

DAHLIA TIMES

January 2024

San Leandro Dahlia Society



Penhill Watermelon- Q. Eldridge

January 2024 Meeting

Tuesday January 16, 7:00PM

Church of Christ

601 MacArthur Blvd

San Leandro CA 94577

AGENDA

- Opening remarks- Ellen Muir
Introduction of visitors and members
- Potluck dinner!
- Approval of minutes and treasurers report
- Celebration
- Program highlights for the months to come-
Quamrun
- Sharing our winter garden and tuber purchasing
success



Letter from the President

Dear Dahlia Friends,

The new year for the San Leandro Dahlia Society brings many changes. Our President for over the past 25 plus years, John Morton will no longer be the President and I will be stepping into his incredibly large shoes. I must admit it is a little scary to be following in his footsteps. What was I thinking?! Fortunately, John will continue as a Board Member, our SLDS Show Manager and remain in his role as the Secretary/Treasurer of the Pacific Southwest Dahlia Society.

Over the years of his involvement, John has given his time, many talents, knowledge, and energy to our dahlia society as well as the others in our PSW conference and the American Dahlia Society. John models collaboration, sharing and supporting our partner societies while giving our members the opportunity to step up, lead, and expand. It goes without saying that JoAnna Hansen, John's wife, has been with him all the way on this journey. JoAnna a Senior Judge and show partner was (has been) active in all the many SLDS conferences, events and meetings, making them a success. At our January 16 th Annual Potluck and Meeting, in addition to sharing a meal, we plan to shine a little light on John and JoAnna. Please come with your stories and accolades and bring any photos to attach to a photo board of the San Leandro Dahlia Society Past and Present.



Letter from the President (continued)

Mark your calendars for the February 24th Pacific Southwest Dahlia Conference hosted by the Dahlia Society of California (SF). Registration information will be forthcoming soon. This is a great opportunity to get to know our PSW society partners away from the pressure of a show. There will be a raffle to help defray the cost of the conference. Garden items, holiday gifts that you plan to regift but don't want to store are always welcome. Please bring them to the conference.

Finally, this is the time of the year to order new tubers and start planning your garden. Don't forget to check those sleeping tubers if you are storing them or recruit help from our members to dig in the next few months if you let yours sleep in place.

Regards,
Ellen



Chis Dix wants your “club purchased” tubers

At our November meeting, Kristi presented a slide show of the club purchased tubers that were shared with members to grow with the goal of propagating more for our club members. Some of us had success and some of us had “dud” results. For those of you who grew one from the following list, please bring a tuber to Chris Dix in January. He will make cuttings for our club members to have first dibs at a meeting or the sale.

River’s Bubble Gum
Maks Volcano
Maks Marcus
Felida Splendor
Allen’s Cabin Fever
Allen’s Big Bang
Hercules
Barbarry Apache
Steve O
Hollyhill Shogun
KA’s Cloud

Allen’s Blackbeard
AC Petallicious
River’s Purple Pinwheel
Allen’s Shockwave
20th Ave Old Major
Lakeview Razzle
Allen’s Angel Eye
Clearview Ken
Carmen Mimi
Bloomquist Rose
KA’s Boho Peach

20th Ave Tradition
River’s Penelope
River’s Yellow Snow
Northlake Heritage
AC CH
Hollyhill Dragonfire Josudi
Rivers Novelty
Clearview Frannie
Scott’s Snowcap
Bloomquist Candy Corn
KA’s Mocha Jake

SLDS Election Results and Committee Chairpersons 2024*

President: Ellen Muir

Vice President: Chris Dix

Secretary: Ginger Porrill

Treasurer: Dennis Stone

Board Members:

John Morton, Frances Kawaguchi, Quamrun Eldridge

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Committees*:

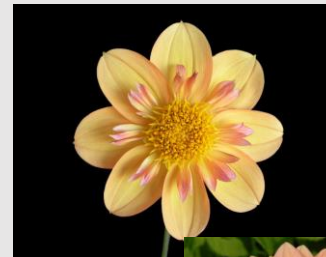
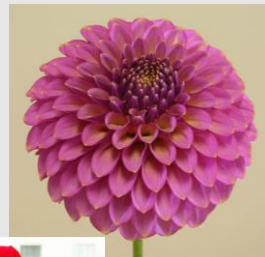
- Show Manager: John Morton
- Programs: Quamrun Eldridge
- Publicity and Social Media Presence:
 - Website and Show Publicity: Beverly Dahlstedt
 - Facebook: Kristi Whitfield & Beverly Dahlstedt
 - Instagram: Louise Hendricksen
- Newsletter: Diane Bond
- Membership: Diane Bond
- Mentorship, Judge Education: Curtis Maxwell
- Youth Outreach and Support: Christina Walker & Sabrina Flores
- Plant and Tuber Sales: TBD
- Refreshments & Hospitality: Marilyn Fong
- Constitution and By-Laws: Board Members and others, as needed
- Election Nomination Committee: TBD

*Committee Chairs always need help. Contact the chair to find out how you can help.

Flower of the Year-Plan Ahead

Our PSW Conference Societies choose two flowers of the year to be highlighted at their shows. Now is the time to order, ask around, share, propagate or otherwise search for those special cultivars.

Society	Fully Double	Open Center
San Leandro	Bloomquist Jean	Sandia Summertime
San Francisco (DSC)	Bloomquist Jeff	Lakeview Redeye
Central Coast	Skipley Spot of Gold	Kelsey Annie Joy
Monterey Bay	Nicholas	Kelsey Annie Joy



SAVE THE DATE- Pacific Southwest Dahlia Conference

February 24, 2024

The annual conference rotates among the four conference societies. Our 2023 conference was a rousing success thanks to the contributions of the organizing committee and members.

The Dahlia Society of California (SF) is this year's host. They loved our location and ample parking so much, their event will be at the same location, the San Leandro Senior Community Center. Look for registration and payment details in your email inbox soon. They are working hard at putting together a great conference. For those of you who have not attended one before, it is a great opportunity to learn from other dahlia lovers.

Want Ads and Notices

WANTED:

We have a new cabinet (donated) for the SLDS supplies in the Casa Peralta shed.

Kristi would like to get some boxes that will fit in the cabinet.

If anyone has plastic crates that are 13" x 13" (footprint) that they would like to donate, then please bring them to the January meeting.



Want Ads and Notices

This is a page that we can all share with each other.

- If you have some dahlia related material to share, send a note and we will get it in the want ads.
- If you want something. A specific tuber, some fertilizer, some help with a growing problem, send a note and we will get it in the want ads.
- If you have a gardening/plant related notice (like a show or sale for another society), send a note and we will get it in the want ads.

Send a note to :

- bonddiane9@gmail.com

if you want to put something in the want ads.