

Region 8 meeting  
August 25, 2007  
Sparta, Wisconsin

Members and guests present: Jim and Jean Morris, speakers for the day. Andy and Lynn Fell, Barbara and John Sautner, Wally Dohne, Jack Worel, Bill Dougherty, Char Holte, two guests.

The program presented by Jim and Jean Morris from St. Louis, Mo. was on Historic Iris and their hybridizers.

Jack Worel reported that he sent a letter to Judy Kiesling asking if a retired judge can still judge a show. Our region doesn't have very many judges and he felt that the retired judges are still needed to be able to judge.

How do we get more people to attend our meetings? One of the guests brought an article which was posted in the LaCrosse newspaper. This article did draw about 5 people who would not have come to our meeting. Most came to buy iris but a couple stayed for the meeting.

The budget for 2008 will be the balance of Region 8 monies. Will any money be coming from affiliates?

The ISM donated all proceeds from the Iris sale today to Region 8.

Char Holte asked that the newsletter articles be copyrighted. She would give permission if someone wanted to negotiate the use of said articles.

Jack Worel reported an addition to the requirements of being an AIS judge. They will need to complete 2 hours every 3 years of in the garden training.

Jack will be visiting the 2010 AIS convention garden sites.

A motion to end the meeting was moved by Barbara Sautner and seconded by Char Holte. Meeting adjourned for the program and judge's training session.

Submitted by Barbara Sautner, secretary