

THE DAHLIA DIRT



The Newsletter of the Monterey Bay Dahlia Society

August 2014

Meeting:

Friday, August 8 at Simpkins Swim Center, Santa Cruz

7:00 Pot Luck Dinner

7:30 Meeting

Program: Bring in your blooms!

We'll be talking about the August MBDS show and coordinating volunteers.



From the Prez....

Our bloom show is coming up on Aug 23rd and 24th! I'm so excited about our new venue at the Museum of Art and History (MAH) in downtown Santa Cruz.

At our August 8th meeting, we will be coordinating volunteers for the show. Please consider volunteering eight plus hours for a job (or jobs) to help make our show successful. We are expecting a larger than normal turnout and will need everyone to pitch in. I will have volunteer signup sheets at the meeting. If you can't make the meeting on Friday, please email me at krstinexxoo@gmail.com and let me know where you would like to help out.



The San Leandro Show this past weekend was great. MBDS members showed really well. Kevin and Karen won the Open Sweepstakes as well as many blooms on the head table. Iris Wallace had one of the top three blooms of the show as well as other blooms on the head table. Randy & Lena, and Becky Adams were on the head table. Shelley Edwards, who showed for the first time, had two blue ribbons.

Congratulations everyone.

The San Francisco Show is in two weeks on August 16 & 17. Hope to see you there....

Kristine







Mini Show July 26



MBDS Dahlia Show

August 23-24



We Need Volunteers
to help make our show fun and successful!

Look over the volunteer list below and see what best suits your volunteer time and energy

If you can't make the meeting on Friday, please email Kristine at krstinexxoo@gmail.com and let me know how you would like to help.

Monterey Bay Dahlia society
Annual Bloom Show
August 22nd, 23rd and 24th, 2014
Museum of Art and History
705 Front Street
Santa Cruz, CA

Show Coordinators:
Kevin Larkin
Iris Wallace

VOLUNTEER LIST

for Bloom Show Days

TABLE DELIVERY AND SETUP VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED for Friday, Aug 22nd.

2:00 pm Tables will be delivered.

3:00-5:30 pm Two teenagers and volunteers are needed to set up tables and place chairs out around certain tables.

Ask Kevin and Iris about the chair and table setup. (30 or 40 chairs)

1. _____ (name)

2. _____ (name)

Other volunteers: (Names)

At 5pm we will need two volunteers to put down and tape table cloths in place. Iris and Kevin will put down table number cards.

1. _____ (name)

2. _____ (name)

SNACK VOLUNTEERS AND COORDINATORS NEEDED FOR SNACK AREA

5:00 pm Friday Aug. 22, setup. One volunteer is need to set up snack area around 5 pm. The job entails, bringing all the items for the snack area and setting them all up and making coffee. Snacks will be delivered and set up in the kitchen area off of the board room.

The job entails shopping for snacks, items and drinks that we don't already have in our possession. Plates, napkins, spoons, forks and cups are already purchased. We have most tea items and coffee items. Coordinator will need to bring an electric tea pot, coffee maker, sugar, sweet and low, honey, cream, small waters, sodas, ice, cooler, nuts, 6 dozen chocolate chip cookies, 4 dozen oatmeal cookies or other cookies, and fruit. Coffee cake or something similar for Saturday morning is nice. Coordinate with Kristine: 8 566-2523

Coordinator for Friday

Snack Coordinators for Saturday and Sunday The snack coordinators will make sure the snack area is neat and clean. (A few hours at most per day). Sunday's coordinator will need to clean up and pack up the snack area round 4pm.

- 1. _____ (Saturday) (name)
- 2. _____ 2. _____ (Sunday) (names)

Volunteers are needed to bake an item: Name, item and day it will be delivered.

- 1. _____ Day the item will arrive. _____
- 2. _____ Day the item will arrive. _____
- 3. _____ Day the item will arrive. _____
- 4. _____ Day the item will arrive. _____

MEET AND GREET

Greeters are needed on Friday starting at 6:45 pm. Greeters will help people who are staging their blooms check in, and get acquainted with the new venue. They will point out the bathrooms and snack area. They will also, help coordinate parking and direct participants to open staging tables and help them check in at the check in desk.

Volunteers are needed for the following times:

6:45- 10 pm Friday, August 22

- 1. Dave Wallace

10pm-5am-

- 1. Kristine Albrecht
- 2. Iris Wallace

5am to 9:00am

- 1. Jan Palia

HEAD TABLE SETUP

At 9:30 am on Saturday August 23rd the Head Table will need to be set up after the participants have cleaned up the staging tables in that area. Black table cloths will need to be placed as well as other head table items. See Iris for table cloths. One volunteer is needed:

- 1. Randy Marsden

OUTSIDE TABLES AND CHAIRS TO BE SET UP.

At 9:30 once the participants are done staging, tables and chairs must be setup in the proper outside areas of the museum for the judges/clerks/helping members lunch and also for the bloom sales. Two Volunteers are need for 30 minutes.

- 1. _____ (name)
- 2. _____ (name)

BLOOM SALES

Volunteers are needed to coordinate bloom sales. This includes making and selling the bouquets.

The coordinator on Saturday the 23rd will arrive around 9am, set up area and make bouquets with extra blooms from the staging and blooms that have been brought in. Vases and plastic bags have been purchased and will be at the facility. Rubber bands and paper towels should be purchased and brought in.

Coordinator Saturday 9am -12 noon.

1. Jan Palia

One volunteer is needed to help the coordinator 9am -12 noon

1. Ruby Gawlik _____

Two volunteers are needed 12-3 pm (We may run out of flowers. check with coordinator before arriving for job.)

