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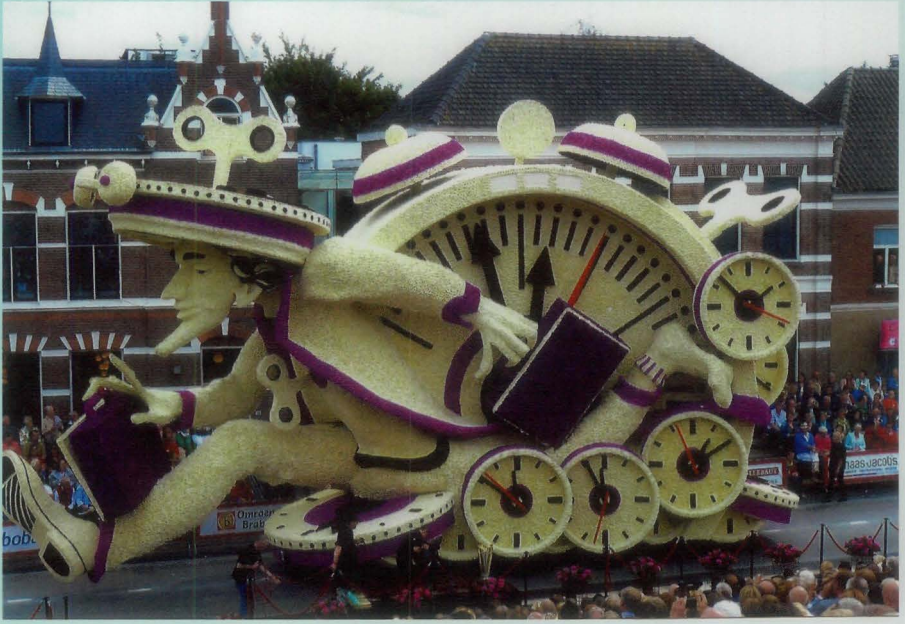
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Closeout for March 2014 Bulletin is January 20, 2014. Being that this is our Spring issue, we can use articles on, taking out of storage, starting tubers, taking and starting cuttings, preparing the soil, planting, staking, fertilizing, and any other topic. Don't forget your Society Reports.

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Please remember the following closing dates for each Bulletin.

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However, please send your articles as soon as possible. Take advantage of the Bulletin, it is our publication, why not get your monies worth. Please write that article you have been talking about, we all want to learn from each other and hear what you have to teach us. Keep your pictures small enough to put on a Bulletin page.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 2014 August 28th-September 1st  
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- 2015 September 18-20th  
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## PRESIDENT MESSAGE

I hope this winter issue of the ADS Bulletin finds you all warm and safe and enjoying the holiday season. Digging dahlias always seems to be a part of the holiday season here on the central coast of California. I know we could dig earlier as many of you do, but the temptation to have blooms on the Thanksgiving table, which we often are able to do, is too great. So, as in most years we will be digging our dahlias in mid-December this year, again.

This past year has seen many positive things happen within The American dahlia Society.

I commend our Executive Committee members for their work and dedication to bring you a strong and responsive organization. This year they met six times, twice in person and on four conference calls. Several actions implemented or begun will add tremendous value to ADS membership now and for years to come.

- Update of the online classification database
- Inaugural publication of ADS E-Newsletter
- Establishment of Orchette form
- Resolved to create new revenue with advertising on Dahlia.org
- ADS Judges pins presented to all accredited and senior judges
- Creation of an ADS Facebook page
- Reprinting of low cost handout for Societies to attract members

This year was not without its challenges. Particularly for myself, I came to realize just how much time my predecessors in this position spent on society business. I admit I was a bit overwhelmed a few times sorting with challenges related to the loss of our ADS Bulletin Editor Norm Hines and trying to sort out other issues that inevitably arise in such a diverse organization. However, again I thank the many members of the Executive Committee and other members for their help and support.

One of the highlights of this past year for me was our meeting in Grand Rapids, Michigan for a wonderfully produced National Show hosted by the West Michigan Dahlia Society. The visit to Dahlia Hill in Midland was particularly impressive. Here artist and dahlia lover Charles Breed conceived a spectacular public display of dahlias. His dream has become a gallery for his art indoors and out. The thousands of dahlias grown on a hill overlooking the streets of Midland draw thousands of visitors each year. We surprised Charles with the presentation of the ADS President's Award during our visit. It is a well deserved honor, one that Charles and the other members of the Dahlia Hill Society truly appreciated.

This issue of the Bulletin is always one of the most enjoyable to read. Thank you to everyone who helped bring it together. I especially enjoy reading the show results from across the country seeing who had good seasons and who had great seasons. And of course the Trial Garden and Show Bench results give us a glimpse of what we will be seeing in the coming season. More information and photos from the Trial Gardens can be seen on [www.dahlia.org](http://www.dahlia.org).

Happy reading &  
Happy Holidays  
Kevin Larkin

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THE AMERICAN DAHLIA SOCIETY  
ANNUAL MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 1, 2013**

The meeting was called to order at 9:07 am EDT by President Kevin Larkin.

**Present**

Board members present were: Kevin Larkin, Ken Jensen, Don Dramstad, Mac Boyer, Terry Schroeder, Harry Rissetto, Wayne Shantz, Eleanor Shantz, Brent Grant, Bob Schroeder, Alan Fisher, Linda DeRooy Holmes-Cook, Ron Miner, Judy Hines, Ed Bonci, Ray Phillips, and Lou Paradise. Also in attendance were many members from local and distant dahlia societies.

**Minutes**

Ron Miner moved and Lou Paradise seconded to approve the minutes from the 2012 Annual Meeting, September 2, 2012 as written. The motion passed.

**OFFICERS REPORTS**

**President**

Kevin thanked the members of the West Michigan Dahlia Society for a good job on this year's National Show. He introduced the Executive Board members in attendance and thanked them for all they do with and for the ADS. They are always focused on improving the organization.

**Treasurer**

Mac Boyer made the following report. As of 8/29/2013, the Lake City Bank Account had \$31,028.23, in checking and savings. There is \$43,713.14 in CDs at that account and \$74,162.12 in the Ameriprise account. There is \$28,173.13 in the Vanguard account for a total of \$177,076.72. There is \$160.42 in the Paypal account, which has a \$30 monthly fee, so some money is always left there. Accounts receivable are \$945.44 and Mac has \$395 in checks that need to be deposited. Reports were mailed to the IRS and New York State for income tax; the reports show that we are a little ahead of last year. Alan Fisher moved and Lou Paradise seconded to approve the Treasurer Report subject to audit.

**REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENTS**

**Midwest Conference**

Jerry Wittrig reported there is nothing new going on, but he has appreciated being involved with this show.

### **North Atlantic Conference**

Ed Bonci reported the North Atlantic Dahlia Conference is about one-third through the show season, with exhibitors and blooms being good quality. Planning for the 2015 National Centennial Show continues, which will be held at Hofstra University. He will bring Steve's gold medal to him. He also has a Golden Anniversary certificate from the 50th year anniversary to take to Long Island for the 100th Anniversary show.

### **Pacific Northwest Conference**

Wayne Shantz reported the Wild River Dahlia Society in Gold Beach, OR held their first show last weekend. They are a new society and are a very energized group of people. The Pacific Northwest Conference is dedicated to this group and people drove 200-300 miles to attend this show. They had 13-14 ADS Seedling Bench entries. Doug Almand, from Ferndale, CA is interested in starting a new society for that area. They held several judging schools and gained a number of candidate judges. The PNDC annual meeting will be held in Eugene, OR in mid-September. Lane County Dahlia Society will celebrate its 50th year of holding an annual show.

### **Pacific Southwest**

Kevin Larkin reported the Pacific Southwest is doing a new judging seminar program that has been well attended. On Sunday afternoon at each show, a mini judging seminar is held on a specific topic.

### **Southern States Conference**

Ray Phillips reported they have had three judging classes as well as one on trial garden judging. The Great Smokey Trial Garden has been blessed with a total rainfall of 91" this summer. At least one of each variety has survived, but 2-15 tubers have drowned. They have added members to the conference, with several promising novice and amateur growers. Plans for the 2016 National Show are progressing nicely. The facility and hotel in Asheville, North Carolina have been selected. There is interest in a new society in the Nashville area.

### **Federation of Northwest Dahlia Growers**

Brad Freeman reported in writing the plans for the 2014 National Show are moving along well, with the show being held over Labor Day weekend in Tacoma, WA. They have a great venue with breathtaking views of Mount Rainier and plenty of activities for everyone. More information will be available this fall on our website at [www.nwdahlia.org](http://www.nwdahlia.org). The 2014 Dahlia of the Year will be Verrone's Morning Star. A special section at each Federation Show next year will feature this cultivar. The Victoria Dahlia Society in British Columbia, Canada joined the Federation as an Associate Member and Seattle Dahlia Society became an Affiliated Member. We



welcome them to our shows, workshops and events.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **ADS Reps Coordinators**

Don Dramstad reported they are trying to finish the ADS Presidents' List so the ADS can have more direct contact with societies. There is also a thought to have a Show Chair Contact List. He will send out an email requesting that information. Ken Jensen reported that his task is easier as he only has about 10 societies to work with.

### **Bulletin**

Judy Hines requested Bulletin articles be sent in by the ADS Reps to either David Hines or Judy Hines' email address. The September Bulletin is pretty much ready to go. David is interested in continuing with the Bulletin in his dad's honor. Please encourage your society to get their show results in as soon as possible.

### **Finance**

Harry Risetto reported the ADS operating funds are in stable condition. There will be an envelope included in the September Bulletin, soliciting contribution. Members can choose where their money is applied. There is an endowment provision in the bylaws so that you have an opportunity to continue to support the ADS after your passing. The Finance Committee encourages members or societies to be sure to cash checks that are sent to you by the Treasurer promptly.

### **Insurance**

Judy Hines requested that insurance forms be completed and in to her by July 1. It looks like we may be lowering costs this year. Be sure that when you return forms, that all reports/forms are complete. Please call Judy if you don't receive your certificates in a timely manner.

### **Judging Accreditation**

Bob Schroeder reported he is gathering information for the 2014 Judging Roster. Please send information to Bob as soon as you receive it for any judge that is advancing so he can get out certificates and pins to the Judging Chair for distribution. Bob reminded all that names, addresses, and email addresses are for ADS use only and will not be put on the website. They will only be included in the Judging Roster that is distributed to members. On the website, there is a page on the Members Only section where Judging Seminars can be listed. Please provide information on your judging seminars so that the information can be added to this page.

### **Marketing**

Steve Nowotarski was not present, but the first E-Newsletter was

distributed in early August. This will be a quarterly publication, aimed to the casual dahlia gardener, which will introduce many new dahlia lovers to the ADS. The E-Newsletter has been well received, with 1150 persons signed up at this time; Steve hopes to have 2000 by the November issue. Please encourage your society members to sign up; the enewsletter is free, but people need to sign up on their own to receive it. A sign-up sheet is available to be used at shows or tuber sales.

### **Membership**

Alan Fisher reported he has started new memberships for 2014. Remember to have your societies submit their membership information by January 1, 2014. Membership is down by 6.8% for 2013. ADS has had fewer new memberships the past few years, than we had experienced historically. Below is a table with the summary statistics for 2013:

As of August 27, 2013	2013	2012	As a % of 2012
Memberships	1735	1853	93.6
Family	577	629	91.7
Members	2312	2482	93.2
New	221	240	92.1
Unpaid from 2012			
362 US; 30 CAN,5 Other	397		

### **New Society Coordinator**

Rosemary Freeman reported in writing she received two requests for new society information; one from Missoula, MT and one from Chigiak, AK (northeast of Anchorage). She has sent them our booklet and supplemental CD but have not heard back from them. There also may be interest in Northern California, but has not contacted them.

