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In response to the proposals submitted by Jim Morris, I would like to provide my input, as follows.

First of all, my thanks to Jim for the time and effort he has put into this.

- 1. I suggested removal of RVPs from obits about two years ago, but it didn't fly... My feeling is that RVPs deserve recognition in their Regional publications, but the Board felt otherwise. I'm fine with whatever the Board decides this time, too.
- 2. I do not have strong feelings on cultivar nomenclature. I suggested a change a few years ago, but it was not accepted. Personally, (and as I said at the time), I feel that the ALL CAPS is somewhat interruptive to reading flow. Again, I'll go along with whatever the Board feels we should do.
- 3. I disagree on removal of the Officers, Committees, etc. I think it would cause a great deal of upset, because members want to be able to reach for the latest issue and find the info they need. Many members do not keep more than the current issue (as hard as that is to believe!).

4. same as #3

5. What you seem to say is "less people pictures".... since no people are listed in the current policy. I have received an extremely favorable response to having shown more people in recent issues. Personally, I couldn't care less if I never saw any people pictures in the Bulletin; I prefer to see irises. But the inclusion of more people pix was in response to popular demand; I have no strong feelings about it either way, and am happy to follow whatever the Board decides. As for pictures of seedlings, I will be glad to eliminate them entirely, if that is what the Board wishes. I have always been open to picturing anyone's seedlings of merit, but I cannot make up the pictures. When I have received them, I've been happy to use them. If there is a feeling that certain hybridizers have not been represented, it is because nobody has provided me with pictures of their seedlings; if they wish to send me some, and if the Board continues to allow printing of pictures of seedlings, I will be glad to show them. However, I do not agree that any geographical area has been favored; in fact, in the past I contacted just about every hybridizer in the country to ask for photos, but at the time only received from a few, which I printed.

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