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Embrace BB SC Yellow
2009 Dahlia of the Year

Claudia Biggs, Editor

newsletter

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NEXT MEETING: OCTOBER 8, 2009 7:30 P.M. MANITO MEETING ROOM

HOSTS: None signed up—any Volunteers??

WHITE ELEPHANT: None signed up

PROGRAM: Digging, Dividing & Storing Dahlias—Bob Beasley

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello to October, yaa!! Now we can just sit back for awhile and enjoy our dahlias without having to baby them for the show. The neighbors are happy cause they can now have some to take to work to show off to their friends. The fair show is over and what a nice show that we all put on for the people of Spokane and the Pacific Northwest. You should all be very pleased with yourselves for such a great showing. Thanks to all that put flowers in the show, and a big thank-you to all of those that traveled and you know who you are. Thanks for coming and making this a big success!!

The fair management was very pleased to see a room with that much color and filled up with great show flowers. We had an ex-fair commissioner (close enough) come to the booth and wanted to know where our black & white fair ribbon was. He said and I quote that this was by far the nicest and brightest dahlia show that he had ever, yes, ever been to see, and he said that he hadn't missed a fair in this state for years. He also knew that the commissioners wouldn't be there til Tuesday, but he would have given us a fair ribbon. I thought that was nice to know and I wanted to pass that on to the rest of you, because it took all of you for him to have said that. Nice job everyone!! The banquet was nice and thank-you to everyone that was there to let me have my two hours to unwind.

Moving on, this meeting will be our October digging, dividing, wrapping and storage meeting,. Bob will once again have the honors of this job, however if all the people that said they would show up that were at the booth, we may be in trouble. It might be a full house, so come early if you want a seat maybe. I will be taking more ideas on the booth. I think what couple of additions we made were okay, I'm not a carpenter, but I did stay at a Holiday Inn Express the night I worked on it. Ha Ha!! This month also we will be taking nominations for officers for the upcoming year. All the offices are up except two of the trustees spots. We will need a new 3 year trustee. So be thinking who might be the right person for this society. I would like to thank all of you that helped this year working the booth. It has been such a big hit with the public and we are one of the few fair booths that have people working it. Jessie is really happy that we have it and have people that are willing to be there to answer questions. People don't want to come to the fair and just see a static booth or table with flyers and nothing else. Those of you that work the booth know this to be true. People come to the booth because they see people there that will at least answer or try to answer their questions and that's all they want, so thanks to all of you that helped out again this year, even you Chris, thanks!!!

President's message continued:

It's been a long hot summer, most of us had trouble one way or the other with our dahlias because of the heat and lack of water for those of us that are on wells. It's tough for a lot of us to grow dahlias and get frustrated from time to time, bugs, kids picking them, etc. Each year we lose members and we get new members. I, we, Anita and I, have only been in the society for 4-5 years now, but we miss some of the members that we don't see anymore. Times change, peoples lives change and sometimes dahlias aren't important anymore. I wish everyone well and remember that flowers brighten up almost everyone's lives, keep doing what you enjoy doing, and if it's dahlias you enjoy, then maybe I'll see you at this month's meeting. Thanks again for a great Conference Show, you guys rock!! Ha ha!!

Greg Smith, President, IEDS

MANY THANK YOUS!

Joni and Bob Beasley would like to thank the PNDC for the prestige of receiving the Gold Medal Award for 2009. It is such an honor. Thank you to the societies.

The Beasleys also owe Many Thanks to Chris Carlsen for her tireless efforts and help in the Trial Garden this year. She has worked many hours Tuesdays and Saturdays as well as taken photos and printed them to send to the entrants to show their entry in our climate and growing conditions. Chris also made cards with Bruce Hall's Best Bloom of Show that were sent to all of the out of town show folks that came for the September 12th weekend. Also a HUGE HUGE THANK YOU to the ANSELMO'S for YEARS of judging and colorizing each and every dahlia in the Trial Garden for scoring. It takes endless hours to accomplish. They spend 3-4 weekends each summer doing this and it is SO APPRECIATED.

Time is up on judging in the Trial Garden this year and the scores are being tallied. Thank you to everyone who came and did scores as well!! Please remember to now get your judges reports in to Joni for the ADS/PNDC evaluation for 2009 by September 30th.

Claudia & Dennis Biggs want to extend a HUGE THANK YOU to Don Howell and Brian Desautel for taking over caring for the VA Garden while Claudia is recuperating from breast cancer. Don and Brian have spent many hours disbudding, weeding and answering questions from visitors.

