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**JANUARY 2016** – no newsletter

**FEBRUARY 2016** – Photo of ‘Concertina’ and **blurb about Space Age Irises, Tips** – time to fertilize and who might be eating irises off at the crowns, Blurb on **TAIS booth at Home Show**, Quote – “Gardening is better than therapy, and you get tomatoes.” - author unknown

**MARCH 2016** – Photo of and **blurb about ‘Beverly Sills,’ “Irises” or “Iris?” – both are correct**, Ideas for the Rhizome Sale, **Blurb on the Dykes Medal** and photo of ‘Gypsy Lord,’ Blurb on AIS Region 15, **Top 10 favorites from the AIS list of 100**, Report and photos from the February meeting, photos of ‘Hawaiian Sunrise,’ Test/Club irises in Yuma, **Tip** - soak rhizome in stimulator solution at the time of planting, toss in some low nitrogen fertilizer, and water, Quote – “Gardening is a matter of your enthusiasm holding up until your back gets used to it.” - author unknown

**APRIL 2016** – Photo of and **blurb about ‘Dots and Splashes,’ article on TAIS Test/Club Iris Program, “Back to Some Basics:” article on fertilizer, Photos of 2016 Introductions by Mid-America Gardens**, Quote – “If you have a garden and a library, You have everything you need.” by Marcus Tullius Cicero

**MAY 2016** – Photos and **article on our relationship with the iris garden at the Tucson Botanical Gardens, Iris 101 article with abbreviations used with irises**, Photos of ‘Modern Drama’ and ‘Swerti,’ Notice of May seed exchange, **Diagrams of iris parts, Article and photos from the Iris Show: ‘Revere’** (won Viewer’s Choice in 2014, 2015, and 2016!). ‘Greatest Show on Earth,’ LA ‘Rooster,’ LA ‘Edna Clutch,’ and ‘Bravery,’ Quote – “Flowers are restful to look at. They have neither emotions, nor conflict.” by Sigmund Freud

**JUNE 2016** – Blurb on donating rhizomes for the Sale and tips on photographing them for same, Photo of ‘Hawaiian Sunset,’ **Overview article on Bearded Irises with size distinctions and some growing tips**, Photos of ‘Gypsy Lord’ and ‘Dots and Splashes,’ **Duties of the Publicity Chair**, Blurb on changes to the by-laws, Quote - Your mind is a garden, your thoughts are the seeds. You can grow flowers, or you can grow weeds. - author unknown

**JULY 2016** – **Article on Louisiana irises** from Zydeco Louisiana Iris Garden’s website – with photos and growing tips, **Duties of the Membership Chair, Article on the plicata pattern, Definition of the Batik pattern** with photo of ‘Bewilderbeast,’ **Report on Test/Club irises** by Kristee with photos of ‘Cozy Cotton,’ ‘Treasure Trader,’ **Agreement between TAIS and Tucson Botanical Gardens**, Quote – “Remember that children, marriage and flower gardens reflect the kind of care they get.” by Jackson Brown, Jr.

**AUGUST 2016** – **Article on Iris Culture in Tucson** from the TAIS brochure sold at Rhizome Sale, Article on **Spuria Iris** - adapted from American Iris Society booklet: Basic Iris Culture – with photos and some growing tips, Notice about Rhizome Sale, Photos of ‘Kah-Nee-Ta,’ ‘Raspberry Swirl,’ and ‘Montmartre,’ **Report on Test/Club irises** by Roger, **Ideas for themed iris beds** at Tucson Botanical Gardens, Quote – “The glory of gardening: hands in the dirt, head in the sun, heart with nature. To nurture a garden is to feed not just on the body, but the soul.” by Alfred Austin

**SEPTEMBER 2016** – Announcements, mostly regarding the upcoming Rhizome Sale

**OCTOBER 2016** – Report and photos from the Rhizome Sale, Announcements

**NOVEMBER 2016** – Article about the Rhizome Sale, October Meeting Minutes, **Photos of Test/Club Irises** belonging to the Kutz household, **Photos of new rootlets that developed in water**, What to do in the Iris Garden this Month, Blurb on **fleur-de-lis as a stylized iris**, Quote – “Since Iris is the Greek goddess for the Messenger of Love, her sacred flower is considered the symbol of communication and messages. Greek men would of-ten plant an iris on the graves of their beloved women as a tribute to the goddess Iris, whose duty it was to take the souls of women to the Elysian fields.” - Hana No Monogatari: The Stories of Flowers

**DECEMBER 2016** – Photo: ‘Jennifer Stout,’ November Meeting Minutes and photos, **Reblooming Iris Care**, **Photos from Tucson Botanical Garden**, **‘Snow Flurry’ article and photo**, **Importance of Historic Irises article and some sources for purchasing them**, **Photos of some late blooming irises**, What to do in the Iris Garden this Month, **Tips** – plant markers and marking on them, **Blurb on orris root**, Quotes – “Begin doing what you want to do now. We are not living in eternity. We only have this moment, sparkling like a star in our hand and melting like a snowflake.” by Sir Francis Bacon and "Thou art the Iris, fair among the fairest, Who, armed with golden rod And winged with the celestial azure, bearest The message of some God." by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, Iris