

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

E. Roy Epperson

- Directors absent from this Board meeting:
  1. Donna James (due to illness)
  2. Joyce Poling (due to illness)
  3. Robert Pries (due to relocation to North Carolina)
- For action under New Business:: Joyce Poling has resigned as Chair of the Iris Program Resources (Speakers) standing committee. A replacement appointment will be presented later in this meeting.
- For action under New Business: The Canadian Iris Society has requested that CIS become a Cooperating Society of The American Iris Society.
- FYI: The Chicago Botanic Garden is working to establish a Siberian iris garden/collection. The coordinator of this project is Dr. Gerald O. Strauch. SSI President Judy Hollingworth is working with him. Last June, I sent him a copy of the most recent *Cumulative Check-List of Siberian Irises*.
- FYI: George Edmonds of Sarasota, Florida, has undertaken a project to recognize the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the publication of the Bertrand Farr sale list of irises. He is also working to establish a dedicated planting of Farr introductions at Reading, PA.

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