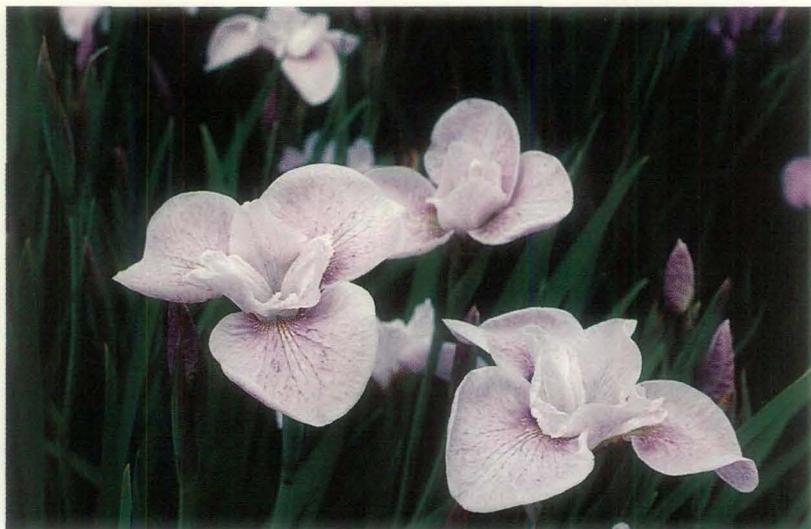


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**Front Cover: Over in Gloryland (Hollingworth '92).
Morgan-Wood Medal winner for 2000**

THE PRESIDENT'S LETTER

The past three years have just flown by! At the beginning of the new year Carol Warner will be your President. Carol and her Nominating Committee really pulled a rabbit out of the hat with an excellent slate of new officers and board members (page 34). It's always a concern in an organization such as ours that good capable people step forward. We are very fortunate to have such good people volunteer to help us with the challenges ahead. So thanks to both the Nominating Committee for a job well done, and to the incoming officers, who have agreed to help. Also thanks to those officers and board members who are leaving office this winter. Some were asked to do a lot, others, not much. Regardless, their contributions were valued and their service appreciated.

Our Siberillenium was our major event this spring. I feel it was a great success. Yes, it would have been nice to see more bloom, and yes it was disappointing that fewer folks attended than we had hoped. But we saw some really beautiful gardens. It was an excellent opportunity to visit with old friends and meet new ones. And the hostas....I believe I saw more hostas in those three days than I had in my entire life up until then! The meeting was really nice. Thanks to Chairman Barry Stoll and everyone involved from the Cedar Valley Iris and Daylily Society for years of sweat and toil.

Thinking of our mini-conventions, it won't be long until we visit Burlington and Hamilton Ontario (June 11-15 2003). At our Board of Directors meeting this June, the Board accepted the Greater Portland (OR) Iris Society's proposal to host a SSI mini-convention in conjunction with the AIS National in May 2006. This will be really exciting!

Our Society was the recipient of Julius Wadekamper's largesse as he donated his complete set of Siberian iris slides. Thank you very much Julius.

Congratulations are due to Bob Hollingworth whose **Over In Gloryland** won the 2000 Morgan-Wood Medal. It is very well deserved. Congratulations also to the Award of Merit winners: John Coble and Bob Bauer for **Sprinkles** and **Mesa Pearl**, runners-up Marty Schafer and Jan Sacks for **Trim the Velvet**, and Currier McEwen for **Harpwell Snowburst**. What an excellent group of Siberian irises.

Finally, this is Judy Hollingworth's last TSI. We should all be very proud and thankful of the job Judy has done in the last 14 years. In my opinion, TSI is the premier publication of all the Sections within the AIS. And although Judy is stepping down as our Editor, she has stepped forward to serve in another capacity (see the Nomination Committee report). Bob and Judy are off to the New Zealand Iris Society's Iris Symposium 2000, where Bob will deliver the paper on Siberians. Meanwhile, Ellen Gallagher has agreed to test her energy and skills as our new editor.

Thank you for your support.
Tom Abrego

SIBERILLENIUM - THE THIRD SIBERIAN CONVENTION, IOWA CITY, IOWA, JUNE 2-4, 2000

Organizers knew weeks ahead that this was going to be another early iris season, and it became obvious as convention time approached that many irises would be bloomed out by the time the 100 registrants arrived in Iowa City.

It was, to say the least, disappointing when after three years of planning, conditions were not ideal. Nevertheless all participants had an enjoyable time with lots of time for personal interactions and camaraderie. It also gave a chance to view late-blooming Siberians which are often not seen at conventions.

Friday afternoon saw the registration table open in the convention hotel and a non-juried show set up. That evening we were treated to a sumptuous dessert buffet followed by slide presentations from John Coble, Bob Hollingworth, Marty Schafer and Dorothy Willott, showing many excellent recent Siberians and opening a window to future Siberian development. Included were multi-petalled and six fall forms plus many new and very different color combinations. It was a most stimulating presentation and it left the room humming with discussion.

Sunday evening was the farewell banquet at which the 1999 Morgan-Wood Medal was presented by President Tom Abrego to Jan Sacks and Marty Schafer for **Roaring Jelly**. The new plaque for Favorite Convention Siberian was presented to Anna Mae Miller for **Purple Sand**. The favorite seedling was Schafer/Sacks S90-37-02 which, according to Jan and Marty, will not be introduced. A lively auction followed with a professional auctioneer adding to the fun. Lyn Stoll projected slides of many of the irises for sale which

was a great idea and made bidding for favorites much easier for the participants. (Ed.)



Jan Sacks and Marty Schafer accepting the 1999 Morgan-Wood Medal from President Tom Abrego

The Blooming Hill Gardens of Lela and Jerry Hardrava

By Anne Hamblin _____

The Hardrava garden is situated on land that has been in their family for over 100 years. Originally a truck garden that supplied local markets with fresh vegetables, it has been converted into extensive perennial beds.

