

# THE DAHLIA DIRT



The Newsletter of the Monterey Bay Dahlia Society

**March 2014**

**Next Meeting:**

**Friday, April 11 at Simpkins Swim Center, Santa Cruz**

**7:00 Pot Luck Dinner**

**7:30 Meeting**

**Program:**

**We'll be talking about the results of our successful tuber sale and also talking about dahlia culture.**



From the Prez....



A big thank you to all our members who helped with the tuber and plant sale this past weekend at Deer Park Shopping Center. Special thanks to Dean, Iris, Katy, Dave and Lena for putting in extra hours to make our sale such a success. We donated 100 of our tubers to the Homeless Garden Project as well as 50 tubers to Margot's church's dahlia garden.

We will be talking about dahlia culture at our society meeting this Friday, as well as, getting an update on our Dahlia Show at the Museum of Art and History in downtown Santa Cruz in August.

Happy Gardening,  
Kristine



# Photos from the Tuber Sort









# Tuber Sale 2014













# Minutes from the MBDS Meeting



## **Minutes from MBDS meeting on March 14th, 2014**

Kristine Albrecht called the meeting to order at 7:32. Number of members present = 20.

Kristine began the meeting by going around the room and members could talk about or ask questions about tuber storage and other dahlia care tips for this time of year.

Kevin passed out a sheet with information pertaining to Organic Dahlia Pest Control.

**Minutes:** Motion was made to approve minutes from February meeting. Passed.

**Treasure:** Katy Bannister reported that we remain in good standing with no outstanding expenditures. We received a refund received from our contribution toward the National Conference in 2011.

**Events:** Water conservation workshop at UCSC on 4/27/14. Info to be emailed out. March 20<sup>th</sup> is a Water Wise event at the Fairgrounds, Heritage Hall from 4-7.

**Tuber Sale:** Tuber sort at Kevin's Shop on W, Th, Fr April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> from 12-4 each day. Bring clean, labeled tubers to the sort for our sale on Saturday April 5<sup>th</sup> from 9-11am. Kevin will be out of town. Ozzy volunteered to pick up cuttings that Kevin has donated and Dave W. has volunteered to drive Kristine's truck with Kevin's trailer to haul all the tubers and tables to the sale. Bring extra boxes. Doris and Woody to talk with folks in line about getting on email list. Becky will take care of signs. Please get tuber names and pictures to Iris ahead of time. Advertising: Kristine and Iris to be interviewed by Sharon Hull of the Sentinel. Call Julie to also do some PR. Maia will also help out with PR. Kristine will send out Mass email 1 week before and 1 day before. Toni C. will label and mail postcards.

**Upcoming Show:** Kevin, Kristine and Maia reported back with what they found out about a new location for our show. Kevin researched the possibility of using the fairgrounds for our show, Maia called several of our local high schools and Kristine contacted the MAH (Museum of Art and History). Much discussion ensued and ultimately the members voted unanimously to have our show at the MAH this year.

Minutes respectfully submitted,  
Iris Wallace





## Future Dates

Next MBDS Meeting	Friday, May 9	Simpkins
Judging Seminar	Saturday, July 19	Montessori School Aptos
Water Conservation Workshop	April 27	UCSC
UPCOMING SHOWS		
Mini-show	July 26	Kevin & Karen's
San Leandro Show	August 22-3	
San Francisco	August 16-17	
Santa Cruz Show	August 23-24	Museum of Art and History, SC
National Show	Labor Day Weekend	Tacoma, WA
County Fair	Week of September 9	

## The Crew

**President:** Kristine Albrecht  
**Vice President:** Kevin Larkin  
**Treasurer:** Katy Bannister  
**Secretary:** Iris Wallace  
**Membership:** Jean Biberdorf  
**Newsletter:** Jan Palia  
**Website:** Brion Sprinsock

