

The Connecticut Dahlia Society

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April 2020 Newsletter

Meeting Date: Sunday, May 3, 2020 ROOT PICKUP ONLY

Time: 12:00 Noon

**Place: Thomaston Savings Bank,
985 Watertown Avenue, Waterbury**

President's Message:

Hi Members,

I hope this message finds you all healthy and well during these trying times. It is certainly a great stress relief to be able to get out and work in the garden! Dahlia root orders have been arriving from the commercial growers but it's still too early to plant them outside, the soil is still too cold and wet. Planting is best done in May around the same time that it's safe to plant tomato plants. We are still trying to hold monthly meetings but because of the Covid-19 restrictions, we haven't been able to. We are available by either e-mail or phone to answer any questions or concerns you have regarding your dahlia garden; that contact information can be found on your membership list. Stay safe and well, Kevin

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CDS Challenge Flower

Our challenge flower for 2020 will be Chilson's Pride introduced in 1954 by Carl Chilson. It is a small (**BB**), Informal Decorative (**ID**) light blend (**LB**) of white and pink.

In 2002 a white sport of it was introduced and is known as Carl Chilson.



Chilson's Pride BB, ID, LB, Wht./Pk. 1954

is a lovely old-timer and will be available at our root sale.

CDS Meeting Dates:

May 17	Regular Meeting 10:00 Wtby
June 14	Regular Meeting 10:00 TBD
July 12	Regular Meeting or Picnic
August 9	Regular Meeting 10:00 TBD
August 29	CDS Show, Elizabeth Park
September	No Meeting- Show time
October 11	Regular Meeting 10:00 Wtby
Nov. 8	Regular Meeting 10:00 Wtby
Dec. 6	Holiday Party, San Marino

If you would like to purchase roots, please fill out the form below.

Member Name _____

Phone _____

2020 CDS Tuber order

Variety Name	How many?
Black Satin	
Bride to Be	
Center Court	
Chick A Dee	
Chilson's Pride	
Cornel	
Crossfield Ebony	
Duet	
Giggles	
Honka	
Inflammation	
Ivanetti	
Kasasagi	
Kelsey Dwarf	
Mardy Gras	
Nettie	
Rebecca Lynn	
Summer's End	
Tutti Frutti	
White Nettie	
Total Cost	

Contact me if you would like pictures of the roots. Otherwise you can find photos at www.dahlias.com

Copy and paste the order above (or take a photo) and send it to me.

Orders will be accepted on a first come first served basis.

I will confirm receipt of your order by return email.

With Elizabeth Park closed, pickup on **May 3**, at 12 noon, will be behind the Thomaston Savings Bank (985 Watertown Avenue) in Waterbury. This is our regular meeting place. Please form a

line at the back of the parking lot, and remain in your car.

Orders will be pre-packaged and handed to you as you drive up to the pickup area..

Cost is **\$6.00** per root.

Payment should be by check only, payable to **CDS** for the exact amount of your purchase.

Please have your check ready and remember to wear a mask or other face covering.

Thank you.

Marilyn Lonergan, Editor
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2020 Show Dates:

- Aug 11 STDS, Early Show, Bath, NY
- Aug 15 Washington County Fair hosted by the RIDS
- Aug 22 NJ Dahlia Society
Neckerman Challenge:
Alpen Diamond
- Aug 29 CT Dahlia Society
Challenge: Chilson's Pride
- Sept 5 & 6 Long Island Dahlia Society
Challenge bloom: **Spartacus**
- Sept. 12 STDS Challenge: Clearview
Edie
- Sept.12&13 Rhode Island Dahlia Society
Challenge bloom: **Weston Spanish Dancer**
- Sept.19&20 Mid Island Dahlia Society
- Sept. 19 Rochester Dahlia Society
- Sept.26&27 Greenwich DS
- Sept.26&27 New England DS
Challenge: **Snoho Doris**
- Oct. 3 & 4 LIDS 2nd Show