Lela's specialty is the flowers and they were in evidence all over the property. An extensive collection of small statues was positioned throughout the flower plantings, adding interest to the garden. Jerry's interest is hostas and they were beautifully planted on the hillside under a lovely canopy of trees.

Though the season was late, several fine Siberians were in bloom. Anna Mae Miller's **Purple Sand** ('91) Dana Borglum's **Seneca Feather Dancer** ('94) and Marty Schafer's **Ships are Sailing** (98) were all looking great.

There were many mature clumps of Siberians in the Hardrava's own collection that were looking very healthy but were bloomed out.



**Heather Hamblin
Anne's Daughter,
and the Youngest
Registrant at Age
Ten, Elegantly
Dressed for the
Closing Banquet**

The Adams' Garden

By Donna Lowry _____

Having read the description of the garden of Jim and Joy Adams in the convention booklet, I looked forward with anticipation as the bus unloaded. And I was not disappointed. Joy, an art teacher for 31 years, arranges plants, some common and some rare, to compliment each others' color, texture and form. Jim propagates and plants the annuals.

As we walked up the long driveway, we were greeted by huge, old trees underplanted with hostas. The setting of the Adams' home is a limestone bluff overlooking springs and caves surrounded by large beds of mature hostas, which were glorious, and colorful annuals everywhere. Behind the house was a large water garden with a planting of white Siberian irises and a waterfall. Most of the folks enjoyed visiting the caves visible from the side lawn, but I headed for the guest iris beds. As I walked, I discovered arisaemas (jack-in-the-pulpits) tucked into a small bed between two layers of limestone rock.

As I walked, I was attracted to a lovely peony, GAY PAREE, which had cerise-pink guard petals and a white petaloid center. Finally, I came to the guest iris bed where unfortunately many of the guest irises had finished blooming. Among the Schafer-Sacks introductions blooming was one of my favorites **Countess Cathleen** ('97) with very pale blue-violet standards and falls with a darker shoulder edge and veining, a clean white signal, and dainty ruffles. Nearby was Schafer-Sacks seedling S92-119-15 with large yellow flowers (about 4 inches). The standards were slightly lighter in color than the falls, and it had very ruffled style arms.

Standing tall and looking good was **Seneca Night Sky** (Borglum '99) with blue-purple standards, aqua style arms, and dark blue-purple falls with white haft markings. In contrast was **Harpwell Chanteuse** (McEwen '92) blooming a little shorter than normal but a very ruffled creamy white with a greenish yellow signal. Louise Bellagamba was proudly answering questions from those admiring her **Patio Rose** ('93). It is a lovely mauve-rose with a violet vein in the center of the falls.

Elsewhere to be admired was **Lee's Blue** (Bauer and Coble '94) which was a ruffled light blue with wide (almost overlapping) falls and **Elisabeth McEwen** (White '96), a very ruffled pansy purple color with slightly bluer style arms lightening to near white on the edge. I also admired the velvety claret coloring of Bauer-Coble seedling #S95 JE-3 with large flowers (about 5 inches), but I understand that they have decided not to introduce it having chosen a sibling that they consider better.

As we headed back towards the bus, we said goodbye to our delightful host and hostess and thanked them for the hard work that made their garden such a delight to visit.

THE GARDENS OF KRIS AND TOM JURIK

By Cynthia Kermode _____

Our group was treated to a genuine vista as we descended the lovely path to Kris and Tom Jurik's eight acre woodland and field. Making our way to the iris beds we passed by terraced beds of succulents, hostas and a collection of woodland perennials. The Jurik's daughters Kelsi and Jodi charmed us all as they showed us around the extensive plantings.

Although the majority of Siberian bloom was finished in this early-bloom season, there was still a nice collection of beardless irises to be seen. Two versicolors, **Cat Mousam** (Warburton '85) and **China West Lake** (Waddick '96) were in flower. Inter-species hybrids **Roy Davidson** (Hager '87) and **Gerald Darby** (Darby '68) were putting out a last bloom or two and **Krill** (Jill Copeland '97) a Pseudacorus, was showing well. Although it wasn't blooming a **Setosa Norris's White** was still spectacular, covered at 30" with seed pods the size of small TB ones. Quite decorative! I'll have to keep my eye out for this one.

In the Siberian section we were treated to the very last distinctive bloom of the 40 chromosome Siberian **Camouflage** (Witt '66). The Jurik's garden was the only one in which I saw McEwen's **Harpwell Hallelujah** ('83) blooming. Even it's last bloom showing us a tempting beauty. As in many of the gardens, **Gull's Wing** (McGarvey '89) was hard at work pushing out a bevy of bloom. **Mesa Pearl** (Bauer/Coble '93), also a good doer in several gardens was looking pretty and pert in the mist and drizzle. Nearby, **Seneca Blue Rose** (Borglum '93) and **Lavender Stipples** (A.M. Miller '90) were doing the same. Although blooming short this season (as were most Siberians), **Sprinkles** (Bauer/Coble '94) had loads of drawing power with just four opening buds. **Bedford Lass** ('85) and **Serenade in Blue** ('88) two Waite introductions, were looking pretty in shades of blue and holding up quite well in the day's precipitation. Bob Hollingworth's **Shall We Dance** ('92) was going all out in a last swirl of bloom. Similarly, **Borbeleta** (Wadepammer '79) and **Violet Joy** (McEwen '80) were all pushing out a burst of end-of-season bloom for us. Schafer/Sacks' **Just Because** ('94) tempted me with an angular blue-violet bud that just in the process of opening, would surely burst forth as we boarded the bus!

Kris says that the Jurik gardens were a 14 year work-in-progress. What a lovely Siberian display garden central Iowa will have here in the years to come.

Stoll's Walnut Hill Garden

By Jim Wilson

A meandering gravel walk to the garden built a feeling of anticipation, with its occasional mature clumps of named varieties of Siberians and seedlings along the sides. Reaching the central garden itself made all of the convention visitors want to dig in. The main course through the beds was well laid out, providing ample room to admire the plantings. These included rows of daylilies and some of the seedlings from Lynn's hybridizing program. The irises included a master planting of convention guests as well as over 250 residents, planted together to form an integrated impression.

