

Greater Columbus  
Flora Society





**Some of our members have offered to share their 2025 growing experiences in pictures. In alphabetical order, here are the results of their efforts.**

**Jeanette Enyart,  
Saint Paris**



**Clyde's Choice**

Alpen Fury





**Nicholas**



**Peaches and Cream**



**Vancouver**

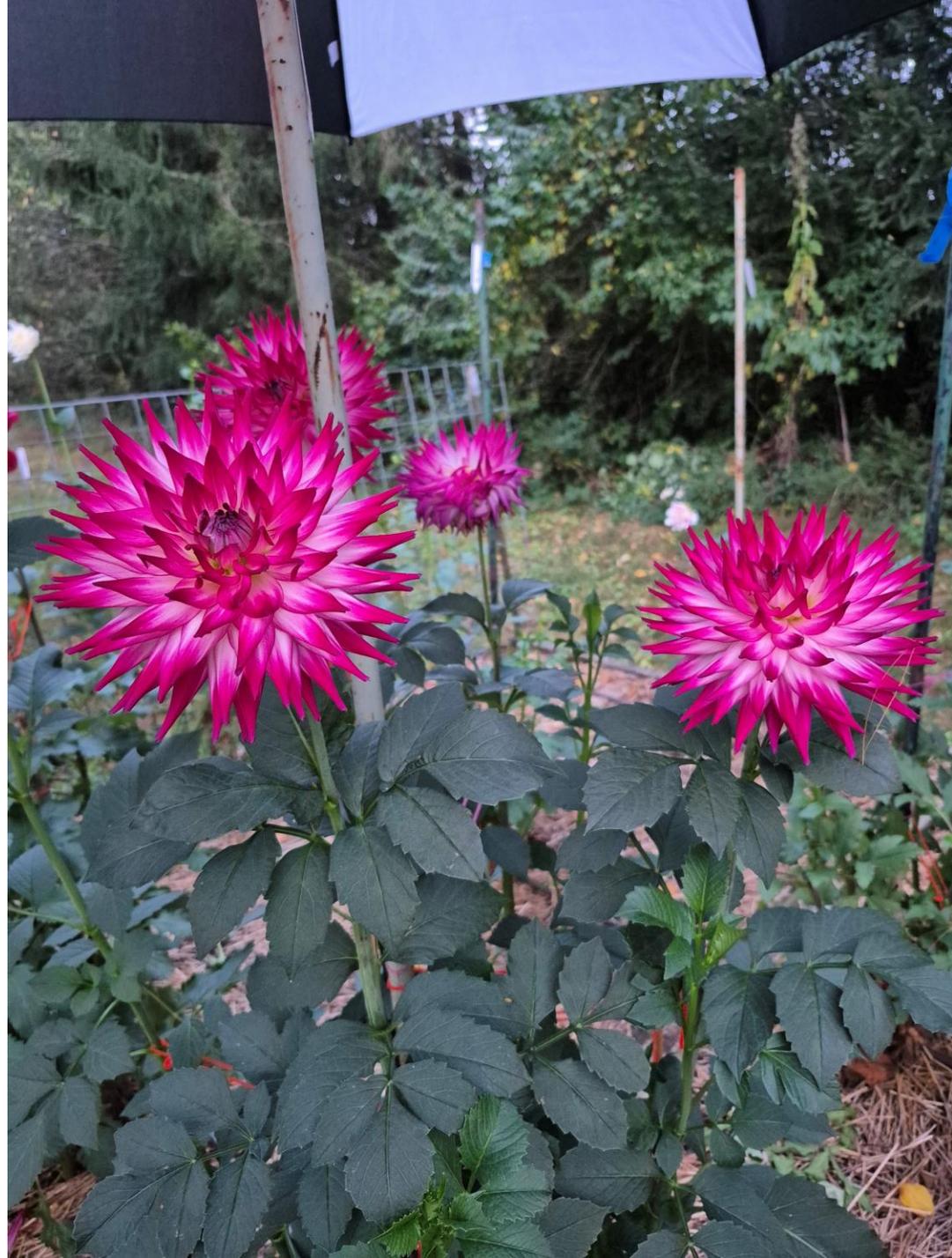
**Jason Fairchild,  
East Liberty**













**Clearview Edie,  
Best of Show in National Show**



## Mark Freudenberg, Dublin

Growing dahlias in 2025 is like hosting a garden party where every flower shows up in their most fabulous outfits! Picture this: dainty yellow blooms twirling around, while tall, light-mauve dahlias stretch so high, they might be trying to touch the clouds. There's the bright orange beauty, practically glowing, and a candy cane dahlia that's sweeter looking than dessert. Sunflower-like ones add sunny cheer, while the pink octopus dahlia seems to be wrapping arms around you! Fiery reds make you feel the heat, and the yellow-orange gem! It's basically the jewel of your garden. These dahlias don't just blossom, they perform!





