

DAHLIA SOCIETY OF GEORGIA
ATLANTA, GEORGIA
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DAHLIAS YOU MAY SEE IN THE TUBER SALE..Below and on page 3 are a few samples of some of the dahlias that will be for sale this coming Saturday.



CLEARVIEW JONAS
A-SC-LB

CLEARVIEW SUN-
DANCE A-C-Y

CLEARVIEW DANIEL
BA-Y



AC INRA AA-FD-BI RD/
WH



AC SADIE BB-C-FL YL/RD



AC BEN AA-SC-LB OR/YL

MAY MEETING...The only tuber sale this Spring will be held on Saturday, May the 4th at 11:00 AM, in Day Hall at the Atlanta Botanical Garden. Day Hall is located on the first floor of the main administration building in the garden. After walking up the hill past the restaurant take the first set of steps on your right to enter Day Hall.

Please bring your tubers for the sale. Each tuber must be currently or in past years listed in the American Dahlia Society Classification and Handbook of Dahlias. Each tuber must have a visible growing eye and must have the name of the plant on the tuber or attached to the tuber. If the eye has been knocked off please circle the point where the eye was with a magic marker.

When you arrive for the sale please place your tubers on the table in the proper locations indicated: AA, A, B, BB etc. Please arrive early for the sale if you are bringing tubers.

REGISTER YOUR GARDEN...Thanks to Kathleen Hadfield for the following article.

Million Pollinator Garden Challenge

Join the Million Pollinator Garden Challenge –

Register your garden and BEE counted!

Your garden may be as small as potted plants on a patio or balcony, the corner of a suburban yard, a community garden plot, or cover several acres, but it must include plants that provide nectar or pollen or serve as host plants for butterfly caterpillars.

You may register new gardens that you have created or existing gardens that you maintain on your land, public lands such as a park or historic site, or habitat that you have helped to preserve or care for such as a natural area or wildlife sanctuary.

What is the Million Pollinator Garden Challenge?

Sponsored by the National Pollinator Garden Network, the mission of the Challenge is to mobilize America's extensive gardening community and to support them in making more native and non-invasive pollen- and nectar-producing plants available in gardens. The Challenge also increases the public's understanding of the critical role that such actions can play in reversing the decline of pollinator populations.

What is the issue with pollinators?

Pollinator species such as bees, butterflies, moths, a variety of insects, as well as some species of birds and bats, have suffered a serious decline in numbers in recent years. The causes are varied but include loss of habitat, the use of pesticides, pathogens and more.

While the decline of any species and the subsequent impact on our ecosystems is always a concern, it should be noted that pollinators are responsible for one-third of our food supply and that makes their decline an issue of national importance.

Visit the following website to register your garden. <https://www.pollinator.org/mpgcmmap/register#form>

PLANTING YOUR GARDEN...It is time to plant your dahlia garden so instead of reinventing the wheel I am going to recommend that all members review an article written by our former member and dahlia aficionado, Brian Killingsworth. http://www.dahliasocietyofgeorgia.com/downloads/Newsletter2011_05-06.pdf



SNOHO DORIS

BA-DB RD/BR



BARON AUNT DOROTHY



CREEKSIDE MICHAEL

CO-R



BB-FD-LB

Formby Art



Parkland Rave

BB-IC-L



B-SC-OR

Woodland's Wildthing