Although peak bloom had already passed, evidence of an excellent season was clear. Over twenty bloom stalks were counted on **Ships are Sailing** (Schafer/Sacks, '98). The other Schafer/Sacks plants in bloom attracted a lot of attention, including **Off She Goes** ('98), a ruffled lavender white with a gold signal and light lavender pink stylearms. **Blackberry Jubilee** ('97) showed its colors as well. **Careless Sally** ('96) and **Riverdance** ('97) made good clumps, and **Drops of Brandy** ('98) was especially dense. Clumps of **Cheery Lynn** (A.M. Miller, '90) and **Sprinkles** (Bauer/Coble, '93) also looked good. These were far from alone; the Siberians throughout the garden were well-grown and vigorous, many with dozens of fans.

Schafer/Sacks Seedling **S92-54-2** was a large rose-violet with white stylearms and turquoise midribs, and a blue flash

around a gold signal. Other interesting seedlings included the Bauer/Coble's blue **S95Y-5** and **S95JE-3**, a multi-petal wine blooming nicely taller than the foliage. Other irises and companion plants provided variety to the beds; *I. fulva* variety **Red Dazzler** was blooming well.

Barry characterizes his cultural practices as tough love, but he does add compost, mulch and a little feeding of 10-10-10 in spring. He likes clean colors, a good plant habit, including plants that never need stakes.

A beautiful tree, a *Syringa reticulata*, stood as the centerpiece, and was loved by birds. Other Hickories and Walnuts helped to frame the garden. Choosing rolling hills in Iowa was wise not only for garden interest, but also to withstand the flooding in the area as occurred in 1993. A pond, serving as a host for species irises as well as trumpeter swans, provided graceful water interest.

Garnishing the garden was a collection of sculpture, including three commissioned pieces by the late Iowa City artist, Eric Shaw. Others, accenting a wide variety of artistic tastes, were acquired by the Stolls on their travels, including a gazing globe from Florida and a whimsical piece from North Carolina made of recycled objects.

A garden of hostas and other woodland plants, seemingly a near-prerequisite for growing Siberians in Iowa, was amply provided, with over 500 in a large shaded area with winding paths, topped by a comfortable gazebo. Some of the newer and interesting hostas included Striptease, Flame Stitch, Torch Light, Medusa, and Tutu.

The garden is certainly worth repeated visits, not only for the work that has gone into it, but also for the warmth and generous stories of the hosts.

The Girton Garden

By Judy Hollingworth

Not only was Lois Girton guest iris chairperson for the convention, but she and husband Jack also had their garden on tour. The garden was immaculate. With help in the last week from visiting friends Siew Keen Quah and Michael Russell from Alberta, they had weeded, trimmed and pruned the garden to perfection

We arrived there in drizzly rain, but, undaunted, made our way to the rear of their house and the Iris Walk. Here were planted some of the guest irises and the Girtons' own Siberian collection. As in the other gardens, Siberians were past peak, but several were worthy of note.

There was a magnificent clump of **Gull's Wing** (McGarvey '89) which was everything a Siberian clump should be. **Purple Sand**, **Mesa Pearl** and **Sprinkles** were all in bloom here as they were in most of the other gardens. Chandler Fulton's **Raspberry Rainbow** ('96) with raspberry pink flowers blending to sky blue and a bright yellow signal was an eye-catcher and a favorite of Jack and Lois's son Jeremy, as well as convention attendees. Bob Hollingworth's **Forrest McCord** ('83) and **High Standards** ('87) were also vying for attention.

Entering the remainder of the garden through a rose covered arch, we saw more guest irises circled around the patio. It was here that Jan and Marty's seedling S90-37-2 garnered all the attention. It was a lovely late blooming dark red which was sent as a guest because of its tendency towards perfect doubling. However it seems to have been unstable and was discarded as a potential introduction in favor of its

grandchildren which have better form and more intense color – almost black!

Ranman (Shidara '99), a multi-petalled light lavender-pink was also blooming well.

Behind the patio in the shade of large trees (Lindens and Locusts) were several desirable plants including the ubiquitous, though beautiful hostas, well integrated with other perennials. There were several unusual coral bells including one called “White Marble” from Shady Oaks nursery, which was particularly beautiful and a pulmonaria Golden Haze, which had irregular gold margins on its foliage.

There were many interesting shrubs, tree peonies, shrub roses from the breeding of Iowan Griffith Buck, Daphnes and Korean Firs, one of which, “Horstmann’s Silberlocke” was the envy of most gardeners present.

This garden has reached its present beautiful condition in only five years – what an accomplishment!

The Iowa Arboretum

By Carla & George Lankow_____

The gem of the Siberian Iris National Convention 2000 was the Iowa Arboretum, founded as a centennial project of the Iowa State University Horticultural Society. This 378-acre Arboretum, of which 40 acres are under cultivation, is located in a beautiful woodland setting along a gravel road not far from the university campus at Ames, Iowa.

We were greeted at the entrance gate by the Arboretum's gray and white cat named Ginkgo (after the tree) and his playmate, a brown thrasher (a native bird) who enjoyed teasing Ginkgo. The entrance gate sign reading "Library of Living Plants" seemed appropriate as we could view large collections of conifers, oaks and nut trees as well as many shrubs and numerous perennial beds. The 119 guest Siberian and Species iris cultivars planted here for the convention with the over 100 permanent Siberian plantings, represents one of the largest Siberian iris collections to be found anywhere.

Adjacent to the entrance gate was a circular Siberian iris bed containing about 20 guest cultivars, which we were told may be a permanent collection. The most spectacular clump was that of **Blueberry Fair** (Hollingsworth '96) with its blue-violet falls and white markings. There also was a sea of the selected yellow *Pseudacorus* **Sunprint** (Hensley '95).