Dainty Yellow Dahlia



Tall Light Dahlia



Red Dahlia Opening



Orange Beauty



Sunflower Dahlia



Candy Cane Dahlia



Pink Octopus Dahlia



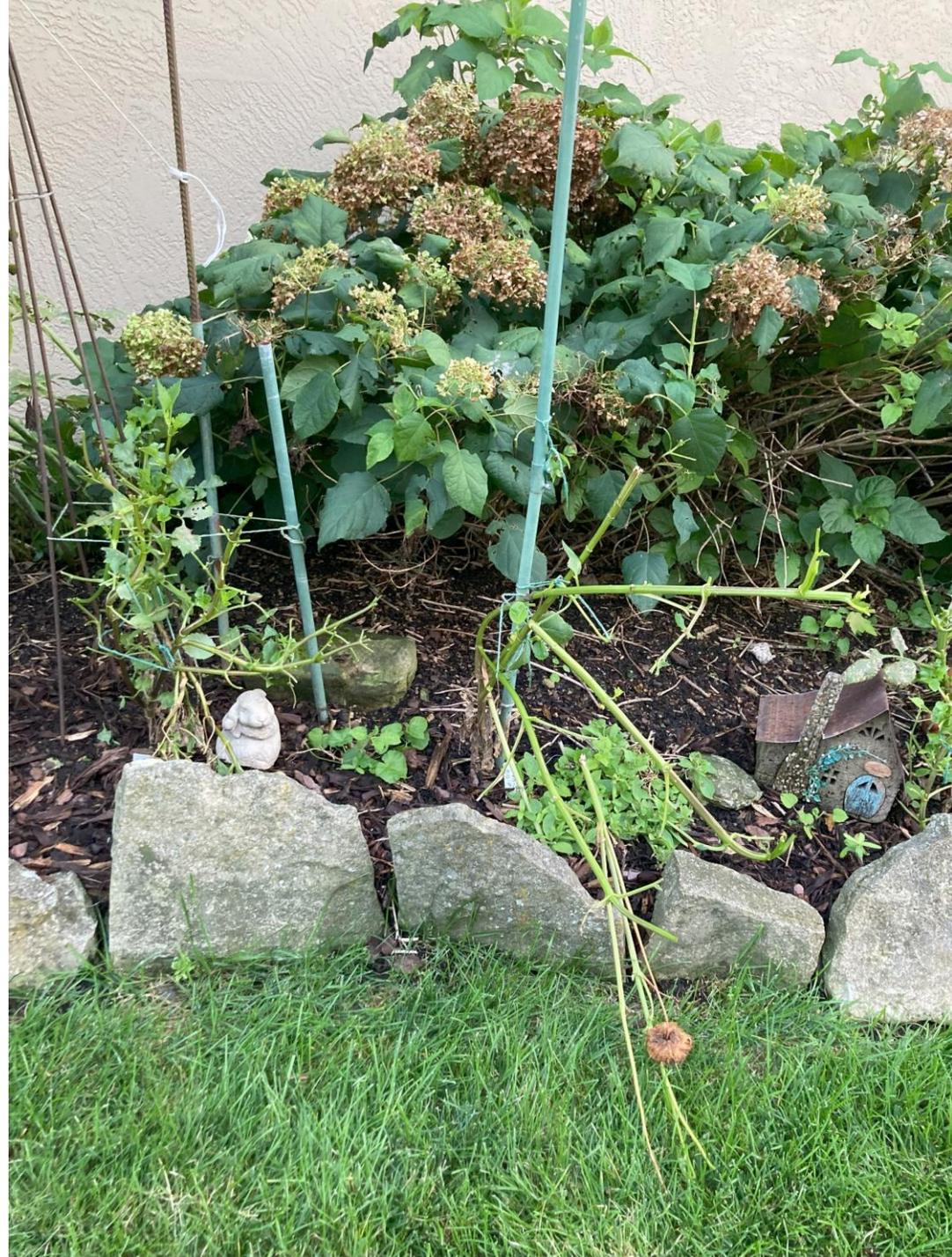
Fiery Dahlia



Yellow Orange Gem

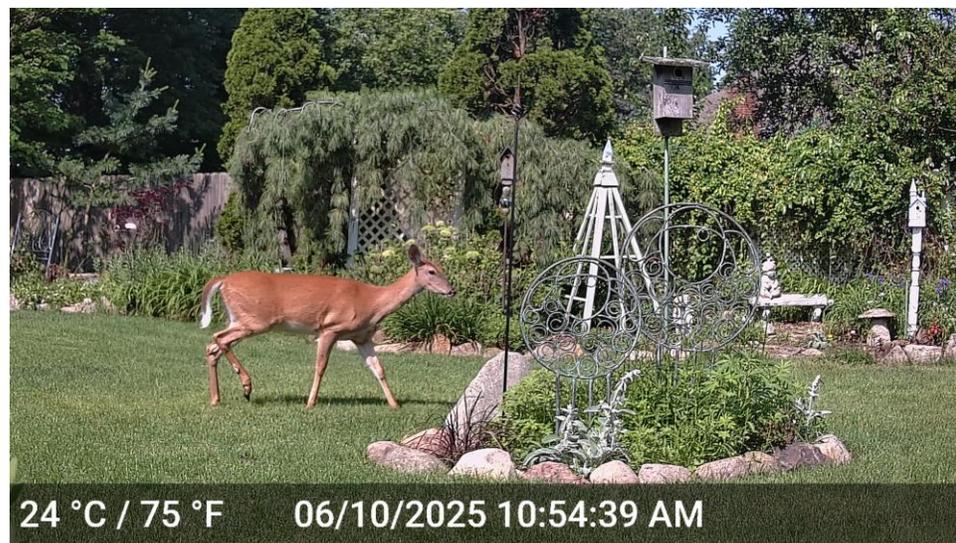
## Jeff & Linda Laine, Westerville

We had an especially challenging growing season due to the critters who enjoyed the tasty dahlia leaves. In particular, it seems that there were several groundhogs that roamed the neighborhood and had a great time pulling leaves off our dahlia plants and breaking the stems in the process.





All these critters enjoyed our gardens!



We tried  
chicken  
wire  
fencing ...



We tried  
chemicals ...



We tried natural  
deterrents ...



But we still lost about 85% of our  
170 plants!



We did have some  
of our dahlias  
survive ...

Marcella Louise



L.A.T.E.



