

The Connecticut Dahlia Society

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July 2025 Newsletter

Date: July 19, 2025
Time: 10:00 AM
Place: Prospect Library Community Room
17 Center Street, Prospect, CT

President's Message:

Greetings Members,

I hope everyone had a Happy and safe 4th of July weekend! Mine was spent in the Dahlia garden weeding, tying, and topping the plants. Last week's heat wave was a little stressful on some of the plants and I'm keeping an eye out for leaf hoppers. I just spotted the first Japanese beetles yesterday as well but they were on different plants in the garden. Never ending pest watch! Watering helps reduce stress on the Dahlias by the way, and July tends to be on the hot and dry side. Watering in the morning is always best and giving each plant a good soaking around the root zone helps to keep the plants hydrated. I replaced one root that never sprouted with a replacement plant and I'm keeping an eye on a couple of weak plants that aren't really as vigorous as the rest. I'll give them a boost of liquid fertilizer and see if they respond to that, if not they'll be replaced as well.

Our July meeting will be our show update and organizing job assignments for that day. We need plenty of hands to help the show be a success and you get to learn a lot of great Dahlia advice from growers on how they produce winning flowers!! It great to see all the staging and setting up the show blooms as well.

If you still have roots or plants to share, please bring them to the meeting for those that still might need them.

See you at the meeting!

Sincerely, Kevin
Kevin
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Meeting Dates For 2025

August 16
October 18
November 15

All at 10:00 am at the Prospect Library
Our show date is August 23rd.
Our show flower is any Waterlily



Hollyhill Pink Parfait

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