

September 2012

# Long Island Dahlia Society

## Upcoming Events and Meeting

### Membership Meeting

**Thursday, September 20, 2012**

**Dahlia 101: 7:00 PM - 7:30PM**

“Preparing Your Dahlias for the Show Table”

**Meeting: 7:30 PM – 9:00 PM**

This evening’s program will include a film on “Hybridizing Dahlias” presented by Joe Lysik

This meeting will be held in the Upper Level of the Carriage House at the Bayard Cutting Arboretum in Great River. Directions on last page.

### LIDS 2<sup>ND</sup> Dahlia Show and Photo Exhibition

The second show of the year will be held on Saturday and Sunday, October 13 and 14.

### Bayard Cutting Arboretum Fall Festival

October 6, 7, and 8, see additional details in the newsletter.



### President’s Message

Thank you to all LIDS volunteers who worked so hard on our flower show that was held at the beginning of September. It took quite a team effort to put on this event. Our volunteers worked on arrangements, helped with the judging duties, served lunch and refreshments, donated flowers, and helped with the setup and breakdown of the show, which was completed early! It takes all a big team, and I appreciate your efforts.

A very special thanks to all the growers who came from many points on the east coast to display their beautiful dahlias. The October newsletter will have a full listing of the winners. The blooms from the north were outstanding!

Our next show is in October, and the long, cool fall deepens the colors of the dahlias and I encourage all LIDS members to enter your blooms. Our education segment this Thursday taught by Joe Lysik is titled “Preparing Your Dahlias for the Show Table”. This is a great opportunity for new growers to learn and be prepared for the next show! First time entrants? The novice table is for you, enter and win!

*Joe Laundrie, President*



Court of Honor –LIDS Show, held Sept 1-2, 2012

## Welcome New Member!

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

Welcome aboard!

Michael McDyer of Brightwaters, NY

## Good and Welfare

Lynn Schiller is recuperating at home and we miss seeing her in the Garden on Saturday mornings. We all wish Lynn a very speedy recovery.

We extend our heartfelt condolences to Kelly Abercrombie on the loss of her father. William Abercrombie was a tugboat captain who had retired to Florida.

## 2012 Bayard Cutting Arboretum Fall Festival October 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>

This is a family event with lots of fun things for kids... hayrides, model trains, face and pumpkin painting, with all the enchanting scarecrows including Dorothy and the characters from the Wizard of OZ, plus the farm and the chickens. There will also be food, music, crafts, landscaping exhibits and, of course, the stars of the fall garden, our dahlias. Come on out and support your Arboretum where an early fall walk is a treat not to be missed.

**Of course, no event can be a success without our LIDS Volunteers!**

Participation in this Arboretum event by LIDS volunteers is expected and your cooperation will be very much appreciated. Those of us who worked last year enjoyed spectacular weather in the field behind the barn with music, clouds of monarch butterflies and lots of good company. This time our tent will be located at our Dahlia Garden.

Volunteers will be needed to conduct informal tours of our Garden, help our presenters, talk to festival patrons at our Home Garden Information Booth and hang out in the Dahlia Garden taking pictures.

**Parking, coffee, lunch and cold drinks for volunteers will be available at the service area and there will be golf carts.**

So ... why not sign up for a pleasant morning (10:00 to 1:00) or afternoon (1:00 to 4:00) spot? Please call or e-mail me at [maburf@yahoo.com](mailto:maburf@yahoo.com)

*Maureen Burford, Vice President*



2011 Bayard Cutting Arboretum Fall Festival – Photo by Bill Wolkoff

## Photographers Wanted!

Mark Your Calendars - The annual Long Island Dahlia Society Photography Display and Competition is just around the corner! Dahlias are blooming and ready for photographers—amateurs as well as professionals—to set their sights on getting just the right image.

This is one of our most popular events and gives the public a chance to see the many different interpretations of “Dahlias Through the Camera’s Lens”. Registration will be October 11 and 12, the judging will occur on October 13.

You don’t have to be a member of the Long Island Dahlia Society or a professional photographer to submit your entries, just one who appreciates the beauty of the dahlia.

The full Dahlia Show entry form and rules will be available for download from [www.longislanddahlia.com](http://www.longislanddahlia.com) . You can also pick up a brochure at the Wolkoff Garden at Bayard Cutting Arboretum.

*- Dee Cunningham, Recording Secretary / Photo Show Coordinator*

### 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

[www.bayardcuttingarboretum.com](http://www.bayardcuttingarboretum.com)

### Helpful Links

Long Island Dahlia Society  
[www.longislanddahlia.com/](http://www.longislanddahlia.com/)

American Dahlia Society  
[www.dahlia.org/](http://www.dahlia.org/)

Mid-Island Dahlia Society  
[www.midislanddahlia.com/](http://www.midislanddahlia.com/)

Greenwich Dahlia Society  
[www.gecgreenwich.org/dahlia-society.html](http://www.gecgreenwich.org/dahlia-society.html)

Rhode Island Dahlia Society  
[www.rhodeislanddahliasociety.org/](http://www.rhodeislanddahliasociety.org/)

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