As we walked through a rose arbor behind the entrance bed, we entered a large circular bed containing a collection of Morgan Award and Morgan-Wood Medal winners. It was great to see this assortment of both old and new favorites. Those in full bloom that caught our fancy included **Tycoon** (Cleveland '38), a violet blue self; **White Swirl** (Cassebeer '57), an ivory with bright gold trim; **Ann Dasch** (Varner '77), a blue-purple diploid, and **Aqua Whispers** (A.M. Miller '87), a lavender and white with a turquoise blue signal.

Looking to the right of the award iris planting we saw a large perennial planting of Siberians, both old and new, and daylilies, peonies and decorative grasses. We first approached a large clump of **Sprinkles** (Bauer/ Coble '93), which was just a mass of lavender. Three outstanding whites were **White Triangles** (Warburton '86), and two antiques **Snowy Egret** (Cleveland '39) and *I. sanguinea* **Snow Queen** (Barr 1900).

As we walked deeper into the gardens we came upon a long curving bed of about 70 guest Siberian and Species cultivars. Tom Abrego and Bob Hollingworth, were conducting Judges Training classes here (which unfortunately we had to miss). In this bed, as in many of the convention plantings, many of the stalks were short due to the recent drought and unusually high temperatures that had forced bloom before the stalks were fully developed. A most spectacular bloom was on **Sea of Dreams** (Schafer/Sacks 2000) with its wide-flared light blue flowers with 3 branches and four to five buds per stalk. Four Siberian seedlings caught our eye: a large clump of Bauer/ Coble's S95Y-5 a deep violet with multiple petals; Schafer/Sacks' S90-11-2 a purple with a blue spot and unique markings and squeaky clean foliage; Schafer/Sacks' S92-43-1 a violet with contrasting green-gold signals and Morley's 97-2 a violet with four flowers in bloom. Two species also caught our fancy. The first "I versijack" (Worell '99), a rich red Versicolor with a yellow throat and white markings and the second a sibcolor (a Siberian/Versicolor cross) SV-4 by Mary Betts which formed a 15 inch high clump covered with purple flowers.

In a pretty setting beyond the main guest iris bed was a circular cluster of older Siberians and daylilies under several Redbud trees. In full bloom were Morgan Award winners **Steve Varner** (Briscoe '76), **Pirouette** (Cassebeer '63) and **Vi Luihn** (DuBose'73).

We worked our way up a slight incline to the very picturesque Jones Memorial Gazebo, which was surrounded by a collection of dwarf conifers. The dark stained wood of the Gazebo fit into the setting well and from this higher vantage point we could view nearly all the 40 acres of gardens with their fine collection of trees and shrubs surrounded by thick woodland.

It was now time to work our way back to the buses. On our way we stopped for a rest on a bench overlooking the butterfly garden and a pond bordered by clumps of *I. pseudacorus* and tall cattails. The pond was at the moment somewhat lacking in water due to the drought. Continuing on our way we were sidetracked by a shaded lathe house full of a collection of hostas. Next-door was a shed full of potted hostas for sale at great prices. We were tempted to purchase a few of the more distinctive varieties until realization set in that they would not fit into our suitcases.

The sound of the bus horn sent us back to the bus only to find out that five members of our party were still off wandering in the woods on one of the many trails. We could mention names but they suffered enough from the razzing they received from those kept waiting on their bus.

We appreciated the variety of fine gardens that Barry Stoll, Lois Girton and their Iowa Siberillenum Committee had provided for our enjoyment. The Iowa Arboretum proved to be a fitting ending to two wonderful days of bus touring and renewing friendships with other Siberian addicts.

TEN FAVORITE SIBERIANS AT THE CONVENTION

1. Purple Sand (A. M. Miller '91)	46 votes
2. Mesa Pearl (R.Bauer/J. Coble '93)	37
3. Sprinkles (R.Bauer/ J,Coble '93)	30
4. Gull's Wing (W. McGarvey '89)	25
5. Sea of Dreams (M. Schafer/ J.Sacks 2000)	21
6. Blueberry Fair (R. Hollingworth '97)	19
7. Liberty Hills (A.M.Miller '88)	19
8. Raspberry Rainbow (C. Fulton '95)	17
9. Seneca Feather Dancer (D. Borglum '93)	16
10. Blackberry Jubilee (M.Schafer /J. Sacks '97)	16

POST-CONVENTION GARDEN VISITS

By Dorothy Willott

Since we didn't see many Siberians in bloom at the convention, Tony, Gene Tremmel and I decided to take a detour through Michigan on the way home. Monday morning we scouted out a perennial nursery in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and then made our way to the garden of Jim and Jill Copeland in Lawton, Michigan. In addition to Siberians we saw a number of their white *I. pseudacorus* seedlings and various forms of *I. versicolor* including the striking violet and white **Mysterious Monique** (Knoepnadel '92). There were several gorgeous plantings of the SPEC-X **Aquatic Alliance** (Reid '94). Siberians we liked included **Ships are Sailing** (Schafer/Sacks '97) a brilliant blue bi-tone; their lovely white **Cold Frosty Morning** (2000) and **Drops of Brandy** (Schafer/Sacks '98), a hard to describe pastel with a dark spot in the center.

We spent the night in nearby Kalamazoo and went on to Ensata Gardens a short distance away in Galesburg. John Coble and Bob Bauer showed us around the garden which had suffered a rain storm the previous day, but most stalks were up and showing off. Some noteworthy Bauer/Coble varieties were **Rigamarole** (2000), a double lilac; **Shebang** ('99) , full red violet double; **Giggles** (2000), large light blue and **Magnum Bordeaux** (2000), a large deep red violet. Although not new, Currier McEwen's **Regency Buck** ('85), deep blue violet and **Regency Belle** ('85), a blue violet bi-tone, were spectacular. Tamberg's **Berlin Ruffles** ('93), a large blue violet, and **Berlin Purple Wine** ('93), a deep red violet, were very attractive and made us glad we had obtained them this spring. Hal Stahly's **Moon Silk** ('91) which is near white and pale yellow, was growing taller than it usually

does at home, making quite a show. Some Schafer/Sacks varieties looking good were **Fond Kiss** ('99) rosy pink blend; **Riverdance** ('97), ruffled bright blue with white edge; and **Navy Fanfare** (Warburton '84), a full blue.

