



San Leandro

DAHLIA TIMES

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Next Meeting: October 15th, 6:30 – 8:00 PM

 **Trustees Room, San Leandro Library**

Dahlia folks,

This just in!! We will be meeting in the Trustees room at the library in October. When entering the library, go past the guard station and make a left as usual. Go straight to the end of the hall and this room will be on the left. We will have a new meeting place starting November so be tuned for the new meeting place in the next newsletter.

Hot. Cold. Rain. Hot. Cold. Our poor plants are really having to adapt to the different weather patterns almost daily. These changes do not help with mildew as the damp evenings are just what mildew likes. So, water in the morning and hope the sun dries out the leaves before evening. As many believe, I believe that mildew will not hurt the tubers. When the plants die back, I cut them down and put them in the green waste container and hope the mildew spores go away also. I will bring some information on mildew to the meeting.

Welcome to all the new members. We are excited to see you at the meetings and want to get to know you. If you see someone without a name tag, ask them who they are. We are really trying to wear our name tags so that you can call us by name and we can call you by name. Feel free to ask any questions and take advantage of seeing Curtis garden at Casa Peralta. Curtis can give you the hours that he will be tending the garden so you can get a hands on lesson from him.

New members need not read this paragraph. You have already paid your dues. For us old timers, the dues for our society as well as the American Dahlia Society (ADS) dues are due. We need to have the ADS dues paid by the end of December. Beverly will help you with this.

John the Pres

Refreshments will be by provided:
Dawn, Marilyn & John K

Next Month (November): Pizza & salad

Program For October 15, 2019



Business topics:

- Approval of minutes and treasurer's report
- Announcement of new meeting location starting in November (San Leandro Church of Christ, 601 MacArthur Blvd, San Leandro) and time (7:00-9:00 pm)
- Announcement of November meeting activities: pizza dinner and salad bar potluck, membership sign up and raffle, election of officers
- Announcement of nominees for society offices (vote in November)
- Announcement of upcoming meetings: No December meeting.
- Appreciations
- Introductions
- Invitation to breakout groups.

Break for food and transition to breakout groups

Breakout groups:

1. New grower mentoring (Curtis Maxwell): Tuber digging, dividing and storage
Seed collection
2. Input for next year's show schedule (John Morton)
3. Social table

A MeSSage From MeMberShip:

2020 dues can be paid any time. The sooner the better. The November meeting will include a raffle for all 2020 SLDS members. Two tickets if you join before the November meeting and one ticket for joining in November. But you can win just one prize - my rules!!

So far, here is a list of current 2020 members:

Christine Blue, Craig Callihan, Lee Chen, Melissa Coelho, Julie Cronin, Karen Diaz, Diane Dunn, Pauline Guilbert, Lydia Hynds Susan Jensen, Mike Krippene, Bob Miller, Ginger Porrill, Tom Williams, Beverly Young



Bring your checkbook and add your name to the list.

San Leandro Dahlia Society dues ... \$10
ADS Individual ... \$24 (with SLDS = \$34)
ADS Family ... \$27 (with SLDS = \$37)

San Leandro Dahlia Society Minutes

September 17, 2019, 6:30 pm - San Leandro Library, Karp Room

Presiding --- John Morton, President

Present -- 24 members

Treasurer ---Dennis Stone ---Remain solvent. He has received receipts for reimbursement of show expenses such as trophies and ribbons plus needed name tags for members. Motion made and passed for payments

Minutes --- Approved and passed August minutes

John ---comments on recent Heritage Exposition in Santa Rosa included award made to:
Beverly for Best Triple Novice Bloom

He felt our recent show was " successful". Among areas that went right

A --- Refreshments and lunch time pizza

B --- Night food for those setting up displays --- other societies said it was the "best"

C --- Judging ---7-8 teams as compared to less at other shows. Thanks to Curtis

D --- Viewer comments --- "wow" as to number of blooms and variety

E --- Setup/cleanup all done early or on time allotted

F --- Ribbons fantastic

G --- Curtis/Kristi showed new people where to place items. Good comments on this by other societies.

Areas to "work on" include

A --- If display theme different that year, provide explanation/discription

B --- Recognize new showers?

C --- Section for 3 showings or less. Perhaps where juniors usually placed

D --- Sue stated idea of soft background music

E --- "Walk ins" to show asked if flyer to carry with them to identify areas of viewing

F --- "Quick" sheet for gardening tips

All show winners to be listed, shortly, on the SLDS web site.

Members present ---old and new introduced themselves.

Beverly ----Membership chair ---Each new member who came to first meeting received \$20.00 gift certificate toward our annual April Tuber Sale. There have been14 new ones this year.

Kristi ---Program chair --- Oct. meeting will include normal plant care
Nov. meeting annual membership with dues collected

Break away period ---- Curtis working with new members to answer questions, while 2nd group judged seedling blooms. Best went to Curtis and 2nd place to Sue. Worst bloom to Curtis and 2nd place to Ellen

Birthdays this month --- Craig and Lydia

Adjourned past refreshments 8 pm

Secretary ----Maren Giannini

September's Mini show – Dahlia Seedlings



1st Place Best Seedling – Curtis



1st Place Ugliest Seedling - Curtis



2nd Place Best Seedling – Sue



2nd Place Ugliest Seedling - Ellen