### **Policy Manual**

Harry Risetto and Mark Alger worked on a policy manual that tries to capture major decisions made by the board so that they are all in one place. It is located on the website, in the members' only section, under documents. This was last updated in 2009. A chairperson is needed for this committee so that additional updates can be added.

### **Research and Education**

Brent Grant believes that some basic educational piece should be made

available to societies to provide to the public. His society put together a brochure to use for that purpose. He is also looking at the ADS Growing Guide to come up with a recommendation for reprinting.

### **Special Awards**

Jerry Landerholm sent a report via email.

### **Trial Garden**

Ron Miner announced that Marilyn Walton has been appointed as the new co-chair for the Trial Garden. The number of entries in the Trial Gardens are up about 10% over last year, at least partly due to the addition of the Red Deer TG in Alberta, Canada. Judging is underway and most of the discrepancies in names of entries have been resolved.

### **Website**

Ron Miner reported that he and Linda Holmes-Cook continue to collaborate on the management of the ADS website, and she is almost ready to take over as Chair. They had hoped to be able to share the online search function as a classification guide, but it is not quite ready. This will be something that can be accessed via Wi-Fi on a phone or tablet as well as on a computer. The first mentoring article is on the website; please send articles about mentoring to Linda to be added. Whether you are the person doing the mentoring or being mentored the information is appreciated. Linda has been busy putting information on the ADS Facebook group page, which now has 225 members. They continue to make progress in getting the Bulletins on the website. There was a question about statistics for the website. Linda reported the second quarter statistics, April 1 through June 30, show that the majority of users are new visits with 23.9 return and 76.1 new visits. There were 97,000 unique users in 2012, with 21% using mobile devices.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Alan Fisher moved and Ron Miner seconded to accept the actions of the board over the past year. The motion passed.**

**Alan Fisher moved and Brent Grant seconded to approve the honoraria for the Secretary and President of the ADS. The motion passed.** There was discussion regarding raising the honoraria for the Secretary and Treasurer.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Classification Committee**

Lou Paradise announced that the deadline for societies to get their show reports to him is October 10. He encouraged societies to get their reports sent as soon as possible after the end of their show. A new form will be

added to the 2014 Classification Book, the orchette. The Classification Committee is reviewing any cultivar that fits the description. The number of cultivars in the CHD without a color chip is down; it is hoped this trend continues. The response to a "micro" class has been weak. The Bay Area show schedules show two micro classes, one for fully double and one for disc center. At the Classification Committee meeting this morning, there was discussion about the definition of disc-centered dahlias and the number of rows of pollen. **Lou Paradise moved and Alan Fisher seconded to alter the description to be more specific to say, "0 to 3 rows of pollen is desirable on all disc-centered dahlias that show pollen."** The motion passed. This change will be included in the 2014 Classification and Handbook of Dahlias.

### **Judging of Seedlings**

Harry Risetto stated that in judging seedlings on the SBE or Trial Garden that some judges use a competition-based measure of distinction and others use a measure of the bloom's uniqueness. The question he has is whether distinction is judged on competition only, its uniqueness as a bloom only or a combination of both the bloom's ability to compete in open competition, as well as its uniqueness. He suggested we have some policy regarding the judging of distinction. Ron Miner stated that the intent of the new seedling evaluation scorecard was to bring the subjective and competition-based qualities for distinction together to allow for a combination of those qualities.

**Lou Paradise moved and Roland Verrone seconded that the meeting be adjourned.**

The meeting adjourned at 10:22 am EDT.

Respectively Submitted,

Terry Schroeder  
ADS Secretary

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**Note: Classification Book Half Page includes Silver ADS Business Partner membership and Full page includes Gold ADS Business Partner membership.**

## 2013 TRIAL GARDEN RESULTS

The American Dahlia Society sponsors seven Trial Gardens across North America. The results for the 2013 season are now available. The following pages summarize those results. Derrill Hart Awards are awarded to the entries that have the highest average score in three Trial Gardens. You will find some familiar names in the Medal winners. Ted and Margaret Kennedy managed to win three medals: Hollyhill Moonsong, AA SC LB; Hollyhill Lover Boy, M FD RD, and Hollyhill Liz, MB DB. Dick and Danielle Parshall were big winners again this year, too, with two medals that tied for the win in the tough BB class: Clearview Audrey, BB SC LB and Clearview Citron, BB IC YL. Buddy and Kelly Dean each won a Medal, Buddy with Hilltop Emily, B SC DB, and Kelly with Born Sty, an appropriate name for a great ST Y! Wayne Lobaugh dominated the tough competition for the Evie Gullikson award by getting scores that ranged from 88 to 90.8 on his Lo – Redeye in 5 of our Trial Gardens. The average score for this entry was a remarkable 89.26. Congratulations to our Medal winners and to those that succeeded in the Trial Gardens this year. Your efforts are a key element in the success of the ADS.

The unsung heroes of the Trial Garden system are the Trial Garden Directors and the work teams that make it possible for them to rigorously evaluate our new generations of dahlias. We owe the Directors and their teams sincere thanks for all of their efforts on our behalf!

The Trial Garden results are also available on the ADS website, [dahlia.org](http://dahlia.org), along with pictures of many of the entries.

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AA (000-0515) or A (1001-1515)

0112 – Ayers Glory – Harold Ayers – AA ID FL – 87.7M; 85.3C; 85B = 85.99\*

0202 – GLADYS W – Gary Plowman – AA SC YL – 85S

**0210 – HOLLYHILL MOONSONG – Ted & Margaret Kennedy – AA SC LB – 90S; 87.6T; 86.7C; 85.3B = 88.10**

1001 – CUMULUS – Gary Plowman – A FD WH – 88.6S

1109 – GILLY'S SWAN SONG – Gilly Simmons – A ID PR – 86.5S

1114 – JOHN MEGGOS – Steve Meggos – A ID V – 85.3B

1201 – CLEARVIEW EDIE – Dick & Danielle Parshall – A SC WH – 88.8B; 87.2M; 85.5T; 85E = 87.15

1202 – NARROWS RAY – Ken Walton – A SC YL – 85B

1206 – AC KUNTZ – Ken Greenway – A SC RD – 86.8B; 85.2T

1213 – HOLLYHILL TWILIGHT – Ted & Margaret Kennedy – A SC DB – 86.6T

B (2001-2515)

2102 – HAPPY DAY – Nick Gitts – B ID YL – 85.5B; 85.1C

2103 – ADS CENTENNIAL – Phil Godsmark – B ID OR – 87.2E; 86.0M; 85T; 86.8PC = 86.08

2107 – CLIFTON TONY – Percy Clifton – B ID DR – 85.7C

2109 – CRAZY 4 STACIA – John Spangenberg – B ID PR – 87.3E; 86.7T; 86.6GS; 85.8S = 86.85

2203 – AC AU – Ken Greenway – B SC OR – 87.8T

2203 – AC SHITAKE – Ken Greenway – B SC OR – 87.6T; 87.2M; 86E; 85.9B = 86.95

2207 – AC RILEY – Ken Greenway – B SC DR – 87.0GS; 86.1T; 85.7B; 85.3E = 86.25

2210 – CLIFTON SKYLLER – Percy Clifton – B SC LB – 87.4T

2210 – HOLLYHILL DONATELLO – Ted & Margaret Kennedy – B SC LB – 85.2M; 85.1T

2212 – FIRED UP – Nick Gitts – B SC FL – 85C; 85B; 86.3PC

**2213 – HILLTOP EMILY – Buddy Dean – B SC DB – 88.3S; 87.7T; 85.8GS; 85.6B; 85.4E = 87.27**

2403 – CLIFTON ELIJA – Percy Clifton – B IC OR – 86.7C; 85.7T

2412 – AC LEGS – Ken Greenway – B IC FL – 86E; 85.6M

2506 – BLOOMQUIST KATE – Paul Bloomquist – B LC R – 89.5T

2515 – SANDIA WARBONNET – Steve & Sandy Boley – B LC BI – 87B; 85C

BB (3001-3515)

3102 – GG'S LEMON PEEL – Glenn Gitts – BB ID YL – 86.4E; 85.5B

3110 – MS LISA – Steve & Sandy Boley – BB ID LB – 86.3T

3115 – BLOOMQUIST CANDY CORN – Paul Bloomquist – BB ID BI – 85.8B; 85.5T

3206 – BLOOMQUIST STAR – Paul Bloomquist – BB SC RD – 85.7B; 87.6T; 85.6E = 86.28

3209 – BLOOMQUIST ANGELA – Paul Bloomquist – BB SC P – 86T

**3210 – CLEARVIEW AUDREY – Dick & Danielle Parshall – BB SC LB – 89.5T; 86.3E; 85.2 = 86.99**

3210 – HOLLYHILL GOLDRUSH – Ted & Margaret Kennedy – BB SC LB – 87.4T  
3213 – AC SHERI – Ken Greenway – BB SC DB – 86.6T  
3213 – BLOOMQUIST JEFF – Paul Bloomquist – BB SC DB – 87.2T  
3213 – TAHOMA ENDEAVOR – Les Connell – BB SC DB – 85.9T  
3301 – GG’S WHITE RUSSIAN – Glenn Gitts – BB C WH – 85.2B; 85.0T  
3302 – RIVER’S SUNSHINE – Eugene Kenyon – BB C YL – 86.4B; 86.3E; 85.5T =  
86.09  
3306 – BLOOMQUIST CHRIS – Paul Bloomquist – BB C RD – 89.3T  
**3402 – CLEARVIEW CITRON – Dick & Danielle Parshall – BB IC Y – 87.9T;  
86.8M; 86.5B = 87.08**  
3407 – BLACK WIDOW – Carl Probizanski – BB IC DR – 86B

M (4001-4515)

4001 – ROBANN PRISTINE – Robert & Anna Moynahan – M FD W – 86.0B; 87.4GS;  
86.5S; 86.2T; 85E = 86.71  
4001 – WYOMING LILY – Loney Kennedy – M FD WH – 86.8T  
4002 – GG’S LITTLE BOY – Glenn Gitts – M FD YL – 85B  
**4006 – HOLLYHILL LOVER BOY – Ted & Margaret Kennedy – M FD RD –  
89.9C; 89.2GS; 86.4S; 86E = 88.53**  
4013 – DOODLEBUG – Nick Gitts – M FD DB – 91.1M; 86.9S; 86.5C; 86.4T; 85.6B;  
86PC = 88.13

BA, MB or P (6001-6215)

6102 – TAHOMA SUNSET – Les Connell – MB YL – 85.3T  
**6113 – HOLLYHILL LIZ – Ted & Margaret Kennedy – MB DB – 87E; 86.4GS;  
86.2C; 85B = 86.55**

ST(7001-7015) or NX(7601-7615)

**7002 – BORN STY – Kelly Dean – ST YL – 86.2GS; 86.1S; 85.2B; 85E = 85.85**  
7008 – BLOOMQUIST ZESTY – Paul Bloomquist – ST LV – 87.8T  
7010 – MARLA O – Linda Merrell – ST LB – 86.1C  
7015 – IRISH BLACKHART – Steve & Sandy Boley – ST BI – 85.1T

WL (7301-7315)

7313 – HOLLYHILL MONET – Ted & Margaret Kennedy – WL DB – 85GS  
7315 – SANDIA CANDY CORN – Steve & Sandy Boley – WL BI – 85.3C

PE, AN, NO, CO, O, S, MS (8001-9715)

