



President's Message May 2025

Please join us at our first meeting of the fall. Our program speaker for the evening is Rita Butler of Pierce County Iris Society, who will be giving her perspective from this year's AIS National Convention in Billings, Montana. If you were unable to go, the weather was almost perfect, with beautiful gardens in peak bloom with the Tall Bearded class. Please be advised that at this meeting, I'll be asking for ideas for next year's meeting programs. So put on your thinking caps now, and please jot down your ideas and bring them with you. John Ludi has finalized the hotel arrangements for the Region 13 Fall Meeting at the Portland Airport Radisson Hotel. Plan your time now and send in your registration. The information can be found at our club's website <http://greaterportlandirissociety.org/> and later in the Region 13 Newsletter. Our guest speaker, Dr. Anna Cadd, will be giving judges training on Spuria. Another item to do now, before the deadline approaches in October, is to pay your dues to GPIS. Take a look at the contact list in the Member's Handbook for any updates to your address, phone number, and email. Let Barbara Aitken know if everything is correct and if any changes are needed. Let's help Barbara and Will get the Handbook out on time. Hospitality Last Names M-Z

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Directions

Directions to the Ainsworth House & Gardens

19130 Lot Whitcomb Drive,
Oregon City, OR 97045

FROM I-205 NORTH OR SOUTH

Take I-205 to exit 10 and go south on Hwy 213 for about 4 miles. After you cross Beavercreek Rd. you will pass the Clackamas Community College (on your left) turn at the next RIGHT at the traffic Lights for MEYER ROAD (by the Carl's Jr.). Go to the SECOND stop sign, about 1 mile.

At the Second stop sign continue forward onto Leland Road (which also goes to the left). After about 100 yards, take the first LEFT into Lot Whitcomb Drive and the Ainsworth Estates. (Do not be fooled by the houses). The house is one and a half blocks on your left. Continue on the road in front of the house and it will take you to the parking lot on your left, at the rear of the property, next to the Garden Room. Meetings will be held there.

FROM MILWAUKIE AND 99E, DOWNTOWN OREGON CITY

From 99E turn LEFT at the lights for 10th Street (If coming from Canby this would be a RIGHT turn). Follow 10th Street up the hill, and it will deliver you onto 7th Street. Turn RIGHT at the first lights (Washington Street) and go 2 blocks to 5th Street, and turn LEFT on 5th. 5th Street after about a mile becomes Linn Ave, and Linn Ave after another mile becomes Leland Avenue when it crosses the lights at the Warner Milne/Warner Parrot junction (Plaid Pantry and two other stores on the corner). Take the third RIGHT from Leland into Lot Whitcomb Drive and the Ainsworth Estates. The house is one and a half blocks on your left. Follow the road, which passes in front of the house, to enter the parking lot which is in the rear next to the garden room.

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September 2025



**Meeting
September 2nd,
2025
At
Ainsworth House
With
Rita Butler
Speaking on the
2025 National
Convention in
Billings, MT**

Greater Portland Iris Society

Coming Events

2025 GPIS MEETINGS - EVENTS

September 2 – Meeting (Ainsworth House) “2025 AIS Convention” with Rita Butler

September 20/21 – Beardless Plant Sale, Portland Nursery

October 7 – Meeting (Ainsworth House)
“The Ripened Gardner” Gardening as we age by Susan Piper

October 25 – Fall Regional Meeting - Hosted by GPIS

November 4 – Meeting (Ainsworth House)
“Historic Irises” by Will Plotner

December 13 – Holiday Party (Sandy Grange Hall)

REGION 13 FALL MEETING

DR. ANNA CADD, from Healdsburg, California, is coming to Portland in October to present an exciting program and judge’s training on Spuria Irises.

Come join us for a great day and presentation. **OCTOBER 25, 2025**

LOCATION: Radisson Hotel Portland Airport 6233 NE 78th Court, Portland OR 972018 Hosted by the Greater Portland Iris Society

AGENDA: 10:30 AM Silent Auction Setup (Lunch on your own)

1:30 PM – 2: 30 Region 13 Fall Meeting

2:45 PM – 4:45 PM Judge’s Training - Spuria Iris

5:00 PM Silent Auction Closed

5:15 PM – 6:15 PM Dinner

6:30 pm – 7:30 PM Program by Anna Cadd

7:30 PM - ?? Hybridizer’s Show & Tell

October 25 REGION 13 MEETING

Please register as early as possible, but must be received no later than October 17th After October 17th attendees will be required to order off the Lakeside Bar & Grill Menu Payment by check only – payable to GPIS and mail to: John & Kay Ludi, PO Box 956, Sandy, OR 97055. Phone: 503-668-9230, Email: kjludi2@gmail.com. Please register the following people:

1 _____ 2 _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Dinner - \$50.00 Number of people _____ x \$50.00 = Total _____ Check # _____

Please annotate special diet concerns on back of form

GREATER PORTLAND IRIS SOCIETY (Membership Application)

Name _____ **Family/household dues \$ _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____ - _____

Telephone (Home) () _____ Cell () _____

E-mail address _____ AIS Member Yes _____ No _____

Garden Name _____

Make payment payable to GPIS. Send to Barbara Aitken (Membership Secretary), 608 NW 119th Street, Vancouver, WA 98685-3802. Email: <aitken@flowerfantasy.net>

** GPIS Members \$12.00 // In Region 13 outside GPIS \$7.00 // Out of Region \$12.50