Kelsey Betelgeuse



I'm A Hottie



**Colwood Scheri**



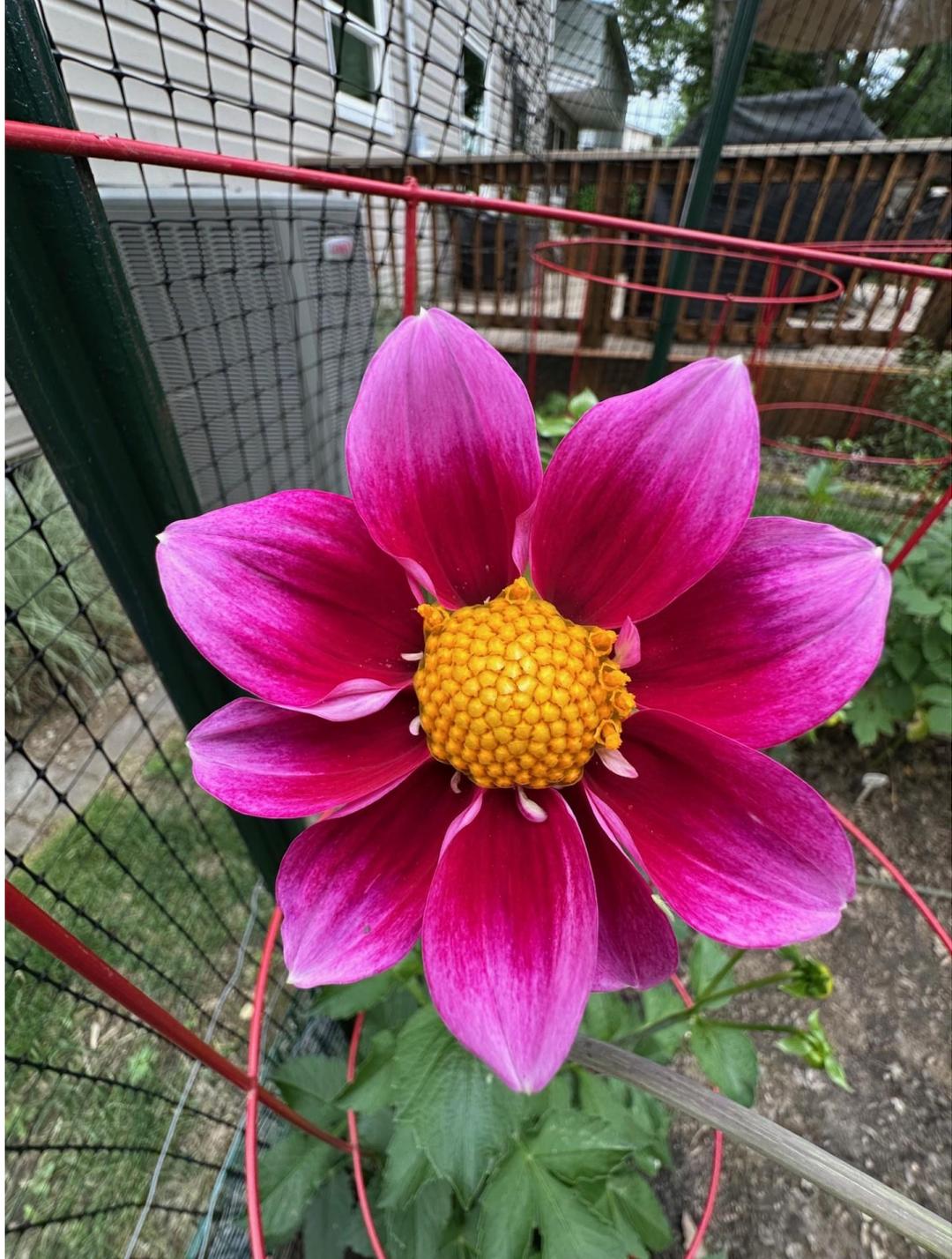




## Jill Parak, Worthington

I've been growing dahlias for nearly 20 years. I really enjoyed my 2025 tubers from 2024 floret shooting star seed this year. They bloomed early and were so beautiful and dainty (most were collarettes). I harvested one of my biggest blooms, Neon Dream, on Oct 23 🤩! Ryan C continues to be a stunning bloomer.