9006 – BARON KATHY – Ron Miner – CO RD – 86.6GS; 85.1T  
9205 – NTAC SHELLY – Don Filand – O DP – 89.3T; 87GS; 85.3E = 87.21  
9206 – INLAND SUNSET – Norm Anselmo – O RD – 88.6S; 85.2T  
9607 – VIAN SHADY LADY – Vittorio Fontana – S DR – 86.4T  
9607 – APOPA NIGHT – Raeann Lobaugh – S DR – 86.5E; 86.1GS  
9606 – BARON LARRY – Ron Miner – S RD – 85.1T  
9610 – TYR ROSE – Dennis Tayer – S LB – 88.6B  
9613 – CRAZY 4 WES – John Spangenberg – S DB – 85E



9705 – KELSEY BUGLET – Colin Walker – MS DP – 88.8T; 87.9C; 86.9B = 87.85  
 9706 – LO - JOY – Wayne Lobaugh – MS RD – 88.8M; 88.1S; 87.3T; 86.7GS; 86E = 88.08  
 9713 – LO - REDEYE – Wayne Lobaugh – MS DB – 90.8M; 89GS; 88E; 87.8T; 85.9S = 89.26

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**For Medal Candidates Scoring in Three or More Trial Gardens**

<b>Cultivar</b>	<b>Class.</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>GS</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>*Ave</b>	<b>Orig.</b>
Ayers Glory	AA ID FL	0112	85	85.3			87.7			85.99	Ayers
<b>Hollyhill Moonson</b>	<b>AA SC LB</b>	<b>0210</b>	<b>85.3</b>	<b>86.7</b>				<b>90</b>	<b>87.6</b>	<b>88.10</b>	<b>Kennedy</b>
Clearview Edie	A SC WH	1201	88.8		85		87.2		85.5	87.15	Parshall
ADS Centennial	B ID OR	2103			87.2		86.0		85	86.08	Godsmark
Crazy 4 Stacia	B ID PR	2109			87.3	86.6		85.8	86.7	86.85	Spangenberg
AC Shitake	B SC OR	2203	85.9		86		87.2		87.6	86.95	Greenway
AC Riley	B SC DR	2207	85.7		85.3	87.0			86.1	86.25	Greenway
<b>Hilltop Emily</b>	<b>B SC DB</b>	<b>2213</b>	<b>85.6</b>		<b>85.4</b>	<b>85.8</b>		<b>88.3</b>	<b>87.7</b>	<b>87.27</b>	<b>Dean</b>
Bloomquist Star	BB SC RD	3206	85.7		85.6				87.6	86.28	Bloomquist
<b>Clearview Audrey</b>	<b>BB SC LB</b>	<b>3210</b>	<b>85.2</b>				<b>86.3</b>		<b>89.5</b>	<b>86.99</b>	<b>Parshall</b>
River's Sunshine	BB C Y	3302	86.4		86.3				85.5	86.09	Kenyon
<b>Clearview Citron</b>	<b>BB IC YL</b>	<b>3402</b>	<b>86.5</b>				<b>86.8</b>		<b>87.9</b>	<b>87.08</b>	<b>Parshall</b>

Robann Pristine	M FD WH	4001	86		85	87.4		86.5	86.2	86.71	Moynahan
<b>Hollyhill Lover Boy</b>	<b>M FD RD</b>	<b>4006</b>		<b>89.9</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>89.2</b>		<b>86.4</b>		<b>88.53</b>	<b>Kennedy</b>
Doodlebug	M FD DB	4013	85.6	86.5			91.1	86.9	86.4	88.13	Gitts
<b>Hollyhill Liz</b>	<b>MB DB</b>	<b>6113</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>86.2</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>86.4</b>				<b>86.55</b>	<b>Kennedy</b>
<b>Born Sty</b>	<b>ST YL</b>	<b>7002</b>	<b>85.2</b>		<b>85</b>	<b>86.3</b>		<b>86.1</b>		<b>85.85</b>	<b>Dean, K</b>
NTAC Shelly	O DP	9205			85.3	87			89.3	87.21	Filand
Kelsey Buglet	MS DP	9705	86.9	87.9					88.8	87.85	Walker
Lo-Joy	MS RD	9706			86	86.7	88.8	88.1	87.3	88.08	Lobaugh
<b>Lo-Redeye</b>	<b>MS DB</b>	<b>9713</b>			<b>88</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>90.8</b>	<b>85.9</b>	<b>87.8</b>	<b>89.26</b>	<b>Lobaugh</b>

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## TRIAL GARDENS 2014

Please note that each Trial Garden has its own schedule for accepting entries based on their local growing season. Follow those guidelines for each garden. Please send viable, healthy tubers or plants.

Reservations are essential at each of the gardens. Please cancel reservations if you won't be able to send entries.

Send a picture of the entry with the application. The following entry form can be copied and digital forms are available on the ADS website, [dahlia.org](http://dahlia.org).

### EASTERN – NEW YORK

Michael Shukofsky – 516-437-0143

25 Barbara Street

Elmont, New York 11003

[kathleen07@optonline.net](mailto:kathleen07@optonline.net)

Limit of 50 cultivars. Reservations required.

Make checks payable to: Michael Shukofsky.

Send roots or plants after April 20<sup>th</sup>.

### NORTH CENTRAL – MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

Chuck Spragg – 612/866-2072

2836 West 72<sup>nd</sup> Street

Richfield, MN 55423

[mnspraggs@msn.com](mailto:mnspraggs@msn.com)

Limit of 24 cultivars. Make checks out to North Central Trial Garden.

Send tubers April 15<sup>th</sup>.

Send plants May 1<sup>st</sup>.

### MIDWEST – BONNEYVILLE, INDIANA

S. McQuitty Boyer 574/848-4888

16816 County Road 10

Bristol, Indiana 46507

[Manorsam@aol.com](mailto:Manorsam@aol.com)

Make checks payable to: S. McQuitty Boyer.

Limit of 45 cultivars.

Each originator limited to 3 entries.

Roots by April 15.

Plants by May 15.

### CANBY OREGON TRIAL GARDEN

Director TBD; check ADS website, [dahlia.org](http://dahlia.org), for reservation contact information.

Limit of 25 cultivars. Send roots and checks by

April 15<sup>th</sup> c/o Mark Oldenkamp at 23702 S.

Central Point Rd., Canby, OR, 97013, with checks made out to the Portland Dahlia Society.

### INLAND EMPIRE – SPOKANE, WASH.

Gary Plowman 509-924-4394

10509 E. Dean Ave.

Spokane Valley, WA 99206

[gdpowman@q.com](mailto:gdpowman@q.com)

Reservations required. Limit of 35 cultivars.

Please send tubers starting April 15<sup>th</sup>, plants starting May 1<sup>st</sup>. Make checks out to: Inland Empire Dahlia Society.

### PACIFIC NORTHWEST-TACOMA, WASH.

Marilyn Walton 253/564-0459

8133 N. 12<sup>th</sup> St.

Tacoma, Washington 98406

[Walton50@msn.com](mailto:Walton50@msn.com) Call or e-mail for

Reservations or more info. Send entries, form and checks all together following the mailing directions below:

Mailing through the U.S. Post Office:

Point Defiance Greenhouse

5400 North Shirley. Box #12

Tacoma, WA. 98407

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5402 North Shirley

Tacoma, WA. 98407

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Buddy Dean, Director – 828/421-9458

PO Box 1234

Cashiers, North Carolina 28717

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“Contact Trial Garden”

Limit to 18 entries (reservations required)

Send to: Carolinas Dahlia Society

c/o Buddy Dean

PO Box 1234

Cashiers, NC 28717

Tubers by April 10<sup>th</sup>, Plants by May 10<sup>th</sup>.

Checks for return of plant material should be made payable to: Carolinas Dahlia Society

**A picture of your entry should accompany the Entry Form.**

**Hybridizers that would like to have their roots returned at the end of the growing season, must prepay for the postage plus a \$10.00 digging and packing fee.**

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Lorne McArthur (403) 346-4902

RR#3 Red Deer, AB T4N 5E3 Canada

[marilyn.mcarthur@hotmail.com](mailto:marilyn.mcarthur@hotmail.com)

Limit of 30 cultivars. Please reserve.

Send tubers April 1-15. Will be started in

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\*There are no fees for putting entries into a probationary Trial Garden. Score results do not count for the CHD or in the determination of Medals. A two year probationary period is the standard requirement for a new Trial Garden.

**TRIAL GARDEN RULES**

1. See the Classification and Handbook of Dahlias for complete Trial Garden rules.
2. Only undisseminated cultivars will be accepted for trial.
3. A fee of \$12 is required for each entry in each Trail Garden.
4. Varieties sent must have been grown at least three previous seasons.
5. Cultivars may only be entered for two consecutive years.
6. Stock will be destroyed at the end of the growing season unless originator requests return. If the garden can accommodate the request, an additional fee of \$10.00 is required.
7. Solid ports of variegated cultivars are not eligible for entry.
8. Medal winners must be disseminated the following season. Inform the Trial Garden Director if dissemination plan changes.

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Name of Variety \_\_\_\_\_

Second Choice Name \_\_\_\_\_

Your Classification of Variety \_\_\_\_\_

Parentage: Seed Parent \_\_\_\_\_

Pollen Parent \_\_\_\_\_

Color Sport of what standard variety? \_\_\_\_\_

Chance Seedling (or don't know) Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Year First Grown \_\_\_\_\_ Height of Plant \_\_\_\_\_

Seedlings that are sent to the Trial Gardens should be 4th Year Seedlings.

For WI/Nov. indicate size (BB, B, Min etc) \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Variety, including any oddities \_\_\_\_\_

Please send a picture of the flower of this seedling with the roots or plants.

Was it previously entered for Trial? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Where? \_\_\_\_\_

When? \_\_\_\_\_ Score? \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Originator \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_

Entered by \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Date Shipped \_\_\_\_\_ Mail \_\_\_\_\_ Express \_\_\_\_\_

**SEND 3 ROOTS OR PLANTS**

**PLEASE SEE THE TRIAL GARDEN ADDRESS INFORMATION  
OR CONTACT TRIAL GARDEN DIRECTOR AS TO WHEN TO SEND  
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# 2013 SEEDLING BENCH EVALUATION

*Roger L. Walker, Chairman  
Al Umphenour, Co-Chairman  
Assisted by Chris Stout*

## Lynn B. Dudley Medal Awards

Large	1201	<b>Clearview Edie</b>	A SC White	88.22	Parshall
Medium	2213	<b>Hilltop Emily</b>	B SC Dark Blend	88.56	Dean
Small	3112	<b>Carnivale</b>	BB ID Flame	89.04	Iler
Small	3210	<b>Hollyhill Goldrush</b>	BB SC Light Blend	89.03	Kennedy

## Evie Gullikson Medal Award

Mignon Single	9909	<b>Lo-Purple</b>	MS Purple	90.73	Lobaugh
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## Other High-Scoring Cultivars

2109	<b>Crazy 4 Stacia</b>	B IC Purple	86.53	Spangenberg
9006	<b>Baron Kathy</b>	COL Red	87.29	Miner
9205	<b>NTAC Shelly</b>	OR Dark Pink	88.06	Filand'
9705	<b>Kelsey Buglet</b>	MS Dark Pink	87.91	Walker
9706	<b>Lo-Joy</b>	MS Red	88.04	Lobaugh
9711	<b>Lo-PT</b>	MS Bronze	88.08	Lobaugh
9713	<b>Lo-Redeye</b>	MS Dark Blend	89.80	Lobaugh

Dahlias marked with an asterisk (\*) are Achievement Award winners.