1. _____
2. _____

Coordinator for Sunday, August 24th. The coordinator will arrive around 9:30 am to set up bloom sale area and to make bouquets with blooms brought in that morning from MBDS Members.

1. Jan Palia

One volunteer is needed to help the coordinator 9am -12 noon

1. _____(name)

Two volunteers are needed 12-3 pm (We may run out of flowers. check with coordinator before arriving for job.)

1. _____(name)
2. _____(name)

JUDGES/CLERKS/ AND EXHIBITORS LUNCH

11:30 Lunch Coordinator will organize the lunch for 40. Utensils, drinks, plates etc need to be put out. Pizza and salad that will be ordered by the coordinator. Pizza should arrive at 12:15 for lunch at 12:30. Clean up around 1:30.

1. Maia Morris - Coordinator
2. Volunteer helper need _____(name)

CULTURE TABLE

Coordinator will bring educational items for the table as well as memberships, e-mail signup and postcard lists. The job entails, answering questions from the general public.

1. Coordinator- Dean Barnes

Volunteers are needed to help staff the table:

11-1pm Saturday - Mary Bannister

1-3pm Saturday _____ (name)

3-5pm Saturday _____ (name)

11-1pm Sunday _____ (name)

1-3 pm Sunday _____ (name)

3-5 pm Sunday _____ (name)

FREE RAFFLE

Coordinator will organize raffle and prizes to be given out after each talk. We will have dahlia plants to give away. Raffle tickets need to be purchased and a box for tickets made. Members of the public need put their name on a ticket in order to be in the raffle. Must be present to win. Tickets will be drawn after each talk.

Raffle coordinator: _____ (name)

Saturday:

12-4 pm volunteer needed to assist coordinator _____ (name)

Sunday:

12-4pm volunteer needed to assist coordinator _____ (name)

SPEAKER SEMINARS

SATURDAY, AUG. 23

2pm Talk: Speaker/Coordinator will set up at 1 pm for a 2pm arrangement demonstration .

Coordinator: Jan Palia

Volunteer Helper: _____

3 pm Talk: Dahlia Basics Will set up around 2:45 for a 3pm talk.

Coordinator: Kristine Albrecht

Volunteer Helper: _____ (name)

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1 pm talk. Dahlia Judging Basics: Kevin Larkin 12:30 setup for 1pm

Volunteer Helper: _____ (name)

2pm Talk: Speaker/Coordinator will set up at 1 pm for a 2pm arrangement demonstration .

Coordinator: Jan Palia

Volunteer Helper: _____

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Coordinator: Kristine Albrecht

SUNDAY at 4pm Cleanup

Volunteers are needed for cleanup at 4:20pm

After the awards presentation and the participants have put their staging vases away, the tables will need to be broken down and stacked, chairs put away and area swept up and snack area cleaned. We encourage all MBDS members who are able, to help in this area.

1. _____ (name)

2. _____ (name)

3. _____ (name)

4. _____ (name)

5. _____ (name)

6. _____ (name)

7. _____ (name)



Minutes



Minutes from MBDS meeting on July 11th, 2014

Kristine Albrecht called the meeting to order at 7:35. Number of members present = 27. Members went around the room and introduced themselves

Favorite Dish of the Night: Favorite dish of the night was voted on and goes to Betty Crandall's Fruit Crisp. Sounds like a secret ingredient is some rum. Jan will get recipe to include in next month's newsletter.

Bloom Talk: Members had a chance to talk about blooms they brought it, or state a favorite, or just general statement of what's going on in their garden.

Newsletter: Thank you, Jan, for all the work in this past month's newsletter! Thanks also to Liz, who sent in some gorgeous pictures to include in the newsletter

Judging Seminar: MBDS will hold a judging seminar on July 19th from 8:30 to 3pm at the Montessori School off of Park Ave in Soquel. This is open to all members in our society as well as John Stowell Society, San Leandro and San Francisco (DSC). This seminar is required to keep current on all the rules. We encourage all members to attend even if you don't plan on judging. Lunch will be provided. Jan will pick up donuts and Liz will bring a pastry. Janet will also help with food.

Mini-Show July 26th: Each year MBDS has a "Mini-Show". This is a very casual event where members can practice staging some blooms with help from other members before the actual show season begins. This year we will meet at Kevin and Karen's Corralitos Gardens at 296 Brown Valley Road from 11 to 3. A rough schedule is as follows: Staging begins at 11, Jan will do an arrangement demonstration at noon, Judging at 1:00pm and potluck at 1:30. Bring blooms, clippers, containers, a dish to share and your own plates and silverware. We encourage everyone to come and try staging a bloom or two. This is also a good opportunity to see what's blooming at Corralitos Gardens.

Upcoming Shows: San Leandro, August 2nd and 3rd; San Francisco (DSC), August 16th and 17th; MBDS, August 23rd and 24th, Tacoma, WA, this is our National Show, August 30th and 31st.

Show at the MAH in Santa Cruz (Museum of Art and History): Final details will be worked out over the next month. Information on arriving, parking etc will be shared. We also will need help with table set up on Friday afternoon. MBDS will pay young, enthusiastic help for a couple of hours of work. So if you know of a couple young teens/people please let Iris know. We also will make a list of specific duties and members can sign up to help at our next meeting.

Membership: Jean has new tags on order for some of our new members or if you didn't receive one earlier.

Minutes respectfully submitted, Iris Wallace

September MBDS
Meeting

Friday, September 12

Simpkins

UPCOMING SHOWS

San Francisco

August 16-17

Golden Gate Park, SF

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

Watsonville

The Crew



President: Kristine Albrecht

Vice President: Kevin Larkin

Treasurer: Katy Bannister

Secretary: Iris Wallace

Membership: Jean Biberdorf

Newsletter: Jan Palia

Website: Brion Sprinsock