Because of Claudia's illness, members will be taking care of cutting down, digging and dividing the tubers from the VA. This will be discussed at the meeting. A date will be set to cut the dahlias down one week and dig them another week. Volunteers are needed to help out. These tubers help out greatly in our tuber sales.

WINNERS OF THE 2009 PNDC—IEDS—INTERSTATE FAIR DAHLIA SHOW

A list of all winners will be available at the meeting if you are interested. Also tags and ribbons will be there for pickup.

LIST OF SPECIAL AWARDS—2009 IEDS/PNDC SHOW-INTERSTATE FAIR

Best vase of 5 “B” size bloom	Mike Valle	Berwood Wood
Best vase of 5 Miniature size blooms	Lynn Weger	Ms. Kennedy
Best vase of 10 Pompons	Dick Williams	MiWong & Little Willow
Full House-AA/A/B/BB/Min	Dawn Anselmo	
Best potted dahlia	Lorraine White	
Largest Bloom	Bill Swanstrom	Penhill Watermelon
Dahlia of Year (Embrace)	Dawn Anselmo	
NW Origination	Tom Ball	Skipley Twyla
Foreign Origination	Dick Williams	Odyssey
Smallest Pom	Elva Sellens	Mi Wong & Little Willow
Best Pre-1950 Dahlia	Mike Valler	Jersey’s Beauty

BEST OF SHOW

AA Size Bloom-single	Greg Smith	Inland Dynasty
AA size bloom-triple	Dianna May	Zorro
A size bloom-single	Roy Barton	Vassio Meggos
A size bloom-triple	Delsie Marienau	Elsie Huston
B Size bloom-single	Z Bruce Hall	Peach Delight
B Size bloom-triple	Tom Ball	Skipley Twyla
BB size bloom-single	Mike Valler	Taratahi Lilac
BB size blooms-triple	Elva Sellens	Ferncliff Lemon Al
Miniature bloom-single	Dick Williams	Barbary Red Dwarf
Miniature blooms-triple	Bill Bonneywell	Badger Twinkle
Ball-Single	Norm Anselmo	Hy Suntan
Balls-Triple	Bill Bonneywell	Snoho Doris
Min Ball Bloom-single	Wayne Shantz	Pocrates
Min Ball Blooms-triple	Mike Valler	S B’s Sunny
Pom bloom-single	Norm Anselmo	Crossfield Ebony
Pom blooms-triple	Dawn Anselmo	Pearson’s Michelle
Waterlily bloom-single	Dick Williams	Pam Howden
Collarette bloom-single	Delsie Marienau	Alpen Diamond
Orchid bloom-single	Wayne Shantz	Midnight Star
Orchid blooms-triple	Elva Sellens	Juul’s Star
Single bloom-single	Mike Valler	Dandie Sunset
Single bloom-triple	Wayne Shantz	Raeann’s Peach
Peony bloom-Single	Lynn Weger	Elvira
Peony blooms-triple	Lynn Weger	Elvira
Anemone bloom-Single	Carol Konitzer	Rockstar
Stellar blooms-triple	Bill Bonneywell	Seedling 567
Novelty open bloom-single	Claudia Biggs	Ebony Star
Novelty open blooms-triple	Rebecca Hawkins	Elizabeth Jane
Novelty fully double-single	Dianna May	Clearview Magic
Novelty fully double-triple	Elva Sellens	Valley Porcupine
Lacinated bloom-single	Mike Valler	Pinelands Pam
Mignon Single bloom-single	Christina Carlsen	Alpen M&M
Best Bloom of Show	Z Bruce Hall	Peach Delight
Best Triple of Show	Bill Bonneywell	Badger Twinkle

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2009 PHOTO CONTEST

Our NOVEMBER program will be the photo contest. There are two sections: NOVICE & ADVANCED.

So here is your chance to look thru your photos taken this summer and get them ready.

Five categories: Single Bloom, Multiple Blooms, Closeup of Bloom, Your Garden, Dahlia Shows Limit of one photo per category.

Must be a current member of IEDS. Image should be size 4x6" with name of photographer, section and category of print, printed on the back of the print. An arrow on the back of the print should indicate the top of the print.

Prints will be grouped on a table by category and should not be turned over to reveal the photographer. IEDS members will view the photographs as they are on the tables without identifying the maker.

After everyone has had a chance to view the pictures, voting will be carried out. These will be tallied and the winners will be announced.

First place will be determined and the name of the winners announced. Special prizes will be given to winners. Bring your prints 15 minutes before meeting.

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