After lunch, we stopped at the Hollingworth home garden, but found that most of the irises had been moved to their farm a few miles away. There we saw their **Lavender Fair** (2000), looking as good as the one in the show at Iowa City. Some of the older Hollingworth varieties, **Jewelled Crown** ('87), **Sultan's Ruby** ('88), **Lady Vanessa** ('86), **High Standards** ('87) and **Pas-De-Deux** ('88) were in a display bed along with more recent **Shall We Dance** ('92), a pale, full blue violet; **Somebody Loves Me** ('98), a ruffled medium blue with a large white signal; **Band of Angels** ('96), a deep blue violet with white signal and wire edge; **Strawberry Fair** ('94), a fluted orchid pink; and **Blueberry Fair** ('97), a fluted soft blue violet. There were hundreds and hundreds of seedlings planted in long rows. Judy showed us some that they especially like and we marked about 30 seedlings that we thought were exceptional.

It was dark when we arrived home on Tuesday night, but we found quite a few Siberians still in bloom the next morning. In addition to the Hollingworth varieties seen in their garden, we had **That's My Baby** ('95), a smaller round deep red violet with hardly any signal. Calvin Helsley's **At The Ballet** ('98), ruffled orchid pink, and **Louison** ('98), deep red violet, were also blooming along with McGarvey's late-blooming white **Esther CDM** ('82) and our **Mystic Lagoon** ('91) a wide medium blue with little signal. Just opened was **Patty Kay Hall** (Norrick '98) a nice deep blue with a white signal. We still have more Siberian bloom than they did in Iowa and our first Japanese iris just opened. We also got to see the tail-end of bloom on various *I. versicolor* forms and our white *I. pseudacorus* seedlings.

SPRING 2000 IN MARYLAND

By Carol Warner _____

The bloom season in Maryland is winding to a close but it was one of the best that I can remember. **Demure Illini** (Varner '85) took queen of our show last week beating out a perfect three bloom stalk of the Tall Bearded, **Song of Norway**. My bloom has lasted for over three weeks and there will still be bloom for another week or so. We are running about two weeks ahead of "normal" bloom time on everything. The earliest bloom started with **Windwood Serenade** Bob Hollingworth's 1990 introduction, **Sweet Surrender** (Hollingworth '92), **Indy** (Hollingworth '85) and **Dance Ballerina Dance** (Varner '83). **Sweet Surrender** still has one flower left open. Those that have impressed me the most this season have been: **Spirit of York** (Bush '85), **Pink Sparkle** (Hager '85), **Tropic Night** (Morgan '37), **Esther C.D.M.** (McGarvey '82), **Jaybird** (Hager '82), **Harpowell Snowburst** (McEwen '91), **Harpowell Velvet** (McEwen '91), **High Standards** (Hollingworth '87) and **Shaker's Prayer** (Warner '90). All of these are older varieties but still offer exceptional landscape appeal.

The Siberian guests that are in my garden for the 2001 AIS Convention in York, PA, were planted over a year ago. They all bloomed and show some new improvements in color and form. Most were short and some had the terrible tendency to open two flowers at once right on top of each other, but hopefully they will perform better next season when so many people will be here to see them. All of Marty Schafer and Jan Sacks' introductions from 1999 bloomed. I was most impressed with **Ships are Sailing** ('98) and **Summer Revels** ('99).

Everyone's favorite guests were Bob Hollingworth's 1998 introduction **Somebody Loves Me** (soon to be called "Everybody Loves Me") and **Ships are Sailing**.

I have never been a fan of the multi-petaled varieties but this year they really looked good. Mr. Shidara's **Nagaraboshi** ('99) and **Parasol** ('99, formerly "Harasugata") made lovely garden clumps. The multi-petals from Bob Bauer and John Coble looked remarkably well. **Kabluey** ('99) and **Shebang** ('99) were organized in appearance, grew well and bloomed on first year plants.

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SIBERIAN BEAUTIES

In the Spring issue of TSI, I promised you a centerfold of Siberian beauties –well here they are. Not quite what you expected perhaps, but certainly an ornament to the center pages.

On page 22, we have from left to right-top to bottom:

Kris Jurik discussing her garden with Don Lovell, a fellow Iowan.

Carol Warner, president elect of the Society for Siberian Irises.

Carla Lankow, finding inspiration in the Girton garden.

Gull's Wing in magnificent clump formation

On page 23:

Chad Harris, the bearer of great news regarding a Portland, Oregon Convention in 2006

Andy Wheeler, young hybridizer, and potential future star in the Siberian world.

Jan Sacks, of the outstanding Schafer/Sacks hybridizing team.

Lois Girton, garden owner extraordinary

All these photos were taken in Lois and Jack Girton's Garden





AIS AWARDS FOR SIBERIANS FOR THE YEAR 2000

	hybridizer	votes
MORGAN-WOOD MEDAL		
Over in Gloryland	Robert Hollingworth	174
<i>Runners up:</i>		
Rill	Louise Bellagamba	50
Moonsilk	Harold Stahly	46
AWARD OF MERIT		
Sprinkles	R. Bauer/ J. Coble	90
Mesa Pearl	R. Bauer/ J. Coble	83
<i>Runners up:</i>		
Trim the Velvet	M. Schafer/ J. Sacks	59
Harpwell Snowburst	Currier McEwen	56
HONORABLE MENTION		
Blueberry Fair	Robert Hollingworth	89
Where Eagles Dare	Calvin Helsley	61
Riverdance	M. Schafer/ J.Sacks	46
Blackberry Jubilee	Schafer/Sacks	33
<i>Runners up:</i>		
Little Blue Sparkler	Sarah Tiffney	37
Harpwell Snow	Currier McEwen	2

