

# THE DAHLIA DIRT



The Newsletter of the Monterey Bay Dahlia Society

October 2013

Next Meeting:

Friday, October 11 at Simpkins Swim Center, Santa Cruz

7:00 Pot Luck Dinner

7:30 Meeting

Program:

We'll be discussing our upcoming pizza meeting and holiday meeting as well as deciding on digging and dividing dates for November. Also, we'd like to talk about dahlia gardens in review.



From the Prez....



A big thank you to Dean, Iris, Janice and Sharon for hosting this year's Dine-Around. We had the perfect day and the gardens were beautiful with plentiful and tasty food. See below some of the photos taken during the event.

This Friday we will be talking about our dahlia gardens in review. Bring tips on what worked in your garden and what you'd do differently. Also think about your most floriferous dahlia and share your secret with the society. Why do dahlias do well some years and not as well the next year?

Hope to see you Friday....  
Happy Fall Gardening - Kristine



# The Dine Around



Dean sharing his garden with  
Ken and Karen







Julie and Dean



Kate and Janet



Peg and DJ





Enjoying Iris and Dave's lovely garden.....



Congratulations to Becky on her Sweepstakes win at the San Jose show!!!!



John and Marlena







Doris and Margo





Janice in her garden.....  
with friends...





## Minutes from the MBDS Meeting

### **Minutes from MBDS meeting on September 13th, 2013**

Kristine Albrecht called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm. Number of members present = 19.

**Treasury:** No report given.

**Membership:** Four new members joined us tonight. Please welcome: Elizabeth Linares, Melinda Bostock, Christiane Carmen and Nancy Carapcappa .

**Birthday Celebration:** Janet brought in a cake decorated with dahlias to celebrate Dean's 94<sup>th</sup> Birthday!! Congratulations and Happy Birthday to Dean!!

**Dine-Around:** Sunday, September 22nd. First Course (appetizers) will be at Dean Barnes's garden from 11-12:30, 2nd stop (salads) at Iris Wallace's from 12:45-2:15, Main Course to be at Janice Coney's from 2:45- 4:15 and a change venue for desserts from 4:30 to 6:00. Desserts will be had Sharon and George's garden. This is a potluck. Please bring a dish to share at one or two of the stops. Also bring drinks. Directions will be emailed ahead of time.

**What's your favorite bloom?:** Kristine asked everyone to share what their favorite boom was this year. Member's took turns and talked about their favorite(s).

**Culture:** Now is a good time to make sure all plants are correctly labeled before we start to dig and divide later in the year. Members may also want to save seed to plant for next year. If you know the parent (s) also good to make note of that. Julie puts her away right into an envelope.

**Show Review:** Iris thanked everyone for their participation and help. Suggestion was made to hire some young folks to help with table setup and break down next year. Also we may want to add more speakers and demonstrations. Bloom sales were a successful sellout earning the club an extra \$825 towards show expenses. We also need to think and discuss next years show date and venue place. The National Show in Tacoma, WA is scheduled for the same weekend as our show (Labor Day weekend). Many key members from our society as well as the other local bay area societies plan on traveling north for the national show next year. Soquel High is not available the weekend prior to Labor Day.

**New Brochure:** New dahlia brochure available for our show next year. Jean will make sticker labels with our societies information on them to attach on backside of brochure.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40pm

Minutes respectfully submitted, Iris Wallace



## The Crew

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