 Website: www.aisregion7.org

ETIS Website: www.discoveret.org/etis

LAIS Website: www.lais-ky.org

Catalogs: www.iriscitygardens.com , www.mid-american-garden.com ,
www.schreiniersirsgardens.com , www.draycott-gardens.com , www.suttoniris.com ,
www.cooleysgardens.com , www.flowerfantasy.net , www.ensata.com

MISSION STATEMENT

The purpose of the society shall be to promote an increased interest in all types of Iris and the iris in general in the bluegrass area and to encourage and foster the culture and improvement of the iris, and to promote the interest of the youth in our area, the region and the American Iris Society (AIS).