OVER IN GLORYLAND AND ALL THAT JAZZ -- Morgan-Wood Medal Winner for 2000

By **Bob Hollingworth**

Preferences in music seem to depend a lot on what you listen to as a teenager. That's when I first heard New Orleans jazz and I have never lost my love for it. It even survived my rudimentary attempts to play it in college. Whenever I get down to Big Easy I find a way to spend an evening at Preservation Hall to hear the music in its original setting. It's always a highlight for me when they play *Over in the Gloryland* - an old gospel faithful that's bold and brassy and really swings in righteous hands. So it just needed the right iris to show up to match flower and music. That happened in 1987 in a cross between a colchicine-induced deep blue-purple tetraploid sib of **Jewelled Crown** and another blue tetraploid involving **Dreaming Spires** and **Cambridge** in its background. The seedling, 85B3B10, stood out dramatically from its siblings in the cross which were mostly quite ordinary. Deep blue-purple and rhythmically ruffled like its parent, but lit up by a clean brassy signal pattern on the falls, **Over in Gloryland** had been found. Its vigor was excellent and branching adequate. Pretty much everyone that saw it fell in love with it and it took no great introspection to decide to introduce it. Curiously, for several years it seemed to give no seeds, despite repeated attempts, and I had almost given up using it for crosses before the first seedpod appeared. Now I have concluded that its fertility is not so different from other tetraploids and the early frustrations were just a run of bad luck. Many seedlings have the deep color and bold patterning of the parent, but so far I haven't found anything that is a clear improvement, though I do have hopes for a cross that first bloomed last year. John White did better when he crossed **Over in Gloryland** with **Golden Edge** to produce his dramatic **Dirigo Black Velvet**.

Now, after winning the Morgan-Wood medal, you can be sure that if they don't play "Gloryland" when we get down to Preservation Hall, there will be a request (and the necessary monetary inducement) to make sure it's on the program.

WATER SIBERIANS IN THE WINTER? WHAT IS THE WORLD COMING TO?

By Judy Hollingworth_____

"I have had to water my irises both bearded and beardless at various points through the winter for the last five years."

Lynda Love, TSI, Fall 1998, p.5

Water in the winter? Surely not. Perhaps in dry Colorado where Lynda gardens, but certainly not in Michigan. Besides, one needs some down-time and those months from mid-November to April are for catching up on everything not attended to during iris season.

Well, so my mind worked until this spring when examining line-outs set in the ground in the fall of '99, we noticed very few shoots emerging. These were starts from husky clumps that had been divided up for further evaluation. They had not been separated into single fans (often a prescription for disaster) but were nice divisions. They were well-watered in with rooting compound and autumn rains had kept them actively growing roots.

Then came the problem, or so we think. The winter of '99-2000 was a mild one and dry: no snow cover to speak of, and very little rain. I had just assumed that since the ground had frozen, no further care of the Siberians was necessary. A dry early spring compounded the problem and it has taken all

spring and summer and a lot of care to get these plants back to the condition they were in when planted out last fall. Some didn't make it. Digging down in April showed absolutely no moisture in the top several inches of soil.

Sharon Whitney from Maine mentioned that one of her customers in Missouri had lost Siberians over winter due to dry conditions, so perhaps this is not as rare as I had supposed. But surely not in Michigan!

I would be interested to know how many people who are not in Mediterranean climates water their irises in the winter. Perhaps it's common – but nobody told me!

A SIBROB SURVEY

By Bill Dougherty

As a new AIS judge, I faced the challenge of voting my first award ballot this year. I have been growing Siberian irises for a decade and try to keep up on the latest introductions, but when confronted by the awards ballot I found my experience inadequate. I questioned fellow judges on the Siberian candidates for Morgan–Wood Medal, Award of Merit, and Honorable Mention and found a similar problem. The task of a judge is to grow or inspect garden candidates for a couple of years in order to arrive at a decision about their merits.

I then put a question to the members (some of them fellow AIS judges) in the sibrob. The sibrob is an e-mail Siberian list service with approximately 140 members. I asked these Siberian lovers to respond to an informal poll. I asked questions about the Siberian candidates for the Award of Merit. These hybrids were introduced from five to nine years

ago and should be familiar to most Siberian enthusiasts. Members were asked if they had seen (by any method) or grown hybrids listed as candidates. I received 24 responses:

AM Candidates Survey

24 total responses

	Grow	Seen
Fairy Fingers	7	-
Golden Edge	8	-
Harpwell Chanteuse	1	4
Harpwell Snowburst	7	-
Lee's Blue	5	3
Mesa Pearl	13	3
Patio Rose	5	2
Sprinkles	13	2
Trim The Velvet	9	1

3 had not seen or grown any candidates

Most respondents reported seeing first or second year bloom.

This is a very informal survey and the number of total responses is statistically inadequate. It does, however, provide some direct information for the hybridizers whose plants were involved.

It leaves me with one question that I put to the SSI membership as a whole. Are we doing a good job of putting Siberians in the forefront of the iris-loving public?

If you want to respond to this article you can e-mail me at 103225.2126@compuserve.com.

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Compiled by Howard Brookins_____

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LATE BREAKING NEWS

Jennifer Hewitt wrote to let me know that the British Iris Society has done it again! The Dykes Medal has been awarded to a Siberian iris for the second consecutive year. The winner for 2000 is Cy Bartlett's **Perfect Vision** ('96). The flower has medium blue standards, dark medium blue falls and is a cross of **Harpwell Happiness** X **Berlin Ruffles**. *Ed.*

AN EXPRESSION OF THANKS

The following poem was sent to me by Kevin Morley who wishes to express his thanks for all the support he and his family received after their dreadful car accident earlier this year in which he and daughter Caitlin were very badly injured. (Ed.)

