



Michigan Dahlia Association

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<http://www.midwestdahliaconference.org/MDA/index.htm>

April 2019 Newsletter

It's time for the Michigan Dahlia Association's Annual Tuber Sale

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

Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro Rd., Ann Arbor, Room 125 & 131

Annual Tuber Sale, DVD on Growing Dahlias and info table on Dahlia care.

If you plan to bring tubers to our Tuber Sale, remember they will be on tables by: AA/A (Blue), B/BB (Red) and All Others-M-MS (Green). If you use the color code it makes it easier in placing them on the tables. However, be sure to have the tubers properly marked with the name and classification. **Also, be sure that your tubers have a visible eye. We need your support and donated tubers for this event.**

Attention, new members this is a great opportunity to get additional tubers for your garden, seek out advice from our seasoned growers, view the DVD on growing Dahlias and get some information on Dahlia care. Hope to see you there.

A note about our Member Auction of the 2019 Dahlia Tuber on March 24, 2019. It was a very spirited auction, the highest bid went for one of the Ka Khaleesi (AA-ID-W) tubers for \$67.00.

2019 – Michigan Dahlia Association Calendar of Events

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

June 8, 2019 – Saturday, 11:00 am to 3:00 pm Volunteers needed to help out.

Butterflies, Bees & Bouquets – A Pollinator Day

Hood's Hardware & Gifts (734-284-3648)

1844 Ford Ave.

Wyandotte, MI 48192

The MDA has been invited to tend a table and provide information about Dahlias. We also intend to sell any open center Dahlias we may have available. Please contact David Knox (248-330-4078) or Fred Nicholas (734-429-5796) if you can help out on the 8th.

Some of our members attended Hood's Hardware Dahlia Day on March 23 and brought some Dahlia material for a successful morning. We have been invited back and your help would be appreciated.

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 Darin Robert (734-660-9990)

1020 Wing Drive

Ann Arbor, MI 48103

4:00 – 6:30 pm Tom & Lil Rumble (734-550-9395)

7765 Jennings Road

Whitmore Lake, MI 48189-9038

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 year the MDA Show is one week early, so as not to interfere with the ADS National Show in Grand Rapids, MI, Aug 30 – Sep 1.

September 22, 2019 – Sunday

After Show Picnic and Dahlia Seedling Judging

2:00 pm Fred & Annise Nicholas (734-429-5796)

5780 Saline Waterworks Rd.

Saline, MI 48176

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

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

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:	Danea – Stella R – Valentine Lil – Nancy Ann
Don Warden:	Country Superstar – Country Sweetheart – 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.

Books: We have 3 copies of the book "2019 Dahlias of Today" available - the cost is \$13.00. Contact me 734-429-5796 first come basis.

2019 Lost Tuber List:

Don Warden: Country Cutie, Country Sunshine

John Eichler: Manor Jubilee, Hamilton Lillian, Blyton Golden Girl, Dorothy R, Valentine Lil

Ernie Fischer: Barbara Z

Fred Nicholas: Vicki, Hilltop Lost Treasure, Hilltop St. Charles, Bear Creek Sunrise, Bode

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

Hope to see you April 13, 2019 for our Annual Tuber Sale.

Fred Nicholas

Corresponding Secretary