

# The dahliafax

*Inland Empire Dahlia Society, Inc.*  
*Official American Dahlia Society Trial Garden*  
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**Spokane**



Embrace BB SC Yellow  
2009 Dahlia of the Year

Claudia Biggs, Editor

*newsletter*

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**NEXT MEETING: NOVEMBER 12, 2009 7:30 P.M. MANITO MEETING ROOM**  
**HOSTS: Beasleys & Carol Konitzer**  
**WHITE ELEPHANT: Beasleys & Carol Konitzer**  
**PROGRAM; PHOTO CONTEST Elections!**

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello everyone and Happy Halloween!! I hope that everyone has their dahlias put away for the winter because winter doesn't seem to be waiting again this year either. Hopefully this weekend I will have started on mine, but who knows. It was great to see such a big turnout for our October meeting. It was one of the biggest that I have seen since I have been a member and welcome to all of you new members. I truly hope this is the start of something that will keep you in the growing of dahlias for many years to come. This November meeting will be our last meeting of the year. We will not have another one until February.

We will have our annual Christmas Party on the 5th of December. That is always a great time and great prizes to be had by all. At the November meeting, we will have the election of new society officers. Also we will start up the raffle again, and the photo contest will also be done at this meeting, plus a few other things.

Next year we will do a little more hands on things at the meetings, and those things will be discussed at this November meeting as well.

Thanks again for the great turnout last month. That tells me that we're doing our job to get out there as much information as possible for the public to see and to come and attend a meeting if a person so chooses. Member or not, you're welcome to come to any meeting when we have one.

Hope everyone has a happy and safe Halloween and see you in November on the 12th.

Greg Smith  
President, IEDS

## DAHLIA OF THE YEAR FOR 2010

We will be selecting a dahlia for Dahlia of the Year for 2010. Come with ideas.

## MINUTES OF MEETING—OCTOBER 8, 2009

The meeting was called to order by President Greg Smith. 47 members were present. It was announced that October 17th would be the Saturday to dig the VA garden. Bob Beasley reported he would be digging the named varieties at the trial garden and the tubers to be sent back to the growers that requested them around that time.

Dawn Anselmo, Awards Chair, passed out the rest of the awards not handed out at the banquet.

Joni Beasley, Cheer Chair, reported that a number of cards have been sent to various members in the last couple of months.

The Beasley's reported the Trial Garden paperwork is done and has been submitted and they are awaiting the tally from ADS Chair, Ron Miner, as to the complete set of winners from the combines scores of the rest of the Trial Gardens.

Pat Bentley, the Holiday Party Chair, reported the party would be held Dec. 5th at Chic A Ria as in past years. The usual ornament exchange will be held. Menu choices to be announced in November.

A Treasurer's report was given.

November is the Photo Contest and all are encouraged to bring their photos from the past year.

Elections are to be held next month and Pat Bentley, Trustee, announced the proposed slate for 2010:

President: Greg Smith  
Vice President: Bob Beasley  
Secretary: Chris Carlsen  
Treasurer: Joni Beasley  
3 Year Trustee: Don Howell

Meeting was adjourned. The Programs on digging, cutting and a dividing demo was done by Bob Beasley and Gary Plowman.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joni Beasley, Secretary

### 2009 PHOTO CONTEST

Our NOVEMBER program will be the photo contest. There are two sections: NOVICE & ADVANCED. So here is your chance to look thru your photos taken this summer and get them ready.

**Five** categories: Single Bloom, Multiple Blooms, Closeup of Bloom, Your Garden, Dahlia Shows Limit of **one** photo per category.

Must be a current member of IEDS. Image should be size 4x6" with name of photographer, section and category of print, printed on the back of the print. An arrow on the back of the print should indicate the top of the print.

Prints will be grouped on a table by category and should not be turned over to reveal the photographer. IEDS members will view the photographs as they are on the tables without identifying the maker.

After everyone has had a chance to view the pictures, voting will be carried out. These will be tallied and First place will be determined and the name of the winners announced. Special prizes will be given to winners.

**Bring your prints 15 minutes before meeting.**

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### 2010 DUES

Dues are due by December 31st. You can pay your dues at the meeting or mail them to Claudia Biggs, 3332 W. Elmhurst Ave. Spokane, Wa. 99205.

If you paid at fair time or after, you are already a 2010 member.

IEDS Dues: \$7 Single \$10 Family  
ADS: \$20 Single \$23 Family  
PNDC: (All judges) \$10 Single \$15 Family

Make check out to IEDS

### THANK YOU FROM CLAUDIA!!!

To those who dug the VA...Tom Crisp, Don Howell, Brian Desautel, Steve Storebo, Tim Kohlhauff, Greg Smith, Norm Anselmo, Bob Beasley, Dan Eagle, Florian Erhart and Rocky Stone (Boy Scouts leader), and Dawn Anselmo who did a lot of wrapping.

To those who dug Claudia's dahlias: Tom, Tim, Brian and Don. What would I do without my dahlia friends! Thanks so much. I know a lot of work went into both gardens and your work is so much appreciated.

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