0202	Gladys W 11" X 7" yellow blooms on 9" stems Inland Empire	Plowman 85.00	AA SC Yellow	YL 9  2012 Score
0210	Eva Luna 10½" X 7" light blend blooms on 13" stems Skagit Valley	Greenway 85.00	AA SC Light Blend	YL 8 / RD 18
0410	Camille Noel 12" X 9" light blend blooms on 16" stems Lane County Douglas County	Iler 88.28* 87.17*	AA IC Light blend	OR 4 / YL 24  2012 Score 2012 Score
1102	Zoey 9¾" X 7¾" yellow blooms on 16" stems Wild River	M. Iler 90.57*	A ID Yellow	YL 19  No 2014
1201	Clearview Edie 9" X 7" white blooms on 15" stems Puget Sound Skagit Valley Snohomish County	Parshall 88.67* 88.58* 87.42*	A SC White	WH 2
1202	Narrows Ray 9¾" X 8" yellow blooms on 9¾" stems Kitsap County Grays Harbor	Walton 85.58 85.17	A SC Yellow	YL 3
2103	ADS Centennial 7" X 5" orange blooms on 4" stems Mid Island Long Island	Godsmark 88.00* 86.00	B ID Orange	OR 9  2012 Score 2012 Score
2109	Crazy 4 Stacia 6¾" X 4½" purple blooms on 4½" stems Greater Philadelphia National Capital Long Island	Spangenberg 88.00 86.25 85.33	B ID Purple	PR 25  2012 Score 2012 Score
2202	Kimberly 7" X 5" yellow blooms on 15½" stems Portland	M. Iler 90.92*	B SC Yellow	YL 19  No 2014
2203	AC Shitake 7" X 5½" orange blooms on 10½" stems Snohomish County	Greenway 85.20	B SC Orange	OR 18

2205	RaeAnn 7¾" X 5 /4" dark pink blooms on 10½" stems South Sound Lane County	M. Iler 86.75 86.25	B SC Dark Pink	DP 17  No 2014
2207	AC Riley 6¾" X 5" dark red blooms on 11" stems Skagit Valley	Greenway 86.92	B SC Dark Red	DR 3
2210	Lakeview Angel 7" X 4½" light blend blooms on 9½" stems Skagit Valley	Wilson 85.83	B SC Light Blend	WH 2 / PK 22  2012 Score
2213	Hilltop Emily 6½" X 4½" dark blend blooms on 7" stems Central States Hamilton Michigan	Dean 89.50* 89.17* 87.00*	B SC Dark Blend	DP 15 / YL 8
2313	Jillian 7" X 5¾" dark blend blooms on 12" stems Wild River Lane County Douglas County	M. Iler 88.88 88.33 86.00	B C Dark Blend	DP 14 / YL 21  No 2014
2402	Cynthia 8" X 5¾" yellow blooms on 17¾" stems Wild River Lane County	M. Iler 89.67 85.42	B IC Yellow	YL 9  No 2014
2405	Sandrine 7" X 5" dark pink blooms on 14½" stems Wild River Lane County	M. Iler 89.15 88.08	B IC Dark Pink	DP 2  2012 Score
2412	AC Legs 7½" X 5" flame blend blooms on 12½" stems Skagit Valley	Greenway 86.75	B IC Flame	RD 13 / YL 15
2413	Lexa 8" X 5¾" dark blend blooms on 19" stems Wild River	M. Iler 87.63	B IC Dark Blend	DP 11 / YL 10
2507	Red Ryder 7" X 5½" dark red blooms on 7" stems 85.47	Stach	B LAC Dark Red Vancouver	DR 3

2512	Aja 7½" X 5" flame blend blooms on 10½" stems Portland	M. Iler 85.85	B LAC Flame	RD 18 / YL 18 No 2014
3002	Gretchen F. 5½" X 3½" yellow blooms on 6½" stems Southeast Michigan	Fischer 86.00*	BB FD Yellow	YL 11 No 2014
3002	Darcy 5½" X 4" yellow blooms on 13¾" stems Wild River	M. Iler 87.17	BB FD Yellow	YL 10
3005	Abbey 4½" X 3½" dark pink blooms on 9" stems South Sound	M. Iler 90.17	BB FD Dark Pink	DP 14 No 2014
3007	Rock Run Jolene 6" X 4¾" dark red blooms on 14" stems Badger State	Wittrig 86.00*	BB FD Dark Red	DR 6
3009	GG's Kalinda 4½" X 3½" purple blooms on 8" stems Whatcom County	G. Gitts 86.00	BB FD Purple	PR 24
3010	Crazy 4 Teedy 4½" X 3½" light blend blooms on 6" stems Long Island National Capital	Spangenberg 89.67* 86.80	BB FD Light Blend	DP 19 / Y 14 2012 Score
3012	Tahoma Peach Blush 4½" X 3" flame blend blooms on 10½" stems South Sound	Connell 85.83	BB FD Flame	YL 11 / RD 9
3107	Erik's Red 5½" X 4½" dark red blooms on 14" stems Wisconsin	Stevens 85.33*	BB ID Dark Red	DR 4 2012 Score
3112	Carnivale 5" X 3½" flame blend blooms on 12" stems Portland Southern Oregon Lane County Douglas County	M. Iler 91.15 88.00 87.97 86.00	BB ID Flame	RD 18 / YL 11 2012 Score 2012 Score 2012 Score
3113	Mona 6" X 4¾" blooms on 9½" stems Lane County	Iler 85.25	BB ID Dark Blend	WH 1 / DR 12 2012 Score

3209	Bloomquist Angela 5¼" X 3½" purple blooms on 11½" stems Fraser Valley Washington State	Bloomquist 87.92* 85.84	BB SC Purple	PR 15
3210	Camano Vamp 5¼" X 4¼" light blend blooms on 13" stems Snohomish County	Ambrose 85.35	BB SC Light Blend	OR 6 / YL 18
3210	Clearview Audrey 6" X 5" light blend blooms on 10" stems Skagit Valley	Parshall 85.42	BB SC Light Blend Puget Sound	PK 21 / WH 3 86.17
3210	Hollyhill Goldrush 5¼" X 4" light blend blooms on 6½" stems Greater Philadelphia National Capital Portland	Kennedy 90.50* 88.67* 87.92	BB SC Light Blend	YL 11 / PK 6
3212	Tigris 5¼" X 4" flame blend blooms on 9½" stems Southern Oregon	Iler 89.33*	BB SC Flame	YL 11 / RD 11  2012 Score
3213	Bloomquist Jeff 5¼" X 4" dark blend blooms on 7½" stems Portland	Bloomquist 85.77	BB SC Dark Blend	PR 24 / LV 9
3213	Flambeau 5¼" X 3¾" dark blend blooms on 8" stems South Sound Lane County Douglas County	M. Iler 90.58 85.77 85.00	BB SC Dark Blend	RD 21 / OR 13  No 2014
3213	Tahoma Endeavor 5¼" X 4¾" dark blend blooms on 10½" stems Portland	Connell 85.25	BB SC Dark Blend	DP 14 / LV 2
3306	McKee 5¼" X 4¾" red blooms on 10½" stems Wild River	Chibante 86.75	BB C Red	RD 12  No 2014

3313	Liza 5½" X 4" dark blend blooms on 9½" stems Lane County Portland	M. Iler 87.23 86.17	BB C Dark Blend	RD 9 / YL 3  No 2014
3402	Clearview Citron 6" X 5" yellow blooms on 10½" stems Seattle North Central Washington	Parshall 89.17 86.56	BB IC Yellow	YL 9
3514	Purple Rain 4½" X 3½" variegated blooms on 8" stems Greenwich	Wentworth 87.50*	BB LAC Variegated	LV 9 / PR 29  2012 Score
4006	Hollyhill Lover Boy 3" X 2½" red blooms on 6" stems Portland	Kennedy 85.10	M FD Red	RD 10
4006	Lil' Robin 3¾" X 2¾" red blooms on 11½" stems Vancouver	Stach 86.08	M FD Red	RD 24
4007	Alberta Keegan 4" X 2¾" dark red blooms on 14" stems Alberta	Roberts 88.00*	M FD Dark Red	DR 12
4213	Jeremy Joe 2½" X 1½" dark blend blooms on 4½" stems Southern Tier	Schultz 85.33*	M SC Dark Blend	DR 6 / OR 8
6003	Catalina 4" X 3" orange blooms on 9" stems Wild River	M. Iler 87.02	BA Orange	OR 5  No 2014
6010	Fiona 4" X 3" light blend blooms on 11½" stems Wild River	M. Iler 88.52	BA Light Blend	OR 1 / YL 17  No 2014
6101	Lulu 3" X 2½" white blooms on 7½" stems Portland Douglas County	M. Iler 88.42 86.00	MB White	WH 1  No 2014
6102	Ember 3¾" X 2¾" yellow blooms on 11½" stems Portland	M. Iler 88.50	MB Yellow	YL 5  No 2014

6102	Tahoma Sunset 2½" X 2½" yellow blooms on 10" stems Washington State Portland	Connell 88.00 86.00	MB Yellow	YL 11
6107	Romulus 3" X 2½" dark red blooms on 6½" stems Douglas County	M. Iler 86.17*	MB Dark Red	DR 6 No 2014
6110	Crazy 4 Sampson 2½" X 2½" light blend blooms on 11½" stems National Capital	Spangenberg 87.33	MB Light Blend	YL 16 / PK 16 No 2014
6110	Fifi 2½" X 2" light blend blooms on 7½" stems Portland	M. Iler 85.00	MB Light Blend	PK 17 / WH 2 No 2014
6113	Hollyhill Liz 2½" X 1½" dark blend blooms on 6½" stems National Capital Lane County	Kennedy 90.00* 88.75	MB Dark Blend	PR 23 / WH 3
7013	Spa Delight 4½" X 3½" dark blend blooms on 9" stems Skagit Valley	Thatcher 85.75	ST Dark Blend	OR 17 / RD 8
7306	Richmond Ruby 5½" red blooms on 11½" stems Vancouver	Krueger 86.33	WL Red X	RD 15
7606	Echo Felicia 4½" X 3½" red blooms on 5" stems Alberta	McArthur 86.00	NX Red	RD 16 No 2014
7606	Echo Yasmin 4½" X 2½" red blooms on 8½" stems Alberta	McArthur 86.33	WL Red	RD 24 No 2014
7609	River's Purple Pinwheel 5" X 3½" purple blooms on 8" stems Rochester	Kenyon 89.67*	NX Purple	PR 34 No 2014
7610	Alberta Brynna 3½" X 2½" light blend blooms on 8" stems Alberta	Roberts 87.67	NX Light Blend	PK 18 / DP 18



8215	Bon Odori 4" bicolor blooms on 12" stems Wild River	K. Iler 90.17	AN Bicolor	WH 1 / RD 24 / wh 4
9005	Jacs Ashley 4½" dark pink blooms on 13" stems Washington State	Stout 85.88	COL Dark Pink	DP 17 / wh 3
9006	Baron Kathy 4½" red blooms on 7½" stems Mahoning Valley Ohio Show 2 Greater Columbus	Miner 88.17* 87.03* 86.67*	COL Red	RD 18 / fl y 15/rd 18
9007	Monob Bill 3½" dark red blooms on 10" stems Alberta	McClaren 87.33	COL Dark Red	DR 3 / rd 10 No 2014
9007	NTAC Brian 4" dark red blooms on 9½" stems Kitsap County Whatcom County	Filand 87.58 85.50	COL Dark Red	DR 11 / dr 11 / dp 16
9009	Baron Sylvia 4" purple blooms on 9" stems Ohio Ohio Show 2	Miner 87.17* 85.37	COL Purple	PR 26 / wh 3
9013	U2 Fire 2½" dark blend blooms on 4½" stems Montana	McClaren 86.00	COL Dark Blend X	RD 23 / OR 4 / or 4
9014	Jacs Zoom 2" variegated blooms on 5" stems Seattle Grays Harbor	Stout 85.83 85.33	COL Variegated	DP 1 / DR 2
9205	NTAC Shelly 5" dark pink blooms on 8½" stems South Sound Puget Sound Kitsap County Seattle Washington State Whatcom County North Central Washington Grays Harbor	Filand 88.50 88.00 87.67 87.00 86.85 86.75* 86.63* 86.08	OR Dark Pink	DP 18 / wh 1

