

# The dahliafax

*Inland Empire Dahlia Society, Inc.*  
*Official American Dahlia Society Trial Garden*  
*Affiliated with American Dahlia Society*  
*Pacific Northwest Dahlia Conference*



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MINIATURE CACTUS  
FLAME RD24/YL18  
2011 DAHLIA OF THE YEAR

Claudia Biggs, Editor

*newsletter*

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**NEXT MEETING MARCH 10, 2011 7:30 P.M.**  
**PROGRAM: Getting tubers ready for cuttings**  
**Starting dahlia seeds**  
**HOSTESSES: FLORIAN ERHART AND CARLSENS**  
**WHITE ELEPHANT: HEIDI BYRUM, ROY BARTON**

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Welcome to March everyone! I can't believe how fast February always seems to go. Hopefully we'll be nearing the end of the really cold weather soon.

How are all your tubers wintering over? Don't forget to check to see if they are getting too warm and starting to sprout already. Our February meeting was really fun. Thanks again to Claudia for all her hard work putting together the wonderful presentation of the new introductions for this year. I know I saw some that I'd like to have in my garden. We are all excited for the upcoming club events. Don't forget to mark your calendars for the April meeting, when we will be having our member only auction! Come to get some new introductions and special ones you've been looking for. Also, don't forget our very important tuber sales. We need donations of tubers, and also volunteers to help with the three weekends. There will be a sign up sheet at the meeting in March and again in April for those of you who would like to help.

On a note about the show for all of you judges. The fair has already sent out forms to judges from prior years. It is very important to get those returned to them. Also, if you want to judge the show and haven't before, let one of the officers know so we can make sure to get the fair information to you if you haven't received it.

See you all March 10th.

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR—TUBER SALES DATES

April 30	9 AM	North side Northwest Seed & Pet
May 7	8 AM	East Sprague Northwest Seed & Pet
May 14	all day	Garden Expo—Lair Building—Spokane Community College

### TUBER AUCTION—April 14 at our regular meeting

We will only be auctioning off tubers that have been introduced in the last couple of years. All other tubers should be brought to the tuber sales. If you purchased a new introduction in the last couple of years and can spare any of the tubers for the auction, please bring them to the April meeting.

## MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING—FEBRUARY 10, 2011

The meeting was called to order by President Chris Carlsen. Introductions of the 21 members present were made. Notes were taken on those that needed new name tags. There are two styles available including the magnetic.

The minutes of the two meetings in January were approved as printed in the Dahliafax.

Treasurer's report: It was noted that the bills for last year for Dahlias of Today had not been paid. We have opened a new bank account with Washington Trust. There is a \$653 balance available. Bills turned in were approved.

Chris Carlsen told about the 4H kids doing the dahlias at the Fair.

Education: July 9th was selected for refresher judging school. July 10th there will be an arrangement class.

Membership: Cards were mailed with the Dahliafax, or given at the meeting. The rest will be mailed.

The summer picnic is Sunday, August 7th at the Biggs.

A letter was read from the VA Medical Center thanking the society for our work with the VA garden.

PNDC: Carol Konitzer will attend the meeting in Portland, April 23rd.

Trial Garden: Bob Beasley sent information that the garden is full. People are encouraged to help work at the garden this summer.

Tuber Sales: will be April 30, north division Northwest Seed & Pet, starting at 9 a.m.

May 7th East Sprague Northwest Seed & Pet, starting at 8 a.m.

May 14th is Garden Expo. We hope to be inside. The game room where we were located before has been closed and there is a waiting list to find out where the vendors will be located.

The fair arrangements are Dahlias through the years.

It was announced that April 9, SCC has a garden show sponsored by the SCC horticulture club.

The ADS Bulletin has new information about small vases for sale for \$1.50 each. It was decided to order 50 small white vases.

We will be selling Dahlias of Today for \$11. They are still at the printers but we hope to have them for next meeting.

The proposed budget was approved by the membership.

