

Greater Rochester Iris Society
an affiliate of the American Iris Society
March 2023 newsletter

Winter has finally decided to show its face, although it seems to be trying to make up for being so late this year! What will this spring bring? We just don't know how it will affect our gardens, we just have to wait and see.

But we will be having our March meeting on Sunday, March 12th. It will be at 2 pm at our usual place, St. John's Episcopal Church Hall, 12 Episcopal Ave. Honeoye Falls, NY. Just in time for your planting preparations will be a discussion on Iris Companion Planting; what will work best in your garden with iris, both for continued color and beauty. Bring pictures of what you have around your iris now, or what areas do you have to improve with iris companions.

Please add these future dates to your calendar also:

April 23rd - (since Easter falls on the second week of April, we have moved it back a bit)
– How to go about IDing your iris and some labeling options, meeting.

? – A trip to Iris Country Gardens in Geneva

June 4th (?) – We MIGHT have an Iris Exhibition this year, instead of an AIS accredited show, but we will discuss this some more at our March meeting.

Neil will be hosting our annual iris picnic, which he usually has alongside his open garden picnic for friends and family (some of whom have become members!).

August 12th & 13th (?) – Tentatively our sale dates, tentatively at Bristol's Garden Center.

September 10th – Meeting to discuss proper planting and soil preparations for all the iris that you bought at the GRIS sale.

October 8 – Winterizing your garden, especially your iris, meeting.

All meetings will take place at St. John's Episcopal Church.

Hope to see you at the March meeting!

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