



# Sydney B. Mitchell Iris Society

Friday, July 27th, 2012  
is the date of our SBM  
Bearded Iris Rhizome  
Sale & Auction  
(7:30-10:00 pm)

above: Rhizomes! we got rhizomes!



(come early to help set up the billions of rhizomes!)

7:30 pm - 10:00 pm Bearded Iris Rhizome Sale & Auction

& *distribution of this year's doorprize iris*

Meetings are free and open to the public, all are eligible to win doorprizes!

Lakeside Park Garden Center ~ 666 Bellevue Avenue, Oakland

(see page 3 for directions)



## Bearded Iris RHIZOME SALE & AUCTION!

We will be auctioning off many 2010 and 2011 introductions.

**DOOR PRIZE IRIS:** Door prize iris won during 2011-2012 meetings will be distributed at the rhizome sale on July 27th. If you will not be able to attend, please call Marjorie Murray at 525-3397 to make other arrangements for pickup.

- 1) **Bring your named iris rhizomes to the auction and sale this Friday. Please contribute so we can have a big sale!** (2009 & newer for auction, older for sale)
- 2) A Sharpie pen is ideal for writing the name/ID of the iris, on an INSIDE leaf of the trimmed fan.
- 3) Invite your friends and neighbors -- Let's all help publicize this event -- it's our major fund raiser of the year!

We also need help for the sidewalk sale the following day - contact Ray Vickers-Traft at (510) 839-9647 if you are able to work a shift at the sidewalk sale tables.

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

## SBMIS Rhizome Auction & Sale and Sidewalk Rhizome Sale

Please come out and support SBMIS in our annual fundraising events, the rhizome sale & auction and sidewalk rhizome sale.

Please bring in your less-recently-introduced iris for the sales table at the auction, and for the sidewalk sale. 2009 and newer iris are good for the auction, older ones are OK for sale tables and for the sidewalk sale.

We can even sell un-named iris at the

sidewalk sale, if you know the color.

We also get requests from the public for iris that will grow in less than full sun, so if you have pots of Pacific Coast iris or other shade-tolerant iris, bring those to the sidewalk sale.

Come to the auction (or sidewalk sale) & buy lots of iris to support the club! Let's make this a very successful fundraiser for SBMIS!

-- Jean Richter

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<b>Friday July 27th</b> Sydney B. Mitchell Bearded Iris Rhizome Auction & Sale	7:30 pm - 10 pm	<b>SBM Bearded iris rhizome auction &amp; sale</b>
<b>Saturday July 28th</b> 9 am - 2 pm	Resurrection Lutheran Church parking lot 397 Euclid Avenue Oakland, California (near Grand Avenue)	<b>SBM Bearded iris rhizome sidewalk sale</b>
<b>Friday August 24th</b> Sydney B. Mitchell meeting		Meeting, SBM (program TBA)
<b>Late September 2012</b>	To be arranged!	<b>SBM annual potluck!</b>
<b>Friday October 26th 2012</b>		<b>SBM Beardless iris auction &amp; sale</b>

A couple of iris that we should have in the auction are Adventurous (info & picture in May 2012 newsletter) and Fusion & Mimosa (info & pictures in June 2012 newsletter).

**American Iris Society (AIS) Dues can be mailed**

**to** Tom Gormley - AIS Membership Secretary  
205 Catalonia Avenue / P.O. Box 177  
DeLeon Springs, FL 32130  
Phone and fax: 386-277-2057  
E-mail: aismemsec@irises.org  
\$25.00 single, \$30.00 dual.  
See www.irises.org/

Check your AIS membership status: Need to know your membership expiration date? expiration date for club members or your Region's members for Affiliation? www.aislookup.org

Please pay your 2012 **SBMIS Membership Dues** ~ please give to Bonnie Petheram, or send checks made out to Sydney B. Mitchell Iris Society to Bonnie at 1226 High Street, Alameda, CA 94501. \$10 household.

**Historic Iris Preservation Society (HIPS)** dues can be mailed to HIPS Membership: Judy Eckhoff, 7911 South Yoder Road, Haven, KS 67543  
E-mail: judye@msinter.net  
\$10.00 single annual, \$12.00 dual annual.  
www.hips-roots.com

Directions to the Garden Center:

666 Bellevue Avenue, Oakland

**From the north or west:** take Highway 580 or 24 to 980; take the West 27th Street/Grand Avenue exit, turn left on 27th Street, go east to Grand Avenue, watch for Lake Merritt on the right, take a left on to Grand Ave., then a right at the stoplight into the park. Proceed on Bellevue to the Garden Center. **From the south or east:** take the Lakeside (Lake Merritt) or Grand Ave. exit in Oakland; follow around the lake on the north and west side to Grand Ave. and Bellevue, turn left into the park.

Proceed to the Garden Center, park on either side of the road. We hope you can come -- everyone is welcome!

[On weekends only -- Expect to pay \$5.00 at the toll booth to park.

**AC Transit Bus** -- AC Transit bus #12 runs on Grand near the entrance to the park -- check transit before planning, as routes do change.

<http://tripplanner.transit.511.org>

By phone -- Dial 511 and say, "AC Transit," to speak with a person about route info

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**The Spring/Summer 2012 Region 14  
newsletter**

is now available. As before, regional bulletins are now online only. They're emailed to members who the club has email addresses for, and can be viewed on the Region 14 website [www.aisregion14.org](http://www.aisregion14.org) under the "Bulletins" link. Jean will be bringing a couple of printouts to the auction for non-computer-using folks - please call me (864-7962) if you'd like a printout and don't have access to a computer.

**IRIS RHIZOME SIDEWALK SALE**

**Saturday, July 28, 2012**

**9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

Resurrection Lutheran Church parking lot  
397 Euclid Avenue

Oakland, California (near Grand Avenue)

Bearded iris rhizomes available for sale at very reasonable prices!

Knowledgeable club members will be on hand to provide tips on growing iris. (see map below)

*A Sydney B Tradition!  
We have members who for various reasons find it difficult or impossible to come to meetings. One of the issues is transportation. This could become a nice SBM tradition -- inviting, and arranging to bring, members to our meetings. Makes everyone happy!*



Global warming is here—you know what to do  
SBMIS Newsletter -- Gesine Lohr  
1226 High Street, Alameda, CA 94501

