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Committee for Electronic Services — John Jones Chmn.

On-Line Registration Checklist Database.

We currently have 193 subscribers (down from 243 subscribers) averaging 2.8 years (up from 2.3) per subscriber and have received \$6780.00 in subscription revenues.

The database now contains:

1999, 1989, 1979, 1969, and 1959 Check Lists.

Names (only) from the 1949 and 1939 Check Lists.

Full registration information from the 2000-2004 R&Is

Names (only) from the 2005 R&I

Names from 2006 registrations (as of 24 July 06)

Reserved Names (as of 24 July 06)

We have a revised update process that makes it much easier to update the database periodically.

Online Subscription Service

The online membership subscription service using PayPal has been successfully implemented for the AIS. The following AIS Sections are participating in the service:

- Median Iris society (MIS)
- Society for Pacific Coast Native Irises (SPCNI)
- Spuria Iris Society (SIS)
- Society for Siberian Irises (SSI)
- Historic Iris Preservation Society (HIPS)
- Society for Louisiana Irises (SLI)
- Species Iris Group of North America (SIGNA)
- Reblooming Iris Society (RIS)

I am waiting on information from Dwarf Iris Society (DIS) and Aril Society International (ASI) before being able to add them to the service.

Geek Dinner Auction

This years Geek Dinner Auction was again an incredible success. Once again Joanne Prass-Jones organized and managed the preparations and with help from Margaret Sutton kept records for the Auction. The auctioneer, George Sutton, in his inimitable style, had people bidding at record levels. The bidding for a collection of Fred Kerr's

2006 introductions was so aggressive that he kept adding more and more irises to it until the collection went for \$300.00. 157 people attended the dinner (35 fewer than last year) and the auction raised over \$4000.00 for the Electronic Services fund (\$1200 more than last year).

Digital Projector

The digital projector continues to be used throughout the year. Everyone that has used it has been very complimentary on its ease of use and how great it is to be able to view digital pictures

AISBoard.org

The AISBoard mailing lists seem to be working reasonably well, as does the download site for AIS Documents.

All the messages are being archived. The archives for AISDiscuss and AISVote are accessible by the public.

Carry over from the May 2006 Board meeting: The question has been posed as to whether we should make the Board reports available to the public on the AIS Website

Carry over from the May 2006 Board meeting: It does not appear that the backup storage sites for the Secretary, Membership Secretary and Treasurer are not being used.. The AIS Board needs to establish a policy for how often information is archived, where it is archived, and what the scope of the information should be. These are password protected sites not available to anyone other than the specific individual, the AIS President, and myself as a backup.

AIS Website

The AIS Website continues to be managed in an extremely professional way by Chris Hollinshead. The contract for his services is in place. Many thanks and congratulations to him.