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2008 Dahlia of the Year

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NEXT MEETING: MAY 8, 2008 7:30 P.M. MANITO MEETING ROOM

HOSTS: Greg & Anita Smith WHITE ELEPHANT: Edie Esther

We have a lot to discuss at the meeting so no program

We still have some April Dawn tubers. They will be at the sales. \$4 each

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Hello to everyone. It is finally May and some of us still have snow?? What a strange winter it has been indeed. However, on a better note, most of us are starting or have been starting our dahlias and from what I have heard are doing rather well. Now all we need is some nice weather. Last month we had our tuber auction and did really well, \$607 well to be exact. However, we didn't get a meeting in because we were having way too much fun with the auction. This meeting we will have to cover a lot of ground. First, we need people for the Garden Expo to help out. Be thinking if you can and either call myself or Joni. Our numbers are at the end of the dahliafax. Times of the Expo I'm not totally sure, but I'm sure it's no later than 9 a.m. till 4 p.m. roughly.

Next meeting item to be thinking about is Flower of the Year for next year. And we have to do this at this meeting because we are having the PNDC (Pacific Northwest Dahlia Conference) show here in Spokane at the fairgrounds. So bring your ideas for Flower of the Year to this meeting. We will be voting on it this meeting!! Lots of other things on my list from last month also to go over.

I'd like to say HI! And welcome to all new members, if this is your first dahliafax, and hopefully you can make it to this month's meeting. Most meetings take 1 hr to 1 1/2 hrs depending on what we have to discuss and get through. But, we always have refreshments and snacks of some sort at each meeting, so please make a meeting if you're able. Thanks.

By the time this dahliafax goes out, I will have turned in the rough draft of this year's fair guide to Jessie. Anyone wanting to make a cash donation to this year's show, and if you have a certain area you want to sponsor, let me know ASAP. If you're not sure what I'm talking about (and that happens a lot), call me right away and we'll talk. This is important so it can get in the fair guide before print. I'll talk more about this at the meeting and especially for next year's show. This year the club will be putting in \$300 extra dollars for prize money. Be looking at the fair guide when it comes out (July 1) or call me and I'll let everyone know what's what. More of that at the meeting also.

Don't forget this year we have the Gladiolus Society in with our show. If you grow glads be thinking of bringing some to this years show. It should make for even more color, which is a good thing. Be thinking about helping with the booth at this year's show. More at the meeting about this also.

Thanks again to all those that brought tubers to our own auction and for the tuber sales. Without these sales and all the help from society members, we wouldn't be able to do the things that keep this society strong. Once again, welcome new members!! And see you at the meeting!!

Greg Smith, President Inland Empire Dahlia Society

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the sales. There will be signup sheet at the meeting.

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Minutes of April 10th meeting: Greg Smith opened the meeting and introductions were made. 25 members were present.

The auction was held first beginning at 7:45. It lasted until 9:45. Roy Barton and Lowell Dubbels brought glads to auc-
tion as well. Due to the length of the auction, no meeting was held.

Joni Beasley, Secretary