



San Leandro

DAHLIA TIMES

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November 2019

Next Meeting: November 19th, 7:00 – 9:00 PM

Church of Christ, 601 MacArthur, San Leandro

Dahlia folks,

This year has flown by for our dahlia season. It is hard to believe that this will be our last dahlia meeting of the year. We are looking forward to a fun potluck at a new venue and going back to our 7:00 to 9:00 hours. We really have been rushing our meetings to get all the information out and questions answered so we hope the changes will be good for us. 601 MacArthur is the address of the Church of Christ in San Leandro. The parking is in the back so don't park in the front and knock on the doors because we will never hear you.

For the new comers and anyone else that wants to join, Curtis will be setting up a training session on dividing dahlia clumps at the Casa Peralta Garden. Stay tuned for the time and date for this event. Not only will you learn to divide dahlia clumps, but Curtis will be getting free help getting his plants done. This month is his birthday so consider it a birthday present to him.

I have been cutting our plants back before digging them up. I have found the ones I topped the earliest are showing signs of growth or at least the eye is showing better than if I just left the plants to die back themselves. It is easier to split off the tubers properly when you can see the eyes.

Looking forward to seeing all of you at the potluck. Thanks for Kristi setting this up for us.

John the Pres

Refreshments will be: Pizza & Salad Bar

Next Month (January): TBA

Program for November 19th, 2019

- Pizza & Salad Bar Potluck: Please also remember to bring your own plate, silverware and placemat (placemat optional).
- Beverly will be collecting membership forms and payments and also conducting a **RAFFLE** for great prizes.
- Please come ready to discuss our main topic: **"To Dig or Not To Dig"**
- Curtis will also be sharing tips and answering questions about how to put your garden to bed for the winter.
- Time permitting; we will also be conducting a pruner/tool sharpening seminar.
- Kristi has some indelible ink pencils available for those who want them. They are \$2.25 each

A Message from Membership:

This Month's New Member: Aurea Torres

2020 dues can be paid any time. The sooner the better. The November meeting will include a raffle for all 2020 SLDS members. Two tickets if you join before the November meeting and one ticket for joining in November. But you can win just one prize – my rules!!

So far, here is a list of current 2020 members: Christine Blue, Diane bond, Craig Callihan, Lee Chen, Melissa Coelho, Julie Cronin, Bob and Beverly Dahlstedt, Karen Diaz, Diane Dunn, Quamrun and Gary Eldridge, Marilyn Fong, Maren Giannini, Sue Gregori, Pauline Guilbert, Lydia Hynds Susan Jensen, Mike Krippene, Deva Lowenthal, Curtis Maxwell, Bob Miller, John and JoAnna Morton, Peggy Murphy, Tony and Jaqueline Palacios, Ginger Porrill, Roy and Bettie Stier, Dennis and Allison Stone, Aurea Tores, Kristi Whitfield, Will Whitmore, Tom Williams, Beverly Young

Bring your checkbook and add your name to the raffle drawing

San Leandro Dahlia Society dues ... \$10
ADS Individual ... \$24 (with SLDS = \$34)
ADS Family ... \$27 (with SLDS = \$37)

San Leandro Dahlia Society Minutes

October 15, 2019, 6:30 pm - San Leandro Library, Karp Room

Presiding --- John Morton, President

Present -- 21 members

Motion made and passed to accept September Minutes

Treasurer's report --- remain solvent. Motion made and passed to accept report.

John stated that this will be last meeting for SLDS at this library. Starting with Nov. all future meetings will be held at SL Church of Christ from 7pm-9pm. Parking in the rear. 601 MacArthur Blvd, Maps passed out with these details.

November meeting will include potluck plus pizza. Kristi passed paper to sign up for salad bar items plus desserts. Reminder to bring your own flatware and utensils. No December meeting. Resume schedule in January at our new location 7-9 pm

Introduction made of all members present,

Beverly --- Reminder of 2020 annual dues. Raffle of garden items will be held for all who pay by next month. \$10,00 for SL Society [newsletter], \$24.00 for ADS that includes qt. bulletin and classification book. \$27.00 for family. Total of \$34.00 for combination,

Kristi --- Reminder of Autumn Lights Festival at Lake Merritt Oct. 24-26 from 6-11pm Limited parking.

Deva --- Introduced tentative slate of officers for 2020. Final vote November.

President ---John Morton

Vice President --- Chris Dix

Treasurer --- Dennis Stone

Secretary ---- Peggy Murphy

Chairperson for various club areas include

Publicity --- Beverly Dahlstedt

Membership ---- Diane Bond

Programs ---- Kristi Whitfield

Mentoring ---Curtis Maxwell

Hospitality & Photography ---John Kitts

Newsletter ---Sue Gregori

ADA Representative ----open position

General Info ---John made mention of current mildew problem. Passed out paper referring to this problem. One member suggested use of product called Eagle. Two new members Susan Jensen and Craig each received \$20.00 certificate for use at our April tuber sale. Dividing into two groups with Curtis giving info on plant care when blooms are done . John discussed various categories for yearly showing of blooms.

8pm adjourned following refreshments. No birthdays.

Secretary ----Maren Giannini

October Meeting Pictures

Curtis training on seed collection & fall dahlia tasks



Discussion on show improvement topics



Food & Dahlias - A feast for all the senses