9206	Inland Sunset 5½" red blooms on 9¾" stems Inland Empire - Show 1 Inland Empire - Show 2	Anselmo 88.33* 88.00*	OR Red	RD 24 / or 11
9212	RaeAnn's Sol 4¾" flame blend blooms on 7½" stems South Sound Portland Washington State	W. Lobaugh 89.33 88.92 86.27	OR Flame	RD 3 / YL 11  No 2014
9213	Gala Star 3¾" dark blend blooms on 6¾" stems Wild River Douglas County	K. Iler 86.92 85.42	OR Dark Blend	WH 1 / DP 17 / yl 9
9413	Kite Runner 3¾" dark blend blooms on 9¾" stems Mahoning Valley Greater Columbus	K. Iler 86.83 85.67	OT Dark Blend	DR 6 / WH 1 / drr 6-db/wh 1/drr6
9602	Dandie Kay 4½" yellow blooms on 4¾" stems Inland Empire - Show 1	Valler 85.67	S Yellow	YL 11
9613	Apopa Sky 4¾" dark blend blooms on 8½" stems Kitsap County	R. Lobaugh 85.00	S Dark Blend	DP 17 / WH 2
9613	Crazy 4 Wes 4" dark blend blooms on 10" stems Greater Philadelphia National Capital	Spangenberg 89.33 87.10	S Dark Blend	WH 3 / LV 9  2012 Score 2012 Score
9613	Dandie Sandra 4½" dark blend blooms on 6¾" stems Inland Empire - Show 1	Valler 85.50	S Dark Blend	LV 12 / PR 24 / pr 36
9613	Eclipse 5" dark blend blooms on 10" stems Wild River	K. Iler 88.33	S Dark Blend	DP 17 / LV 3

9705	Kelsey Buglet 1½" dark pink blooms on 3½" stems	C. Walker	MS Dark Pink	DP 10
	Washington State	88.92*		2012 Score
	Kitsap County	87.82		2012 Score
	Portland	87.00		2012 Score
	Puget Sound	86.50		2012 Score
	Skagit Valley	86.00		2012 Score
	Whatcom County	85.50		2012 Score
	Snohomish County	85.03		2012 Score
9706	Lo-Joy 1¾" red blooms on 5" stems	W. Lobaugh	MS Red	RD 14
	Portland	88.17		
	Grays Harbor	88.00*		
	Washington State	87.95		
	Kitsap County	85.00		
9709	Lo-Darkling 1¾" purple blooms on 6½" stems	W. Lobaugh	MS Purple	PR 24
	Portland	86.00		2012 Score
9709	Lo-Purple 2" purple blooms on 5¾" stems	W. Lobaugh	MS Purple	PR 24
	South Sound	93.00		
	Kitsap County	89.83		
	Portland	89.37		2012 Score
	Grays Harbor	86.17		
	Washington State	85.57		
9711	Lo-PT 2" bronze blooms on 4¾" stems	W. Lobaugh	MS Bronze	BR 3
	Grays Harbor	90.67		2012 Score
	Portland	87.33		2012 Score
	Washington State	86.25		2012 Score
9713	Kelsey Dwarf 1¾" dark blend blooms on 4" stems	C. Walker	MS Dark Blend	DP 14 / dp 18
	Kitsap County	90.25*		No 2014
	Washington State	88.25		
	Puget Sound	87.67		
	Snohomish County	86.37		
	Skagit Valley	86.33		

9713	Lo-Redeye	W. Lobaugh	MS Dark Blend	BR 12 / RD 24
	2" dark blend blooms on 3 1/2" stems			
	Portland	90.67		2012 Score
	Lane County	90.52	X	
	Washington State	88.20	X	
	Grays Harbor	86.50		
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Planting began May 24 and completed June 3, all entries are potted soon after receipt and often some are topped before taken to the garden. As the weather is unpredictable we delay planting out as one year I was covering the plants at midnight about May 20 with a frost warning.

Some smaller entries were blooming mid July and majority of the entries were blooming by August 10 when had a good turnout of judges from Wisconsin, Illinois and Michigan for our judging day. Some of the entries were 6 feet by the end of August, the weather was a great improvement from '12.

Apparently some of our judges are evaluating the Open Type differently as some commented the entries were better than those being exhibited but they did not receive a passing score.

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*Steve Kuiper/Mac Boyer*

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## TUBER TALK

After years of playing third fiddle in the floral orchestra, dahlias are now emerging as soloists. Their size, posture and bright colors can set a dominant theme. The smaller growing cultivars, like border or mignon dahlias, can carry a melody along the bed. Enough of the metaphor! Just look at the shopping and gardening publications, and the plant and flower catalogues. Dahlias are increasingly prominent, particularly open-centered cultivars and those with dark foliage. The future of the dahlia is in its diversity. The recent introductions of micro dahlias and border dahlias will progress the dahlia and encourage gardeners who do not have access to a regular garden. They can successfully grow these dahlias in pots and containers. I planted about a half dozen of these floriferous cultivars on our terrace, and they are a daily delight.

There is a tension between the "outside world" and the "inside world" of dahlias. The heroes of most dahlia shows are the giant and large dahlias. In almost every competition, bigger is better. As a result, there is a fertilizer arms race going on. Foliage is beginning to resemble banana leaves, stems are the diameter of broom sticks and the distance between pairs of leaves is steroidal. One answer to this trend is to abandon the use of foliage at shows. Spare us from the airplane wings, and lower the heights of the entries. There is nothing prohibiting local societies from experimenting with such changes in their shows.

The tendency toward size and coarseness has extended to BBs, balls and even miniatures. Proportion and delicacy have been lost in the judging process. This is not a surprise, because many of the judges are growing the blooms in competition. Particularly in the miniature, miniature ball and pompon classes, "diminutiveness" should be a consideration on the show table? This would increase the diversity of our flower.

For the gardener growing a relatively small number of dahlia plants, "The Show" can be an intimidating experience. "I could never grow a plant with blooms that big or perfect." Diversity of the dahlia includes encouraging gardeners to grow and exhibit dahlias. Winning a blue ribbon or a tricolor will almost guarantee a return the next year and more active participation in the local dahlia club activities. In the National Capital Dahlia Society, we have a Novice competition and a special show-within-the-show for gardeners who grow 100 hills or fewer, excluding seedlings. As a result, the Court of Honor is populated with entries from an impressive number of exhibitors. Over time, some of our small growers move on to open

competition and make room for others to have success on the show table. This approach to showing dahlias has helped our Society nurture new growers and accomplish generational transitions.

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*Harry Risetto*

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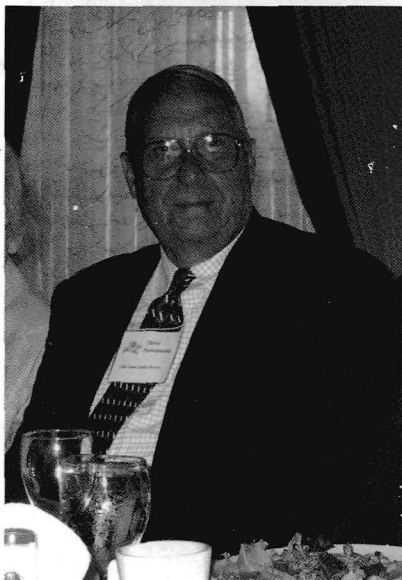
There is still time to put a check to the ADS in the Project Fund envelope that arrived with the September Bulletin. Give the ADS a holiday present.

<p>American Dahlia Society <b>2013 Annual Gift Fund</b> To support special dahlia projects (More details in the September ADS Bulletin)</p> <p>\$ ____ ADS Centennial Show Fund \$ ____ ADS Research Fund \$ ____ ADS Bulletin Color Fund \$ ____ ADS Boeke Archives Fund \$ ____ ADS Special Projects</p> <p><b>Gifts to the ADS are tax deductible</b></p> <p>Name _____ Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____ E-mail Address _____</p> <p><b>At-Large Members can include 2014 annual dues in this envelope</b></p>	
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## STEPHEN NOWOTARSKI AWARDED ADS GOLD MEDAL

Bountiful energy, these two words aptly describe Steve Nowotarski. In 2013, the American Dahlia Society confers the Gold Medal to one of its most active Executive Board members, Stephen Nowotarski. Steve joined the Board in 2003 as chair of the Garden Dahlia Committee. He had previously attended several ADS board meetings, where he continually championed having the ADS give more recognition to garden, border and cut-flower dahlias. Steve has continually emphasized it's the attractive garden types that most people grow and he stresses that it behooves the ADS to support interest in dahlia culture that didn't singularly focus on growing for competition. The annual ADS container dahlia competition is an example of Steve's imagination and energy. Here is an example of how the everyday-gardener's dahlia is celebrated.



In the decade following his appointment to the board, Steve has been one of the major contributors to the Bulletin. Our late editor, Norm Hines, continually relied on him to supply interesting content for our quarterly publication. Eventually, the environmentally friendly or green revolution caught Steve's attention and he has become the ADS's prime spokesman in advocating sustainable gardening practices. Steve also has a good understanding of how important it is to get your name out there for the world to see. He has designed, continually developed and further supported programs to make the ADS more visible to the gardening world. These ideas and efforts continue to this day.

Probably the greatest contribution Steve has made to the ADS, is his ability to see value in changing the way the board has traditionally done business. Steve the salesman, knows the importance of closing a deal. On numerous occasions he has brought new ideas and a new way of accomplishing things to the table. This thinking "outside of the box" can make some folks uncomfortable at times, but looking at various issues and opportunities with a different perspective ultimately serves the society well.

For sure, the board hasn't always done it Steve's way, but his presence and his persistence has challenged the board to think beyond the old way of doing business. That is good!

We extend our congratulations to Steve Nowotarski on receiving the ADS Gold Medal in 2013.

*Jerry Landerholm, Special Awards*

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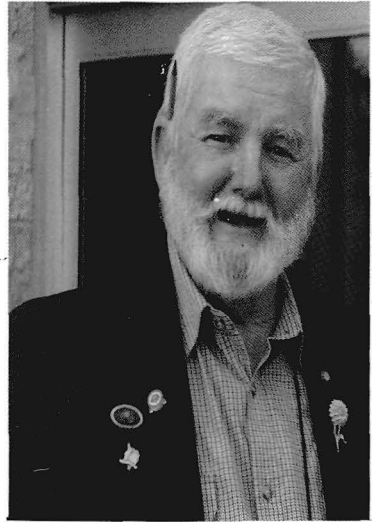
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## JOHN MENZEL RECEIVES ADS SILVER MEDAL

There is a dahlia man from Winkie, South Australia who is an innovator, an educator, an organizer and an ambassador. We have the honor of recognizing Mr. John Menzel with the ADS Silver Medal.