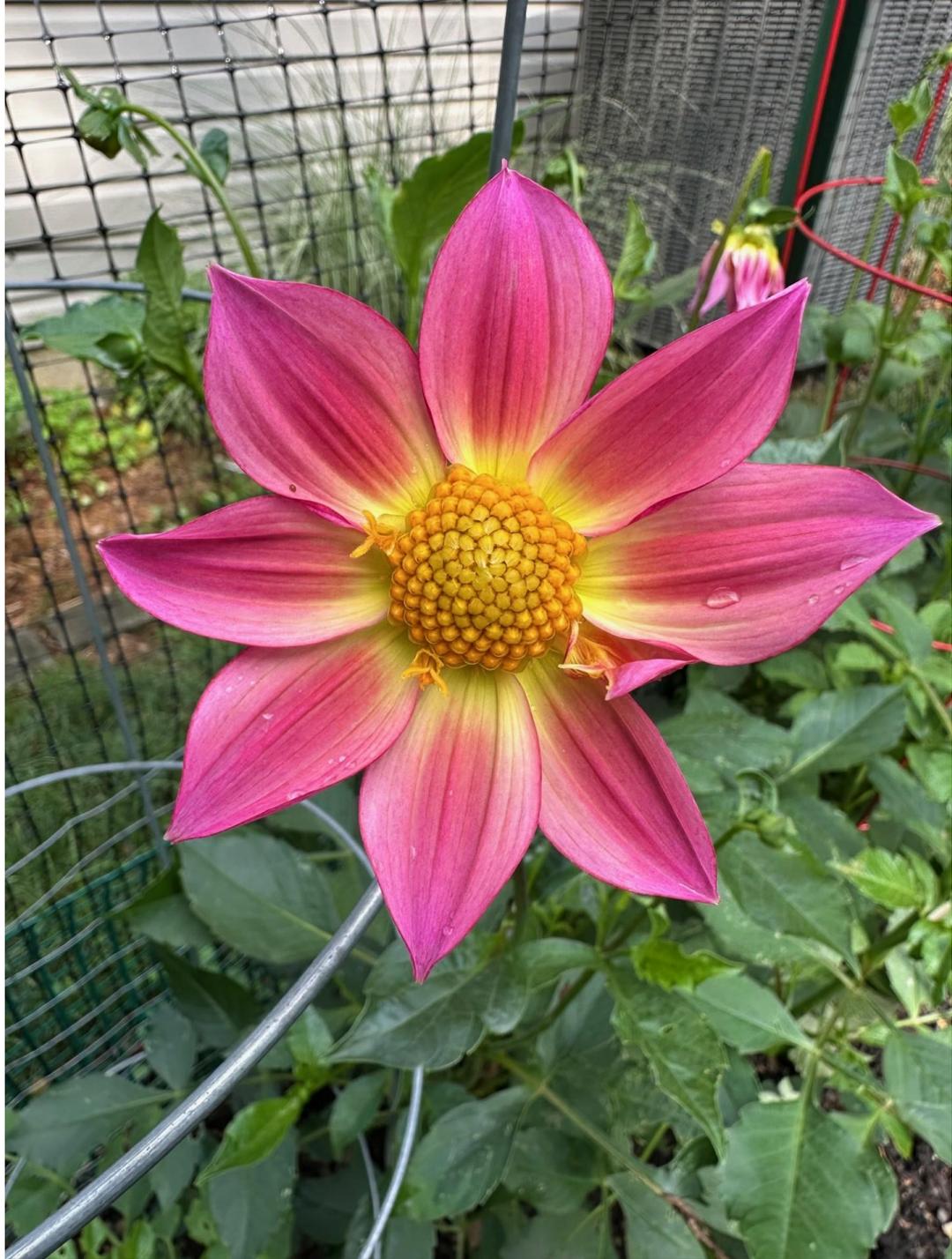
















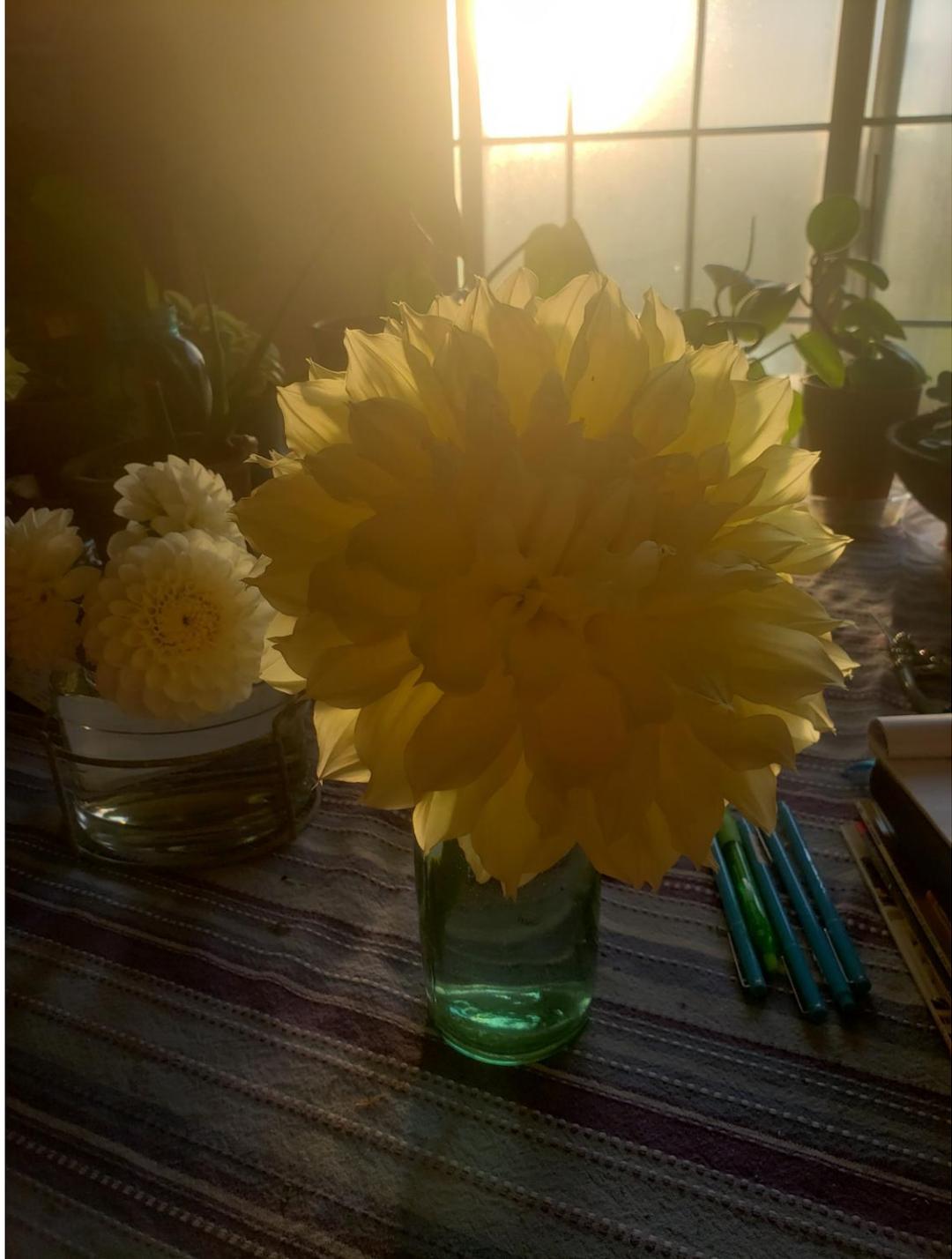




## **Julie Perdue, Mechanicsburg**

I feel like these are the best photos of my beginner growing--the Kelvin Floodlights. I ordered new tubers for these because they were the scrawniest things I'd dug up. I am looking forward to going to the tuber sale and finding some new things to add...





**Jay Scott,  
Powell**



Rocco



Ka's Khaleesi

**Chrissy Yoder,  
West Liberty**