The program of New Introductions for 2011 followed.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Minutes taken by Gary Plowman, Vice President

### ARRANGEMENT CATEGORIES FOR THE FAIR

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| Lot 1  | January   | "Celebrate the New Year." A mass arrangement using Dahlias of all colors.                      |
| Lot 2  | February  | "Pretty in Pink for Valentine's Day." Use predominantly Pink Dahlias                           |
| Lot 3  | March     | "A Windy St. Patrick's Day." Use white and/or orange Dahlias with lots of green—showing motion |
| Lot 4  | April     | "Happy Easter and Spring Showers." Use pastel colors and water                                 |
| Lot 5  | May       | "May Day Basket" Use Dahlias and other flowers   |
| Lot 6  | June      | "Wedding Splendor" Use white Dahlias with candles  |
| Lot 7  | July      | "4th of July" A vertical arrangement in red, white and blue                                    |
| Lot 8  | August    | "Summer's End" Use your imagination  |
| Lot 9  | September | "The Glory of Fall" Use Dahlias and Glads  |
| Lot 10 | October   | "A Scary Halloween" Use orange and purple Dahlias  |
| Lot 11 | November  | "Thanksgiving Celebration" A horizontal arrangement in fall colors using grains.               |
| Lot 12 | December  | "Happy Holidays" Use red and white Dahlias with evergreens                                     |

We have ordered classification and composite books from ADS. Not sure if we will have them by our March meeting.

Cost: \$4 for small classification or composite book and \$9 for large classification or composite book.

2011 INLAND EMPIRE DAHLIA SOCIETY BUDGET

Approved at February meeting 2011

Treasurers Report

Income:

IEDS Dues	\$500
Advertising	\$100
Tuber Sales (3 sales) and Tuber Auction	\$2,015
White Elephant & Raffles	\$200
Books, Fold-outs, etc.	\$100
Donations	<u>\$ 0</u>

Total Income \$2915

Expenses:

PNDC Dues	\$ 25
State Filing Fee (non-profit)	\$ 10
Books, Fold-outs, etc.	\$200
Friends of Manito	\$100
Garden Expo (check for fee increase)	\$100
Christmas Party	\$ 0
Tuber Sale & Garden Expo Expense	\$150
Cheer (Cards, Flowers, etc.)	\$ 50
Hospitality (meetings & Fair Show)	\$ 75
Judging Chairpersons Expense (Judging Sheets)	\$150
Educational Printing (Trial Garden, VA, Fair Booth)	\$300
Other Fair Show Expenses	\$100
Officer's Supplies	\$ 50
Postage (Packets, Medals, etc)	\$175
Misc Expenses	\$200
Dahliafax	\$800
Webpage	\$ 80
Membership	\$100
Awards	<u>\$250</u>

Total Expenses \$2,915

Checking account balance on 2/10/2011 is \$653.50

CREDITS

IEDS DUES	\$74.00
ADVERTISING	\$20.00

WHITE ELEPHANT	\$20.00
RAFFLE	\$13.00
BOOKS	\$62.00
COFFEE DONATIONS	\$14.18
AWARDS	\$66.00
OLD CHECKING ACCT.	<u>\$647.57</u>

TOTAL DEPOSITS \$916.75

DEBIT

CLAUDIA BIGGS	\$210.91
Reimburse postage & photo medals	

PSDA	\$330.22
2010 bill Dahlias of Today	

ADS	<u>\$318.00</u>
Membership dues	

TOTAL DEBITS \$859.13

Checking account balance on 2/24/2011 is \$711.12

Carol Konitzer, Treasurer

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THANKS FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT!**

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**Call for a list or see me at a meeting.  
My dahlias are for sale on the big list.**

Unless otherwise noted, IEDS meets every month on the second Thursday except December and January at 7:30 p.m. in the Manito Meeting Room.



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**DUES**

IEDS Single \$7 Family \$10  
PNDC Single \$10 Family \$15  
ADS Single \$20 Family \$23

All checks payable to IEDS and Sent to Claudia Biggs, Membership. 3332 W. Elmhurst Ave, Spokane Wa 99208

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