As an innovator, John has refined the methodology of successfully growing dahlias in the some of the harshest of conditions. Where the Menzels call home, extreme heat and limited supplies of water would seemingly make growing the dahlia impossible. This is not the case with John. Using shade fabric, spot watering (and who knows how many other secret techniques?) the hot winds from the "Outback" don't prevent the dahlia patch in Winkie from producing excellent blooms on healthy plants.



John appreciates that going forward, more of the world will be facing water shortages. As an educator, he is offering to shrink the size of the learning curve on how to grow dahlias with relatively minute amounts of water. This is an opportunity to learn, that we should not pass up. John is offering to teach us how to maximize the results from that increasingly precious resource we call water.

John is the first president of the Dahlia Society of Australia. By comparison to many other national dahlia societies, the DS of A is a newbie. The great distances and geographic differences across Australia, historically separated the regional dahlia societies and discouraged the formation of a national society. This was overcome not too many years ago when approximately ten societies formed the DS of A. There were many contributors to this cause, but certainly, John was a key organizer among them. We extend our best wishes to the Dahlia Society of Australia for continued success.

It has been a policy of the ADS to recognize people who extend their love for dahlias to the greater world and to the greater benefit of the dahlia itself. John Menzel is one these people and we in the American Dahlia Society, wish to recognize John as one of these special ambassadors.

*Jerry Landerholm, ADS Special Awards*



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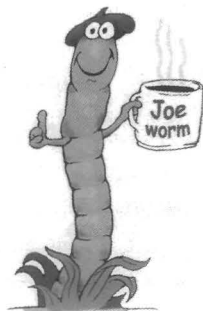
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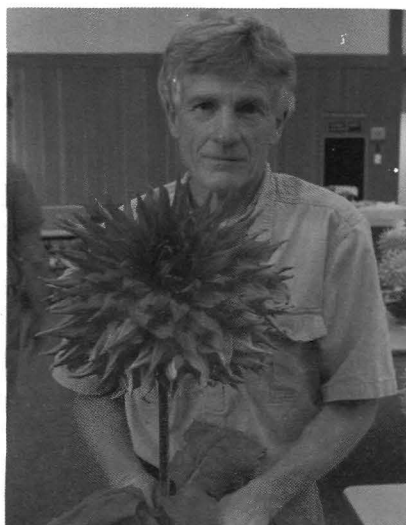
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## GETTING BIG NEW RECORD FOR LARGEST DAHLIA



ADS president Kevin Larkin with his winning bloom of Creve Coeur

The Worlds Largest Dahlia (WLD) program has gone international! Hey, Canada gets us on the road to global acceptance, right? In the US, entries are now coming from across the country. Acceptance and understanding of the program is developing and evolving. I was surprised at how I enjoyed the results table. Seeing a seedling on the list and an old timer, Mount Baker, has made me value the program in a new way: whose growing what and where, along with how big.

But the brunt of WLD is the size record, and this year Kevin Larkin and Karen Zydner dominated with a 14.75 inch Creve Coeur. Kevin and Karen were followed by their 2012 co-record holder Kristine Albrecht, who this year trailed by more than 1.5 inches with her respectable Emory Paul.

An interesting thing about the bloom of Creve Coeur that Kevin and Karen showed was that I measured it informally, early in the morning, and it easily went over 15 inches. When it was measured "officially" a couple of hours later in the morning, the bloom had lost nearly half an inch in size off its greatest diameter. The bloom still looked fresh and had no obvious signs of wilt but perhaps after a few hours, the huge ray florets had moved enough to account for the loss. So, the lesson learned is that LDW blooms should be measured as soon as possible by the two senior judges, especially if the bloom is record contender.

## Different approaches

Several dahlia shows have opted to not have a LDW class in their show schedule, but instead have the judges select and measure from the blooms in open competition. I'm happy to see these results submitted but it does affect the value of the table data. In addition, without a LDW class, the "less than show quality" monsters have nowhere to be entered. Although some would believe that the "less than show worthy" blooms deserve no space in the show, I would counter that a couple of blown centered 15 inch Emory Pauls or Creve Couers will attract more attention than any other bloom in the show. And if an LDW entry is really "that bad", it could be measured and then removed from the show.

Wherever the LDW entries come from, the important thing is to keep those entries coming. Many people have indicated how they think the LDW contest is good fun and that it will keep growing. We have a lot of room for that growth.

Remember to check the ADS web site, [dahlia.org](http://dahlia.org), for pictures and more thoughts on the LDW program.

Ken Masurat  
[dahliaken@yahoo.com](mailto:dahliaken@yahoo.com)

### 2013 results for the Worlds Largest Dahlia program

Size	Cultivar	Date	Exhibitor	Show Society	Home Society
14.75	Creve Coeur	8/3	Larkin/Zydner	San Leandro DS, CA	Monterey Bay DS, CA
13.125	Emory Paul	8/17	Kristine Albrecht	DS of California	Monterey Bay DS, CA
13.00	Emory Paul	8/3	Peg Andrianni	San Leandro DS, CA	San Leandro DS, CA
13.00*	Emory Paul	9/14	Scott Holub	Lane County DS, OR	Lane County DS, OR
13.00	Bryn Terfel	8/3	Deborah Dietz	San Leandro DS, CA	DS of California
12.75	Seedling 12-3	9/14	Jerry Wittrig	Southtown DClub, IL	Elkhart DS, IN
12.50	Sir Alf Ramsey	8/3	Kristine Albrecht	San Leandro DS, CA	Monterey Bay DS, CA
12.50	AC Dark Horse	8/3	Kristine Albrecht	San Leandro DS, CA	Monterey Bay DS, CA
12.50	Emory Paul	8/17	Peg Andrianni	DS of California	San Leandro DS, CA
12.25	Emory Paul	8/31	Kristine Albrecht	Monterey Bay DS, CA	Monterey Bay DS, CA
12.00	Nick Sr.	9/7	Norm Anselmo	Inland Empire DS, WA	Inland Empire DS, WA
12.00	Nick Sr.	8/24	Norm Anselmo	Inland Empire DS, WA	Inland Empire DS, WA
11.75	Mount Baker	8/17	Paul McKittrick	Victoria DS, BC	Victoria DS, BC
11.75	Nick Sr.	8/17	Lou Paradise	DS of California	DS of California
11.50	Irene's Pride	8/31	Keith Berven	West MI Dahlia Soc	Southeastern MI Soc.
10.875	Penhill Dk Mon.	9/7	K&M Masurat	John Stowell DS, CA	John Stowell DS, CA
10.50	Verda	9/7	Ed Miller	Southern Tier DS, NY	Southern Tier DS, NY

## **WHAT I LEARNED THIS SHOW SEASON**

**Rosemary Freeman, Puget Sound Dahlia Association**

Judging the ball form has always been challenging for me, but this year I had the opportunity to judge the ball form in all three sizes. In one of our local shows, I was assigned to judge the ball section, but I also became a "floater judge" in both the mini-ball and the pompon sections when one of their team members had to step out. This really enabled me to focus on the ball form in all sizes at one time and it was fairly easy to spot the really good ones.

Balls are softball sized at 3.5 inches and over, Miniature Balls are tennis ball sized at 2 to 3.5 inches, and Pompons are golf ball sized at up to 2.5 inches. All need to be ball shaped with the sides of each ray florets overlapping to form a "honey comb" appearance (in some flowers you can actually see the edges overlapping and making open spaces that you can see into). Occasionally the centers may appear concave, meaning there is a dip or depression in the roundness of the ball at the center. This is not so good, not a major fault, but one without the dip would score higher. Some exhibit a "coarse" appearance, again not so good – anything that detracts from the pleasing smooth ball appearance should be marked down in your estimation. Balls can be top facing or looking at you at a 45° angle; one presentation is not preferred over the other.

The ray florets should reflex towards the stem (wrapping around or touching the stem is best). Below the equator towards the bottom of the ball, you will see what appears to be "form breaks" when the florets wrap down towards the stem. In other words you lose the "honey comb" appearance and notice a more formal decorative "flat shingles on a roof" appearance. I would not say this is really a "form break", but more of a physical way for the petals to naturally "close" the ball. This should happen in the last 2 to 3 rows in the balls and in the last 1 to 2 rows in the miniature balls and pompons, if it breaks form closer to the equator on the flower – it would really be mixed form and not score as well.

Because of the small size of the pompon quite often we'll see the involucre (the collection of bracts that enclose the developing bud, that folds back onto the stem as the flower opens) showing at the base of the pompon. This is somewhat unsightly and if it's a noticeable detraction should be marked down in your estimation. These involucre can be pinched off or cut off as the flower develops, but the casual observer should not be able to notice that grooming has taken place.

If you too are a little unsure of what constitutes good ball form and what is mixed form in a ball, I would encourage you to look at all the balls in all three sizes, tiny, small, and large – it really helps to look at the total range.

## THE DAHLIA SHOW YEAR IN REVIEW

By Larry Smith

From my perspective as a senior judge with over 20 years experience showing dahlias at ADS shows, 2013 was shaping up to be a stellar year. The Pacific Northwest was blessed with the best early growing conditions in recent memory and I was armed with several new-to-me varieties with great show potential. I got ready to clear space in my trophy case to make room for all of the anticipated loot that I would win at the shows.

Well, as they say, the best laid plans..... Just before our local Portland show on Labor Day weekend, we were surprised by unseasonable downpours. Looking upon the blooms in my patch, one word came to mind: compost! Oh, well, must support our show, so I managed to wrangle about 85 entries. After judging was complete, I wasn't surprised to find a good many of my entry tags sporting checkmarks (signifying "you lose") and a good number of second place stickers. Even so, 25 or so had blue first place stickers. Four of those advanced to the head table, some receiving votes for "Best in Show," which I learned by eavesdropping on the final round of head table judging. Not too bad for "compost!" Good results are addictive and, being groggy after an all night session staging blooms, I made plans for the following week to go to the South Sound show with Adrienne Hale, an enthusiastic first time exhibitor/candidate judge. She had just been notified that she had won Novice Sweepstakes and was eager to attend more shows.

Having gone to South Sound show before, I knew it would be competitive. Growing conditions up north are superior and top notch growers/exhibitors from all around the Sound bring their best. Unfortunately, reports of torrential downpours and wind overnight on Thursday materialized, well over 1.5 inches of rain fell in Portland. Instead of bounding out of bed at first light on Friday to begin the harvest, I cowered with my head under the covers. There wouldn't be anything worth exhibiting anyway, my patch was walloped even worse than the week before. I might have opted to hoist the white flag and stay home had I not made plans to go with Adrienne, but what message would that send to a new exhibitor? I summoned the courage to slink out at 10:30 a.m. and pick anything that didn't look half dead, carefully shaking the water off, ending up with about 60 less-than-half-dead exhibits. To my surprise, they won more blue ribbons than at the Portland show and three of them made it to the head table. Adrienne pointed out that my Barberry Red Dwarf was gracing the top of the head table as Best Fully Double Bloom in Show...the first time one of my flowers had ever won that honor, and at a Washington show! Now I can die fulfilled, Fully Double BIS was on my bucket list! The rosette that

came with it is very impressive, at least 30 inches long, colorful and glitzy, lacking only neon lights. I share this honor with my fellow Portland Dahlia Society members...as we support, encourage, and egg one another on throughout the year, I feel that any such honor bestowed upon one of us belongs to us all.

Lane County Show came the following week and I agreed to go there with another new novice exhibitor/candidate judge, Linda Taylor. These newbies have such glee about what they are learning, it sucks us old timers right in and relights our fires! The days prior to this show featured hot, humid temperatures up to 20 degrees above normal! and predicted strong east winds. Fortunately, the winds did not materialize, but the bright sun had drained the vibrant colors out of many of the best varieties in my unprotected patch. Oh, well, the show must go, I managed to come up with about 60 entries, four which somehow advanced to the head table. Adrienne again won Novice Sweepstakes.