*Perhaps you sent a lovely card
Or said a special prayer
Perhaps you lit a candle
Or brought candles to share
Perhaps you sent a special meal
Or sent a thoughtful gift
Maybe you put our family
On a prayer chain or list
Maybe you helped in the garden
Or spent time with the girls
Maybe you paid us a visit
Or spoke kind, sympathetic words
Whatever you did to help us
Through our difficult times
We want to thank you
Whatever your part, we know it
Came from the heart*

Kevin and Caitlin are healing physically. As a family we are healing mentally and spiritually. We are grateful for our lives

THE MORLEY FAMILY

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SOCIETY FOR SIBERIAN IRISES, JUNE 2, 2000, IOWA CITY, IA

By Ellen Abrego _____

The meeting was called to order by President Tom Abrego at 5:35 p.m. Attending were President Tom Abrego, First Vice-President Carol Warner, Second Vice-President Barrett Stoll, Editor Judy Hollingworth and Directors Bob Hollingworth, Bob Bauer, Howard Brookins, Marty Schafer and Jim Wilson. Guests included Jim and Jill Copeland, Roy Epperson, Chad Harris, Jan Sacks, Ellen Abrego, Shirley Pope and Ellen Gallagher.

Ellen Abrego was asked to take the minutes in the absence of the Secretary. The minutes of our 1999 meeting, as printed in the Fall 1999 TSI were approved as corrected. Howard Brookins pointed out an inaccuracy regarding the cost of checklists. The 6 for \$10.00 offer is good for on-site purchases only.

Treasurer Jim Holmes sent his report. The Income Statement for calendar year 1999 showed decreased income and increased expense. A discussion of this and examination of our Balance Sheet indicates that we are in a strong financial position with a healthy cash reserve. Jim is moving to North Carolina and would like to resign before his term ends, to avoid opening new accounts only to move them soon.

Membership Chairman Howard Brookins reported that he printed 560 labels for the Spring TSI. Howard said he is trying to get his computer program to print the expiration date on the mailing label. Howard also suggested it would be a good idea to have a copy of the membership database on someone else's computer, as a backup. Carol Warner said that it is important that the Nominating Committee have a copy of the current membership. There was considerable discussion on our membership policy. It was moved and accepted that new members will receive benefits for the calendar year in which they join, membership will be from January

to December of that year, and will not be dependant on the month of joining.

Editor Judy Hollingworth announced that after 14 years as our Editor, this fall's TSI will be her last. She was commended for the excellent job she has done. Ellen Gallagher, who has agreed to become our new editor was introduced.

Carol Warner reported that the Nominating Committee has two candidates, Roy Epperson as our First Vice-President and Dana Borglum as Director. Carol expressed optimism that her committee would find a Second Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and another Director before the weekend was over.

Slide Chairman Bob Hollingworth stated we have two good sets of Siberian iris slides, but there is always a need for good slides. It was also suggested that we develop a set of slides of historic Siberian irises. Tom Abrego reported that Julius Wadekamper has given his slides of Siberian irises to SSI.

Although Display Garden Chairman Bill Smoot did not send a report, there was considerable discussion on display gardens. Carol Warner stated that there is an active ongoing discussion on the subject on the internet. Barry Stoll told how the Daylily and Hosta Societies handle display gardens and suggested we develop standards for display gardens. It was felt we need to raise awareness on display gardens, both in soliciting and developing new ones, and also advertising existing ones. Bill Smoot will be encouraged to get something in TSI on display gardens.

Tom Abrego reported on the progress of our attempts to incorporate and achieve 501(C)(3) status. He said that he learned at the Dallas convention that there had been a miscommunication with the AIS and the SSI was not cued in a timely manner on how to proceed. He also stated that he had just received a packet from Bob Plank of the AIS with proposed changes to our By-laws. Tom stated that the copies needed to be proofread. After doing so he would distribute them to the Board (by mail) for consideration. Roy Epperson said that he was very familiar with the process and

volunteered to help. Bob Bauer, who has just recently done this with the SJI also volunteered his help.

It was suggested that the Invitation to Join brochure be redone. The text is fine but changing addresses render it obsolete. Howard Brookins suggested that the Commercial Directory part of the brochure be made as an insert, to allow us more flexibility. Tom Abrego had a price quote for the reprinting of the brochure, but will have to redesign the brochure and get a new quote.

Chad Harris, representing the Greater Portland (OR) Iris Society (GPIS) proposed to host a SSI mini-convention in May 2006. This would be held in conjunction with the AIS National held in Portland that spring. He said some of the gardens would be on the AIS tour, others not. Our meeting would include a day of touring guest gardens not on the AIS tour (and having a complete set of guests), a banquet and an auction. The motion to accept the GPIS proposal was passed.

Tom Abrego reported that he had been approached with the idea that the 40 chromosome Siberian irises be considered their own category for AIS awards. Response to this was tepid and it was suggested this be tabled for future discussion.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

Submitted by Carol Warner _____

The nominating committee submits the following slate of candidates for office in The Society for Siberian Irises. If approved, the term of office will be from January 1, ~~1998~~ to December 31, 2000. 2003 2001

President: Carol Warner
1st Vice President: E. Roy Epperson
2nd Vice President: Judy Hollingworth

Directors: Dana Borglum
Katharine Steele
Secretary Marjorie Jansen
Treasurer Jim Copeland

The bylaws require that these nominations be sent to all voting members of SSI by November 15, 2000. Publication in TSI fulfills this requirement. If no additional nominations have been made within four weeks, the slate is to be considered elected.

Additional nominations may be made in writing, signed by at least eight members "acting in concert," that is, all signing the same nomination petition, and sent to the chairman of the nomination committee by December 13, 2000 together with a letter of consent from each candidate. In this event, the elections Committee shall prepare a ballot including all nominations, and designating those made by the nominating committee. The ballot shall be mailed to all voting members no later than January 15, 2001 with instructions for voting by mail. Ballots must be returned to the Elections Committee no later than February 1, 2001.

