NEWSLETTER

Long Island Dahlia Society

DECEMBER 2011

Happy Holidays!

Very warm holiday wishes and a great big thank you to all of our volunteers and members. Your important contribution of your time and energy has been crucial to our garden and to all of our special events. A special note to our new members, please join us, meet new people and participate in the holiday festivities!

We look forward to celebrating with all of you, along with your spouses, significant others, and family members at our Holiday Party.

- Maureen Burford



Above: Entrance to the Upper Level of the Carriage House where our Holiday Party is held; decorated by the Bayard Cutting Arboretum Horticultural Society.

Upcoming Events and Meeting

Membership Meeting

December 15, 2011 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Holiday Party in the Upper Level (no Dahlia 101)

The Holiday Party will be held in the Upper Level of the Carriage House at the Bayard Cutting Arboretum in Great River. Spouses, significant others and family members are all welcome.

Directions on last page.

Upcoming Events

January 19, 2012 Membership Meeting

The full LIDS Calendar will be published in January.

Happy New Year! ~ 2 0 1 2 ~

The Big Dig is done, now comes the fun!

All tubers in the Wolkoff Garden have been dug up. Volunteers are still needed to work inside, as the tubers need to be trimmed, divided and prepared for winter storage.

We will continue to work starting at 9AM each Saturday, with coffee and cake at 11AM. Contact Garden Director Jim Micheels for additional information.

Welcome New Members!

We are happy to share our expertise and passion for dahlias with you.

Welcome aboard!

- Bob DeMott, Bohemia
- Brendan & Maeve Casey, Massapequa

Note that our general meetings are held the third Thursday of each month in the Bayard Cutting Arboretum Carriage House, all are welcome.

Good and Welfare



Our thoughts and well wishes go out to Vincent D'Emilia, we hope he is home quickly from his hospital stay.

We also wish Ted Gollatz a speed recovery after his surgery. We look forward to seeing them both again soon!

LIDS 2011 Annual Holiday Party

The **HOLIDAY PARTY** will be held on Thursday, December 15 from 6-9 PM in the Upper Level of the Carriage House. Please bring a covered dish, main dish or desert enough for six (6) servings.

Spouses, significant others and family members are all welcome.

All condiments will be provided and sternos will be available for hot foods. Questions? Contact Pat Schildt at 631-563-8787 or patrickschildt@optonline.net

OPTIONAL - If you would like to participate, we are having a **HOLIDAY GRAB BAG** during the party. Please bring a wrapped gift (value up to \$25) marked so that it indicates if it is a HIS gift, HERS gift, or a gift suitable for EITHER.



From last month!

Can you name this dahlia?

No one has been able to yet...Stumped?

LIDS and ADS Annual Membership Renewal Time!

- Long Island Dahlia Society dues are due in January 2012, the cost is \$20
- American Dahlia Society Membership dues are also due:

Individual \$24 (includes one (1) classification book and the four (4) quarterlies) $\mathbf{0r}$

Two (2) memberships to a single address \$27 (includes two (2) classification books and the four (4) quarterlies)

Payment

You can pay your dues at our next meeting on December 15 or mail a check to:

LIDS, PO Box 76 West Sayville, NY 11796

LIDS Note Cards Available

These note card sets make a great hostess, grab bag or special holiday gifts.

You can keep the blooms going year round with a dahlia note-card set. The set includes four (4) note-cards/envelopes tied with a festive ribbon.

If you missed the sale of the dahlia note card sets or would like specific types of pictures like winter scenes, butterflies, or red dahlias for your cards you may e-mail Lynn Schiller at lynns77@optonline.net



Above. LIDS Note Card Set

Philadelphia International Flower Show

The Philadelphia Flower Show will be held next March. If you are interested in attending, individuals who would like to attend (not a LIDS sponsored event) can purchase bus tickets through the Bayport Flower House. The trip is on **Tuesday, March 6, 2012** and the cost is \$74.99, which includes round trip bus fare and admission to the show. The bus leaves at 7AM from the Bayport Flower House and returns by 10PM. Many LIDS members have signed up. To reserve your seat today, contact the Bayport Flower House 472-0014.

Dahlia Defined

flowers

dahl·ia
noun /□dalyə/ /□däl-/ □dahlias,
plural
A tuberous-rooted Mexican plant of
the daisy family, cultivated for its
brightly colored single or double





Bayard Cutting Arboretum

Located at: 440 Montauk Highway Great River, NY 11739

Set GPS to these either address: Great River Rd & NY-27A (Montauk Hwy), or NY-27A & Union Blvd, East Islip NY 11730

http://www.bayardcuttingarboretum.com/

Helpful Links

Long Island Dahlia Society http://www.longislanddahlia.com/

American Dahlia Society http://www.dahlia.org/

Mid-Island Dahlia Society http://www.midislanddahlia.com/

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