Looking back on this crazy show season, I am amazed that we weren't beset by locusts! All in all, the experience was fun and this old dog learned (and relearned) a few tricks. First, going in with limited expectations works well. Max Ollieu, one of our club's superior growers/exhibitors who turns out otherworldly blooms sets a goal of keeping from getting "skunked" (having no entries advance to the head table). Max never will be skunked and always seems surprised and happy with his results. I took a similar approach and it worked, I was delighted with my results this year, even as compared to my preseason dreams. Secondly, I learned that even if I am not 100% happy with a bloom, show it anyway. Whenever I prepare blooms for a show, I hear fellow PDS member Gary Murphy's voice echo with one of his favorite advisements: "Take what you have, let the judge decide." Linda Taylor reminded me that any bloom adds color to the show. Often, I find that some judge may be more impressed with it than I am and sometimes a bloom that I considered leaving at home ends up on the head table! Finally, this show season reaffirmed how satisfying it can be to exhibit blooms to the best of my ability, regardless of challenging conditions, and to encourage others who are interested in giving it a try. For those who have never shown a bloom, I highly recommend it. It is habit forming, as is the camaraderie of hobnobbing with fellow dahlia enthusiasts and helping one another achieve our dahlia nirvana.

My goal for next year is to find a way to keep blooms looking fresh longer. I want to stage them earlier in order to ensure that I am able to get at least a few hours of sleep on Friday nights during show season. I also plan to work on getting a flower on the head table at a National Show, the next one of which will be held just up the road from Portland, in Tacoma. That would be one more thing to cross off my bucket list!

## HOLLAND VISIT

(See photos on bulletin cover)

On August 31, 2013 my wife Tanis and I went to Holland for two reasons. The first was to visit the commercial dahlia garden of Jan Geerlings whose late father was written up in a recent ADS Bulletin.

The Geerlings garden is massive with over 200 species of Dahlias available for sale. The sandy soil, and very high water table means they never have to water their plants and spend most of the time debudding.

The gardens also get full sun. He plants his Dahlias about 14 inches apart in rows of three so they are almost self supporting and each row is one type of Dahlia.

Jan was very gracious and gave us a tour of his garden of which he and his wife are very proud. They have been growing Dahlias for 60 years.

Next we travelled to southern Holland on September 1, 2013 to the small Town of Zundert, for their Annual Dahlia Parade which was the main reason for our trip.

We were not disappointed, there were fields of Dahlias everywhere which were used for the 20 floats that take part in the parade.

Each float is designed and constructed by a team of at least 40 people and they work on the float for an entire year. Each team builds a temporary tent structure 40 feet high and 80 feet long in which they will secretly build their float.

Once the design is done a steel skeleton frame is constructed on a wheel base, all of the floats are manually operated including lots of moving parts, they are all approximately 30 feet tall and vary in length, some floats have 3 separate parts.

The steel frame is covered in Styrofoam and the completely covered with Dahlias just before the Parade. Two days after the Parade the entire structure is dismantled and recycled and the entire process is started for the following year.

Tanis and I had seats in the Grandstand which also housed the Judges. We arranged for the seats from home before we left, they cost about \$35

each. This small town of 5000 attracts 55,000 people each year to the Parade which is held on the first Sunday in September.

We were able to get some great photos of the floats, and gardens as well as some pictures at the Geerlings patch .

We had to miss our own Club Show in order to attend but it was well worth the experience and we would go again.

*Larry D. Hall President Hamilton Dahlia Society, Ontario, Canada.*

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## COMPARE THREE METHODS OF STARTING DAHLIA SEEDS

I have grown dahlia seeds since 1980. I have always had what I considered a poor germination rate for the seed I planted. I will admit that with my own seed I planted everything that looked like a seed. I felt that if it did not sprout there was nothing lost. On years when my own seed production was poor or not successful at all I would purchase seed from a commercial grower so I would have some seed to grow. Here again the germination rate was not as high as I would have liked despite the fact that at the end of the day I had more than enough seedling to plant and evaluate.

Over the years I have read articles about sprouting dahlia seed and always considered following the articles recommendations but at planting time I never followed through. This year I decided to follow through and carefully monitor the germination rate of three specific and diverse methods and see what happened. The following is a report on the three methods.

### Ordered Seed

Ordered 5 packets from Seed Supplier A  
105 – 110 seeds per packet - nice black seed mostly small size seed.  
(approximately .500 long)

Ordered 6 packets from Seed Supplier B  
130 – 170 seeds per packet - seed color was on the gray side a lot of thin  
seed very few fat seeds (approximately .625 to .750 long)

### The Plan

Compare various planting methods for seed and see which gives the best germination rate.

Used three methods of planting seeds;

1. Plant the seed horizontally in soil, attempting to position the seed so the base of the curved seeds was pointing downward into the soil
2. Plant the seed vertically in soil
3. Sprout the seed on moist paper toweling and then transfer the sprouted seed to soil filled cell pack.



## **Constants**

I would attempt to make the planting conditions as uniform as possible.  
Used 11" by 21" - 96 cell plug trays throughout – one seed per cell  
Used Sun Gro Redi-Earth Plug and Seedling Mix (Canadian Sphagnum peat moss, vermiculite,)

Before using, All the soil filled trays were saturated overnight by standing in water containing a mild solution of Peter's Water Soluble Fertilizer 20-10-20 Peat Light Special (8oz./ 35Gal) and Roots diluted 100/1.

Ambient Temperature approximately 70° (At the end of the florescent lighting cycle the temp would rise to ~ 80°)

Florescent Lighting cycle on 12 hours off 12 hours trays placed 6" from lights

Trays covered with 2" high clear plastic domes to conserve moisture.

## **Plan #1**

Place one seed in each cell. Lay the seed horizontal, if possible place curved seed with tail and tip down. Cover with approximately .125 of soil. After covering with soil water the covering soil using pump sprayer to moisten top .125 of soil and press it against the seeds. This is the way I have planted seeds for years. This type of positioning of the seed with the base end pointing down is based on article in NDS bulletin advocating base end should be pointing more downward so young sprout go down into soil.

## **Action Plan #1**

Planted 2 trays ( 96 Cells each) full using seed from Seed Supplier A.

Planted 5 trays ( 96 Cells each) full using seed from Seed Supplier B.

There were 5 trays because Seed Supplier B supplied more seeds per packet.

Placed trays under florescent lights

## **Results of Plan #1 Horizontal**

First seeds sprouted after 3 days, poking their green heads through soil.  
Seed Supplier A had 3 seeds showing in two trays after 3 days.  
Seed Supplier B had one seed showing in five trays after 3 days.

### Plan #1 Horizontal

Days After Planting	Seed Supplier A				Seed Supplier B						
	Sprouted Tray H1	Sprouted Tray H2	Total H1 & H2	Overall Percent	Sprouted Tray H 1	Sprouted Tray H 2	Sprouted Tray H 3	Sprouted Tray H 4	Sprouted Tray H 5	Total H1 thru H5	Overall Percent
3	3	0	3		1	0	0	0	0	1	
5	10	2	12	6.3	2	3	2	3	3	13	2.7
7	21	9	30	15.6	3	7	9	13	17	49	10.2
10	28	9	37	19.2	10	9	15	14	21	69	14.3
12	46	32	78	40.0	20	11	17	17	23	78	19.3
15	49	42	91	47.4	20	16	17	19	26	98	20.4

### Plan #2 Vertical

Place one seed in each cell. Plant seed so it stood vertically in soil. Using a dibble (a pencil works) make a .250Ø hole .500 deep in the soil of each cell. Drop the seed into the hole. Planted seed with the base (end nearest head – away from stigma end) down into hole, dropped seeds into holes then firmed seeds as well as possible from sides. In some cases the stigma end poked above the soil level. This method is based on an article by Paul Hale in the ADS bulletin many years ago emphasizing the importance of getting the young sprout to grow down into the soil.

### Action Plan #2

Planted 2 trays ( 96 Cells each) full using seed from Seed Supplier A.

Planted 2 trays ( 96 Cells each) full using seed from Seed Supplier B.

Placed trays under florescent lights

### Results of Plan #2

First seeds sprouted after 2 days, poking their green heads through soil.

Seed Supplier A had 18 seeds showing in 2 trays after three days.

Seed Supplier B had 2 seed showing in two trays after three days.

#### Plan #2 Vertical

Days After Planting	Seed Supplier A				Seed Supplier B			
	Sprouted Tray V1	Sprouted Tray V2	Total V1 & V2	Overall Percent	Sprouted Tray 1	Sprouted Tray 2	Total V1 & V2	Overall Percent
3	18	0	18		2	0	2	
5	22	15	37	19.2	10	8	18	9.3
7	28	24	52	27.0	13	18	31	16.1
9	30	26	56	29.2	15	21	36	18.7
12	30	26	56	29.2	15	21	36	18.7
14	38	32	70	36.4	16	22	38	19.8
17	40	38	78	40.6	25	25	50	26.0

### **Plan #3**

Sprout the seed on paper toweling. Once sprouted transfer the seeds to cells. Used a very shallow tray – 10 x 21 size but only .750 deep.

I placed standard size paper toweling cut down to fit tray, two layers of paper toweling as base for seeds. Saturated paper toweling and poured off excess water. Placed seed on paper toweling spacing seeds about .500 apart. Covered seeds with a third piece of paper toweling. I used a misting bottle to spray the top layer of paper until it was thoroughly saturated. I covered tray with 2" high clear plastic dome to conserve moisture. Note: this is the method recommended by several commercial growers.

Once the seeds are sprouted they will be transferred to the 96 cell trays. As soon as it is apparent that the seed hull has been breached by the root sprout the seed is transferred to the cell pack. The sprouted roots grow very rapidly.

Place one seed in each cell. I plant seed vertically. Using a dibble make a .250Ø hole .500 deep in the soil of each cell. Drop the seed into the hole. I planted seed with sprouted end down into hole. Dropped seeds into holes then firmed seeds as well as possible from sides. In some cases the stigma end poked above the soil level.

### **Action Plan #3**

Place one envelope of seeds on paper toweling (104) seed from Seed Supplier A.

Place one envelope of seeds on paper toweling (176) seed from Seed Supplier B.

Placed trays on kitchen counter so I have constant 70° ambient and covered with plastic dome.

### **Results of Plan #3**

First seeds sprouted after two days, poking white root tip out of black seed.

Seed Supplier A had thirty five seeds sprouted after two days.

Seed Supplier B had ten seeds sprouted after two day.

Lifting the top sheet of paper toweling is quite easy only one or two seeds stuck to the top sheet.

Every day the trays must be checked and sprouted seeds potted up. If left longer than a day the tiny sprout will dig into the paper toweling fiber and

be hard to pull it out without damaging the young sprout.

Do not allow the paper toweling to dry out. I would spray the paper toweling with a hand mister after picking out the sprouted seeds each day.

I would recommend a fine tweezers with a very light touch. I have an 8" pair. I would also recommend a pair of strong reading glasses.

Note we lost a few sprouted seeds in the transplanting process. The young sprouted seeds are very fragile. Next year I will use a butter knife to make a slit in the soil to accept the seed.