LAST WORD

The end of a millenium seems an appropriate time to retire and this issue of TSI will be my last. With it, I will have completed fourteen years in the job, certainly long enough for one person. I think it's good for the society to have an infusion of new blood and time for me to catch up with some other things.

I have enjoyed the experience immensely and I'll miss the interactions with people and the feeling of having a finger on the pulse of SSI. I learned a lot about Siberians and also about the mechanics of putting a publication together (I had no idea what color separations and blue lines were when I started).

It wasn't a solo effort. My husband Bob was a great resource on Siberians and a reliable critic. As any good partner should be, he was tough when necessary and soft when required (and maddeningly late sometimes when I needed his input). I think his greatest contribution was furnishing the many excellent photographs that I used. My daughter-in-law Liz was a willing proofreader, though she was at times exasperated by my "British-isms".

Jean Witt kept me straight on species matters and was always timely and helpful with prompt replies to my questions. George Waters, who encouraged me in my plan to introduce color to TSI, advised me on the process of getting good separations produced and often sent letters warm in their praise and helpful in their encouragement. The Hunt Institute for Botanical Documentation at Carnegie Mellon University let me use several of their Siberian prints as color covers asking for no publication fee.

And then there was everyone else. A perusal of the last 28 issues will show you how many people contributed. A publication is a reflection of its members. Ours are bright, intelligent and committed. I thank you all.

INTRODUCING YOUR NEW EDITOR

A LITTLE BIT ABOUT ELLEN GALLAGHER,

By herself _____

The gardener

As a gardener, I always feel obliged to share the fact that I live in the far Northern White Mountains of New Hampshire in the northeast US. We live and garden in USDA Zone 3 where the thermometer can register a low of -40 degrees

Fahrenheit in the winter. The only real problem is the very short growing season.

Irises do very well here, especially Siberians, which adapt well to our temperate rain forest climate. Bearded irises, principally the Median classes also thrive, as well as lilies which are planted in raised beds.

Background

I was born in Massachusetts in a little town named Adams which is home to the tallest peak in the state, Mount Greylock. It seems that I have followed the eastern mountains all my life. Raised on a farm in a small village in southern Vermont my gardening and love of the land stems from this beginning. My mother was a grower of irises (Tall Bearded, shhh) and I weeded her flower gardens. My village school used to sell packages of seeds (flowers and vegetables) every spring to raise money and my mother said she would buy several packets if I would agree to plant them. So I started a rock garden (searching for the rocks and hauling them in) and planted it with the plants raised from the seeds. That began, at age nine, the enrichment of my life with flowers.

Editing background

I was the Editor of my high school and college newspapers and for a short while I worked on a daily newspaper as a reporter. I also worked for three years as a technical editor at a Boston engineering firm and as a research editor in North Carolina. More recently, I was a social worker and a teacher in the Philadelphia, PA area.

Family life

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Andy (long-suffering husband) and I are empty nesters (but don't tell that to the dogs) and luckily, have two grandchildren who live within driving distance. We moved two years ago to a new house and we are still working diligently to get the gardens up to speed.

SSI

I have been a member of the society for six years and I also belong to AIS. The iris people that I have met are a special lot and Siberian fanciers are an especially terrific group.

I and six hardy souls started an e-mail Siberian robin in March of 1997 and, as of today, we number 153. If you have computer and a modem, please consider joining us. For more information on the Sibrob (our e-mail robin), contact: I.siberica@operamail.com.



Ellen at home with her dogs Riley and Kayla.

SIBERIAN – SPECIES CONVENTION 2003

Date: June 12-15, 2003,

**Location: Burlington/Hamilton, Ontario,
Canada.**

**(Main display garden and center of activities is at the
Royal Botanical Gardens (RBG))**

Information for submission of guest iris to the convention

We will be accepting:

Spring 2001 shipments - until April 30

Autumn 2001 Shipments - until September 15

Canadian hybridizers will send guest iris directly to RBG in Canada.

USA hybridizers may send iris directly to RBG in Canada (required phyto to be supplied by sender for direct to Canada shipments) OR iris may be sent to the USA collection point in Buffalo. No phyto required for shipment from within USA to the Buffalo, NY collection point. The contact and address for the USA collection point is:

Peter Weixlmann

280 Seneca Creek Road

West Seneca, NY 14224

E-mail: pweixl@aol.com

Europeans/other foreign hybridizers should send guest iris directly to RBG in Canada (any required certification to be provided by sender). Contact the Guest iris registrar David Schmidt at the RBG for import information if necessary.

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Phone 905-527-1158 ext 279, Fax 905-577-0375

Photographs: We are requesting that hybridizers send a 35

mm color slide of each of their submissions. Please mark them clearly with the name or seedling number of the iris. We will use these in one of our evening convention programs to help increase exposure for the irises.

Guidelines: Three to five divisions of each variety may be shipped. The name of the variety or seedling number must be clearly marked on each division. In addition, the following information for each plant must be supplied on a packing list:

Hybridizer name and address

Name or seedling number of variety

Category/type of iris (Siberian, species, etc.)

Height, color, description, bloom season (E, M, L)

Year of introduction (if applicable)

If a guest seedling is named subsequent to shipping to the convention, it is the responsibility of the hybridizer to notify the Guest Iris Chairman not later than January 1, 2003.

Disposition of Guest iris after the convention: Please include information as to the disposition of irises after the convention. We can offer the following alternatives:

1. Destruction of the iris.

2. Return of the iris to the hybridizer. Unfortunately due to the fact that plants require a phytosanitary certificate and cross-border shipping there will be a charge for this service, still to be determined but likely to be approx. \$ 25-30.

3. Donation of the iris to the RBG, Canadian Iris Society, and West New York Iris Society for permanent display plantings or such dispersal as they see fit.

(We hope that participating hybridizers will opt for the third choice. The absence of instructions will automatically indicate this option).

The convention committee and owners of tour gardens will follow the code of ethics as printed in the AIS Convention Handbook. Only officially submitted guest irises will appear in the convention booklet.

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A Favorite Siberian at the Iowa Convention

