

# **The Connecticut Dahlia Society**

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## **June 2021 Newsletter**

**Meeting Date: Sunday, June 13, 2021**

**Time: 10:00 AM**

**Place: Thomaston Savings Bank, (Parking Lot)  
985 Watertown Avenue, Waterbury**

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

Greetings Members!

The start of the growing season has been quite challenging this year! Temperatures have gone from one extreme to another and rainfall has been largely scarce. Planting dahlia roots continues through this month. Don't forget to start some backup roots in pots to replace ones that fail to grow. Also remember to label your plants for proper identification! If you have any extra roots available, please bring them to the meeting on Sunday and we'll have a root swap among those who attend. This will be for members of the society only who have paid their 2021 dues. This is a root swap not a sale, so if you want to participate don't come empty handed. Please plan to attend to catch up with one another and help plan for a great show this year!

Sincerely,  
Kevin Wasilewski  
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### **CDS Meeting Dates:**

July 11 Regular Meeting or Picnic  
August 8 Regular Meeting 10:00 TBD  
**August 28 CDS Show, Elizabeth Park**  
September No Meeting- Show time

### **Elizabeth Park Display Garden**

The Society is once again maintaining the Dahlia Display garden at Elizabeth Park. The garden planting was completed on May 26th. Prior to that, Sal and Jesse weeded, tilled and set our rebar stakes into the garden. Thanks to Dan and Tony Delfino for helping us secure the new rebar stakes. We plan to have a good variety of fully double plants for display.

This year we will be especially in need of additional volunteers to tend to the garden during the growing season. Regular tasks include watering, weeding, tying and deadheading when the plants come into bloom. We like to have someone there each day so if you are able to volunteer please contact Jesse at [jessej@comcast.net](mailto:jessej@comcast.net). You can volunteer for one day a week or less if that frequency is too much.

The society receives many accolades from the public on the Display Garden and it has become one of the most popular areas of the park.

### **2021 Show Dates:**

Aug 28 CT Dahlia Society  
Sept 4 & 5 Long Island Dahlia Society  
Sept.11&12 Rhode Island Dahlia Society  
Sept.18&19 Mid Island Dahlia Society  
Sept.25&26 Greenwich DS  
Sept.25&26 New England DS

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