**Plan #3 Sprouted**

Days After Planting	Seed Supplier A		Seed Supplier B	
	Sprouted	Percent	Sprouted	Percent
2	35	33	10	5
3	53	51	26	15
4	60	57	51	29
5	64	61.5	60	34
6	65	62.5	61	34.6
7	-		65	36.9

## **Conclusion**

It is very apparent from the above info that the best germination rate can be achieved by using plan #3, sprouting the seeds on paper toweling. (At this point I wish I had planted all the seed on paper toweling)

Sprouting the seeds on paper toweling provided a minimum of approximately 50% improvement over the horizontal or vertical method certainly these numbers are not absolute because of many variables I could not control. There certainly was variability between the packets but I would have hoped that the packets were filled in a random pattern and thus as uniform a sample as possible was achieved. Certainly the trend is very apparent.

Sprouting the seeds on paper toweling requires more labor but the superior germination rate is well worth the extra effort. I will stress that with the paper toweling method the seeds must be checked daily. If left for more than one day the tip of the sprout will borrow into the paper toweling and be very difficult to lift without damaging the young sprout. All the sprouting took place in 7 days with the paper toweling method. Seed Supplier A seedlings tended to show more vigor when they sprouted both on the paper toweling and in the other methods.

I will readily admit that this study only covers the germination rate of the seeds. The quality of the resulting plants and the number of good potential varieties remains to be seen when they bloom in August and September and are evaluated for further consideration as potential introductions. I hope to follow up in a later ADS bulletin with the results of the final evaluation listings type, size, color, form etc.

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## FAIRGROUND DAHLIA BED

*Eric Anderson, Kitsap County Dahlia Society*

Back in early 2006, President's Hall had a rundown dahlia bed to the east of the building. There were only a few dahlia plants remaining on what had formerly been a spectacular garden admired at many previous dahlia shows. I contacted the Fairgrounds administration and asked if I could take over the garden to provide a floral display for the annual Kitsap County Fair.

In May of 2007, I "broke ground" so to speak on hard packed soil that had some clay and a lot of weeds. Because of a late start, I was only able to plant 2/3's of the garden that year, but it was a start. In 2008 I was able to till the entire bed. Two rows of dahlias were planted with a few tubers and plants I started in pots. The front row was a solid row of marigolds. Although the dahlias were not in full bloom, the garden looked very nice for the fair.



In 2009 I was looking for a project to complete as part of becoming an ADS accredited judge. The garden was planted just like the previous year with the exception of marigolds and geraniums in the front row. As the Kitsap County Fair drew closer, I labeled all of the flowers with large numbers for identification, and then posted a list of dahlia names by number and a description of each dahlia variety. Our Kitsap County Dahlia Society sign hung on the fence behind the garden. This satisfied project requirements for my project.

The last three seasons the garden has grown to three rows with mignon singles in the front row, 3 to 4 dahlias in the middle row, and the taller varieties in the back. Dahlia varieties are all tubers from my stock and, depending on the time I get around to planting, may be all tubers or all plants or a mix. T-Tape and a timer were added in 2010. A fertilizer emitter for fertilizing the garden one time each month was added in 2011, which supplemented the clay based soil and promoted really healthy plants and tubers.

Over the last few years, the garden has sometimes helped provide that additional flowers for dahlia baskets and show entrees, as well as provide additional dahlia tubers for our club. Next season I plan to use the dahlia bed for my final projects to meet requirements for becoming an ADS Senior Judge.

The Fair Ground administration has been very pleased with the garden and also the flowers they get to pick for their offices.

## **MEMBERS ONLY**

The user name for access to the "members only" section of [www.dahlia.org](http://www.dahlia.org) is "member" and the password will be "lvglow" as of January 15, 2014. Please continue use "elvira" until that date. For access to the ADS Bulletin archives on our website, the password is "honka"

## AARON W RIDLING

To make a long story short, I had a bad relapse to pharmaceutical drugs, broke into my friends house and swipped a few things and got caught. I got sentenced to 36 months in prison. This is not the first time I have gotten into trouble with the law. I was lucky to get the special sentence, otherwise I was looking at 72 months.

Moving along, I did not go into custody until I was sentenced in March. Since I have mentioned that I have been incarcerated before, I knew what to expect, and by golly, yes they do have flower beds in prison. They don't usually start working the bed until like April or May, so I knew I was not going to see any dahlias yet. (During my previous incarcerations, I have seen dahlias here and there, I saw my first anemone dahlia during my last incarceration in 2000. I thought that it was so cool, when I got out, I tried describing it to my mom (Teresa Bergman); and she was just learning about dahlias and have not been a member of the Portland Dahlia Society for too long). A few months (last week of May), I was transferred to my primary facility.

This facility had some real nice flower beds, and believe me - they were nice. During movement periods (when inmates can go to and from their units to activities/programs), I would look and check each and every flower bed and to my surprise, there were no dahlias. Let's see, I saw all of these plants, Aster, Marigold, Lemon Mint, Sweet Grass, Gay Feather, Rose Campion, Hibiscus, Mallow, Lupine California Poppy, Mexican Hat, Fennel, Iris, Primrose, Daisies, Euphorbia, Pinks, Lavender, Gladiolus, Alyssum, Coreopsis, some odds and ends plants and Yellow Flag Iris (yuck), but not one single dahlia plant! What's so weird is that the prison facility that I am staying at in Monroe, WA is less than 10 miles from several top dahlia farms here in the Northwest (including Accent Dahlias and Clearview Dahlias) and we don't have a single plant? I have tried to get a job as a grounds keeper, but there was a waiting list. I have even tried to talk to the supervisor in charge of the grounds, about getting donated tubers, but that person had some other issues going on. Oh well, I tried. I have even tried to get transferred out of here, but with a lot of crap going on with the Department of Corrections, that didn't happen. My 6 months review was finally done and now I am waiting to get transferred to work camp. This particular camp has a program put on by the Department of Ecology and I am going to try to get signed up for it. They have programs to raise several endangered species (Harris butterfly, spotted frogs), but



I am definitely going to sign up for their Apiary (Beekeeping) program. I know that I will be able to grow dahlias there as they have a garden program and will talk them into integrating dahlias in part of their program. I will let the staff know that I can teach the inmates there on how to grow and maintain dahlias and I can get donated tubers sent in and it won't even cost them any money. I will let the staff know that the inmates can pick the flower and make bouquets for facility employees to purchase, and the funds will go to the inmate betterment funds. (To purchase things that are used by inmates - recreational items, microwaves, televisions, etc.)

For now (thanks to my wonderful mother), I get to see pictures of dahlias that she would send to me and for the subscription to the Bulletin so I can keep up with what is going on out there in the dahlia world. I also need to thank my wonderful mother for keeping up with the websites that I maintain ([www.dahliasupplies.com](http://www.dahliasupplies.com)), as I do not have access to the internet while I am in prison. I know that I am missed by a lot of people from the various groups online, but I am hoping to get online as soon as I get to work release next September (2014). My mom is doing a fine job keeping my online friends posted on what my current status is and any news/updates. This definitely will be the last time I go to prison. My mom misses her jack of trades really bad and somehow, so does her garden. She told me that the dahlias just did not do as well as they normally do. I am also deeply missed by the Portland Dahlia Society. I am their projectionist and I am a huge asset to their tuber sales and auction. People really love the way that they actually see a picture of a flower of a tuber that they are bidding on. I just can not wait until I can get my hands dirty again and to start going to the dahlia meetings again. But most of all, I can not wait until I start going to dahlia shows again.

Since this is in the winter quarter, I would like to wish everybody a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year (oh yeah - I can't forget about Alan Fisher and his family, Happy Hanukkah). I can't wait until I see all of the people again that I have met on the dahlia circuit. Most of all, I can't wait until I see my friends from the Portland Dahlia Society - they are like family to me. If you wish to send me a card and pictures, I can accept them. My address is Aaron Ridling #976400, Twin Rivers Corrections Center, P.O. Box 888, Monroe, WA 98272 If for some reason I get transferred before this is published, my letters will follow. Oh, by the way, I have to admit, I have seen some dahlia plants, but that was before I went into prison. I have put some of my tuber son the bench that I was going to have my mom tend for me. Thanks for taking care of my babies for me Mom!

## **IN MEMORIAM RUBY LUMPKIN**

The Colorado Dahlia Society is deeply saddened by the passing of Ruby Lumpkin at the age of 86. Ruby and her late husband, Everett were among the founding members of the Colorado Dahlia Society in 1963. Ruby was a staunch supporter of all of Everett's dahlia involvements and was especially proud of her contributions to organizing and bringing the 1975 National Show of the American Dahlia Society to Denver.

A wonderful cook, her dishes were greatly appreciated at the pre-meeting potluck luncheons which are a tradition of the Colorado Dahlia Society. Ruby also served as CDS Secretary using a manual typewriter to prepare the meeting minutes.

Ruby was preceded in death by her husband Everett, a daughter, a son, and a grandson. She is survived by a daughter (Karin), 2 granddaughters (Bobby and Buffi) and 4 great-grandchildren.

Ruby will be greatly missed by her family and all of us who knew her as a friend and fellow member of the Colorado Dahlia Society.

## **IN MEMORIAM RAY BRAIN**

Ray Brain passed away on October 14, 2013, following a massive stroke. Ray, a founding member of the North Central Washington Dahlia Society, had served in the office of the Vice-Presidency for many years. He had long been one of the pillars of the club, always glad to pitch in any way he could. For years, he took a lead role in maintaining the NCW Demonstration Garden, establishing and maintaining the irrigation system, experimenting with drip watering systems, as well as light overhead watering/misting. Ray, a retired welder, could make almost anything, and most recently created heavy-duty steel tripod sign-holders, that the club used for tuber sales. He was also known for his "Ray Tags" that he made from strips of white plastic and colored wire, salvaged from old telephone-line materials. These were offered for sale to members and the public alike at all NCW tuber sales. He LOVED growing the biggest giant and large dahlias out there, and only rarely grew any flowers smaller than an A size. Ray loved reading and bookmarking any publication having to do with dahlias, and each quarter, he would read, re-read and paperclip his ADS bulletin when it arrived. Ray was one of those people who define an organization, and his dedication to dahlias and his home club will long be remembered. He was a warm, cheerful and generous man. He and his big smile will be greatly missed by all of us for years to come.

**IN MEMORIAM  
EDWARD J. RANSEL**

Edward J. Ransel, 91, died at home on August 25, 2013. Ed was a 50 year member of The Greater Pittsburg Dahlia Society.

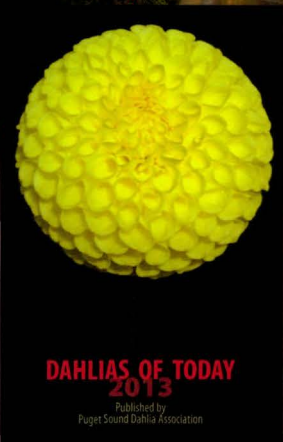
Ed specialized in developing and exhibiting seedlings. One of his seedlings which he introduced was a large red formal decorative dahlia which he named Joegee for Joe Gruebele, his friend and mentor. Other introductions of Ed's are Patriot, BB size red and yellow semicactus, and Imelda Marie, an A size orange formal decorative, named for his wife, Imelda.

A veteran of World War II, Ed served in the U.S. Army in Europe. He was a member of American Legion Post #515. Ed was retired from Teledyne-Vasco after 38 years of service. Ed was a member of St. Vincent Basilica, where he served as an usher for many years. Ed also enjoyed woodworking.

Ed was a faithful dahlia exhibitor and was a mentor to other dahlia growers. We will miss Ed and his warm smile.



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**Class 2 - Dahlia Portraits - AC Ben**  
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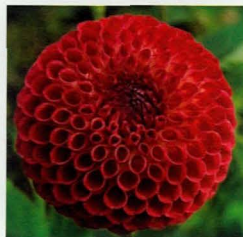
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