



Michigan Dahlia Association

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March 2019 Newsletter

Our first meeting of the year will be:

March 24, 2019 – Sunday, 1:00 – 3:30 pm, set up 12:00 pm

Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro Rd., Ann Arbor, Room 125

1:00 pm MDA meeting

1:30 pm 2019 ADS New Dahlia Introductions – DVD

2:30 pm Member Auction of new 2019 Dahlia tubers

The 2019 tubers available for the Member Auction will be the following: Two of each. The Starting Bid is one half the cost of the 2019 tuber from the supplier.

Name	Classification	Starting Bid
Clearview Arla Ellen	B-SC-LB P/W	\$8.00
Clearview Splash	B-IC-V	\$8.00
Clearview Jennae	M-FD-Pr	\$10.00
Mak's Brides Dream	B-SC-W	\$10.00
Mak's Sorbet	B-SC-P	\$10.00
Tahoma Dandy	A-LC-Y	\$6.00
Bloomquist Lou Ann	BB-SC-L	\$5.00
AC Moonwalk	AA-SC-Y	\$10.00
AC Susi	B-IC-L	\$7.00
AC Heisen Berg	AA-SC-W	\$10.00
AC Lion	AA-SC-LB P/W	\$10.00
AC Methow	A-SC-Y	\$10.00
Hollyhill Golden Boy	M-FD-Y	\$7.00
20 th Ave Morning Mist	Ba-Pr	\$8.00
Ka's Khaleesi	AA-ID-W	\$12.00
Allen's Artic Fox	B-SC-W	\$7.00
Allen's Fireball	BB-LC-R	\$5.00
Allen's Pink Treasure	BB-LC-P	\$4.00
Allen's Smokey Skies	B-SC-DP	\$4.00
Allen's High Voltage	B-ID-Pr	\$4.00
Allen's Snowy Woods	BB-LC-W	\$4.00

Allen's Ruby Dancer	B-ID-DR	\$5.00
Allen's Starfire	B-C-OR	\$5.00
Allen's Ladies Chioce	A-ID-R	\$4.00
Allen's Moonstone	A-LC-Y	\$5.00
Colleen Mooney	BB-FD-Pr	\$12.00

2019 – Michigan Dahlia Association Calendar of Events

April 13 2019 – Saturday, 2:00 – 4:30 pm, set up 12:30 pm

Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro Rd., Ann Arbor, Rooms 125, 131 & W. Lobby

Annual Tuber Sale, DVD on Growing Dahlias and information available on Dahlia care

May 18, 2019 – Saturday, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm, set up 9:00 am

Annual Plant Sale, with Dexter Green Days and Dexter Garden Club Sale
Dexter Mill, Dexter, Michigan

June 1, 2019 – Saturday, Starts at 10:00 am

Midwest Dahlia Conference Meeting and Plant Sale
High Dive Pavilion, 500 E. Beardsley, Elkhart, Indiana

August 17, 2019 – Saturday

Midwest Dahlia Conference Judging Seminar
Bonneville Trial Gardens at Bonneville Mill County Park, Elkhart, Indiana
Midwest Dahlia Conference Web Page: www.midwestdahliaconference.org.

August 18, 2019 – Sunday

Whine & Wine Garden Tour & Dahlia Staging Demonstration and Timing & Grooming Dahlias for Show
1:30 – 3:30 pm TBD
4:00 – 6:30 pm TBD

August 23 – 25, 2019, Friday – Sunday

71st Annual Michigan Dahlia Association Show
Washtenaw Community College, Ann Arbor, Michigan
The 2019 Flower of the Year will be any Laciniated Dahlia.
This is one week early, Aug 30 – Sep 1 is the ADS National Show in Grand Rapids, MI.

September 22, 2019 – Sunday

After Show Picnic and Dahlia Seedling Judging
2:00 pm TBD

September 28, 2019 – Saturday, set up 12:00 pm

Community Dahlia Competition and Fall Tuber Dividing and Storing Demonstration

1:00 – 4:00 pm

Matthaei Botanical Gardens, Ann Arbor MI

October 6, 2019 – Sunday

MDA Awards Banquet

Fillmore Bar & Grill, Dexter MI

Attention all MDA members we need your HELP!! Our August Whine & Wine Garden Tour and September after Show Picnic have not been finalized. If any of our members would like to host one of these events, please contact our President, David Knox: 248-330-4078 or Fred Nicholas: 734-429-5796 by our first meeting, March 24, 2018. We are all getting older and us old timers could use some help!! If you would like to give it a try, Please call one of us and we can help you get involved in our events. We have Board members who will host these events but, we would like to see some new blood step in. We are willing to help you won't be alone. Please consider getting involved; it's fun and thanks.

Other Events

August 30 - September 1, 2019 – Friday -Sunday

ADS National and Midwest Dahlia Conference Show

Hosted by West Michigan Dahlia Society

Meijer Botanical Gardens, Grand Rapids MI

September 14, 2019 – Saturday

SEMDS Show

Orchard Mall, 6337 Orchard Lake Rd., West Bloomfield MI 48322

Reminder: ADS & MDA Dues are due:

Send you payment to: Annise Nicholas, 5780 Saline Waterworks Rd., Saline, MI 48176 (734-429-5796). ADS: \$24.00, MDA: \$10.00, Combined: \$34.00. Make your check payable to MDA.

Thanks. Annise will also be collecting dues at the first meeting, March 24th.

Also the Board approved sending the West Michigan Dahlia Society a check for \$200.00 for sponsoring the 2019 National and Midwest Dahlia Conference Show in Grand Rapids, MI. The Board also voted to send a check for \$100.00 to sponsor a Michigan Origination section. For our members information here are some of the more common **Michigan Origination Dahlias:**

Bob Gilbert: Kathy G
Richard Rejman: Rejman's Polish Kid – Rejman's Midnight Pom – Rejman's Firecracker
Tom Rumble: Danae – Stella R – Valentine Lil – Nancy Ann
Don Warden: Country Superstar – Country Sweatheart – Country Charm
John Zatkovich: Barbara Z – Mary Karen Z – Grace Wulff
Ted Szalkowski: Irene's Pride

If anyone has any input for our newsletter, please let me know, Fred Nicholas, (734-429-5796) or nicholas48176@frontier.com.

Our MDA President, David Knox is continuing to recover from his second operation on his recent knee surgery. Let us all pray for his successful recovery.

I hope you have checked your tubers in storage to see how well they are resting. Word is a fair number of us are having problems this year with tuber storage, myself included. If yours are storing well please consider bringing them out to warm and eye up and donating some for our tuber and plant sales. This is our income for hosting the MDA Dahlia Show in the fall. As in previous years we will have a "Lost Tuber List" at our first two meetings. If you have lost your favorite Dahlia put it on our list. I will post it in the Newsletter, hopefully if another member has any extras they will make contact. We all need to help others when we can.

2019 Lost Tuber List:

Don Warden: Country Cuttie, Country Sunshine
John Eichler: Manor Jubilee, Hamilton Lillian, Blyton Golden Girl, Dorothy R, Valentine Lil
Fred Nicholas: Vicki, Hilltop Lost Treasure, Hilltop St. Charles, Bear Creek Sunrise, Bode

If you discover you have lost one of you favorite tubers, add it to the list at our meeting or call me (734-429-5796) and I will add it to the next Newsletter.

Hope to see you March 24, 2019 for our first meeting.

Fred Nicholas
Corresponding Secretary