

# **The Connecticut Dahlia Society**

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## **July 2017 Newsletter**

**Meeting Date:** Sunday, July 16, 2017  
**Program:** 2:00 pm Business Meeting & Show Planning  
**Place:** Thomaston Bank  
985 Watertown Avenue, Waterbury

### **President's Message:**

This year appears to be turning out to be an exceptionally good year for us dahlia growers. This is due to the good amounts of rain that we have experienced so far. The years of both 2015 and 2016 were drought years for us here in Connecticut and 2014 was the last great year for dahlias at our early show, so I believe that this year may turn out to be one like the 2014 one.

At our August 13<sup>th</sup> meeting I am planning to have a Judge's Refresher for all of our judges and any other interested members before the meeting. I am planning that as I expect to have early blooms for this program and we will also review the new "ADS Guidelines For Team Leaders" that will be given out to our judges at this July Meeting.

News from our June Meeting is that the membership voted to increase the prize money this year for all Tricolor 3-bloom entries and all Tricolor Baskets. Instead of the usual \$15.00 that we have awarded to these entries in the past, now \$25.00 will be awarded to these. This is an effort to get exhibitors to hopefully bring more entries into our early show.

We look forward to seeing some of you at this meeting.

**Marge Schnerr**

### **Meeting Dates for 2017:**

Aug 13 Thomaston Bank  
**Aug. 26 CDS Dahlia Society 59<sup>th</sup> Annual Show, Pond House, Hartford**  
Sept No Meeting, Show Month  
Oct 8 Thomaston Bank  
Nov 12 Thomaston Bank  
Dec Christmas Party, date & place to Decided

### **2017 NADC Show Schedules:**

Aug. 19 North Jersey Dahlia Society  
Aug. 19 & 20 Washington County Fair, hosted by the RIDS  
**Aug. 26 CT Dahlia Society 59<sup>th</sup> Annual Show**  
Sep 2 & 3 Long Island Dahlia Society  
Sep 9 & 10 Rhode Island Dahlia Society  
Sep 16 & 17 Mid Island Dahlia Society  
Sept 23 & 24 Combined New England Dahlia Society, Provincetown Dahlia Society and 47<sup>th</sup> North Atlantic Dahlia Conference Show, Tower Hill Botanic Garden, Boylston, MA  
Sept. 30 No Shows scheduled  
Oct. 7 & 8 Greenwich Dahlia Society  
Oct. 14 & 15 Long Island Dahlia Society, 2<sup>nd</sup>. Show

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