## A.I.S. HAGER/DUBOSE RESEARCH LIBRARY REPORT

## SPRING 2018

The normal quantity of Regional, Section, Local Bulletins and Newsletters have been received, recorded and filed.

Requests for library searches have been almost non-existent. Wayne Messer requested a copy of an A.I.S. publication which was located and mailed immediately. A second request was received from Heather Pryor for assistance in locating Louisiana iris history as to when LA iris seeds were first sent to Australia. Unfortunately, the history here is quite lacking. There was little to nothing in either the Louisiana Iris Society or the Biographical files to provide the date(s) requested. It is most unfortunate that I was unable to supply data that would be of any help. The only thing available was the SLI Check List dated 2002.

Work continues on the Bulletin Index at a slow, but steady pace.

The Larry Harder Slide collection of some 20 to 25 thousand assorted slides has been received. The slides as received were separated out into individual years from 1968 through the early 2000s. Each iris slide has been checked against the Iris Wiki. At this point we (Janet Smith) and I have added 1400 plus entries to the Wiki with another 1000 plus slides to be checked. There was, in addition, a collection of seedling slides, in alphabetical order, by hybridizer. Not knowing introduction (yea or nay) I have been searching Iris Register. Thus far I have located another 50 +/- seedlings that have been introduced. Larry, obviously, spent a great deal of time and effort on his slides. A VERY COMMENDABLE JOB!

Since I assumed the post as A.I.S. Librarian in Dec. 2012 the library has outgrown its space and we are now in the process of acquiring new and larger quarters.

Respectfully submitted,

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