

San Leandro

DAHLIA TIMES

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Next Meeting: Oct. 20, 7:00 PM
Karp Room, San Leandro Library

Dahlia folks,

It is hard to believe that the end of the dahlia season is upon us. We have told new comers that you don't have to dig dahlias up every year as we don't have bad frosts or freezes here. Well, you might want to dig a favorite, separate the tubers and plant more of the one you love the best. At our meeting you will be shown how do this. As time allows we may talk about some of the mediums that society members use to store their tubers and how they are stored.

Before the November meeting, be thinking about dahlias that we might want to use as Flowers of the Year for the show next year.

A big thanks to Curtis and Chris for taking care of our Root Park garden. We often receive complements on the garden from those that work at the San Leandro City Hall. One of our past mayors called the Casa Peralta Garden one of the jewels of San Leandro. Thanks also go to Roy and Tony for keeping this garden sparkling for us.

We want to remind our members that if they have a topic for one of our meetings, to let DJ know. We are happy to share the knowledge that we have about our favorite flower.

See you Tuesday,

John

Refreshments will be provided by:
Idalina Macede and Andrew Baxter

San Leandro Dahlia Society

September 15, 2015

Karp Room - San Leandro Library

Presiding --- John Morton. Members present = 20

Opened with comments on Monterey show. Special interest on there flyer that included, if membership 0desired. Chris received a "best of show"!

Santa Rosa Heirloom Exhibition at fairgrounds 9/8,9, and 10th. Marcia was one of the judges for the dahlia exhibit. While not a large number, the quality was good. Tomatoes, pumpkins and variety of other vegetables also on show. Will consider our club taking a more active role next year.

General discussion on seedlings followed ----Led by Curtis. Bees do all the work with pollinating. John showed examples from his yard and DJ added comments that bees go to different places, therefore different plants. The group than selected from a variety of flowers grown from seedlings Best of show went to Beverly. Worst of show to JoAnna

Treasurers report ---remain solvent. Checks given to reimburse earlier expenses

A slide show by Barry on Santa Rosa "Heirloom Exhibit"

Beverly hoping that between October and November meetings, all dues for next year can be collected Ten dollars local and twenty-four for national for total of twenty-four/ twenty-seven for couple. (*See page 3 for details*)

Welcome back to Roy

Adjourned following raffle.

Submitted by Maren Giannini.

Program:

We'll be talking about what to do with our dahlias now as we keep them for next year's blooms. Cutting and dividing will be discussed along with other important dahlia topics.

Check the club's website for a great article on digging and dividing dahlias (and lots of other great topics, too!)

See the bottom of page 3!

2016 Dues are due ...

\$10 for San Leandro Dahlia Society only

\$10 SLDS + \$24 individual ADS membership = \$34

\$10 SLDS + \$27 family ADS membership = \$37

If you pay in October, you will receive 2 raffle tickets.

If you pay in November, you will receive 1 raffle ticket.

Raffle prizes will be good stuff. Join early join often. Just join!

ADS \$\$\$ will be going to Alan Fisher soon after the November meeting.

Thanks,

Beverly, Membership chair

Our website is: **SanLeandroDahliaSociety.Org**

It has wonderful information about alot of topics. Click on Growing and Showing Dahlias, and Digging and Dividing is on the drop down list... Then you'll see this title picture above the article!



Digging and Dividing Tubers

DJ took a couple of pictures of the Seedling Contest at last month's meeting:

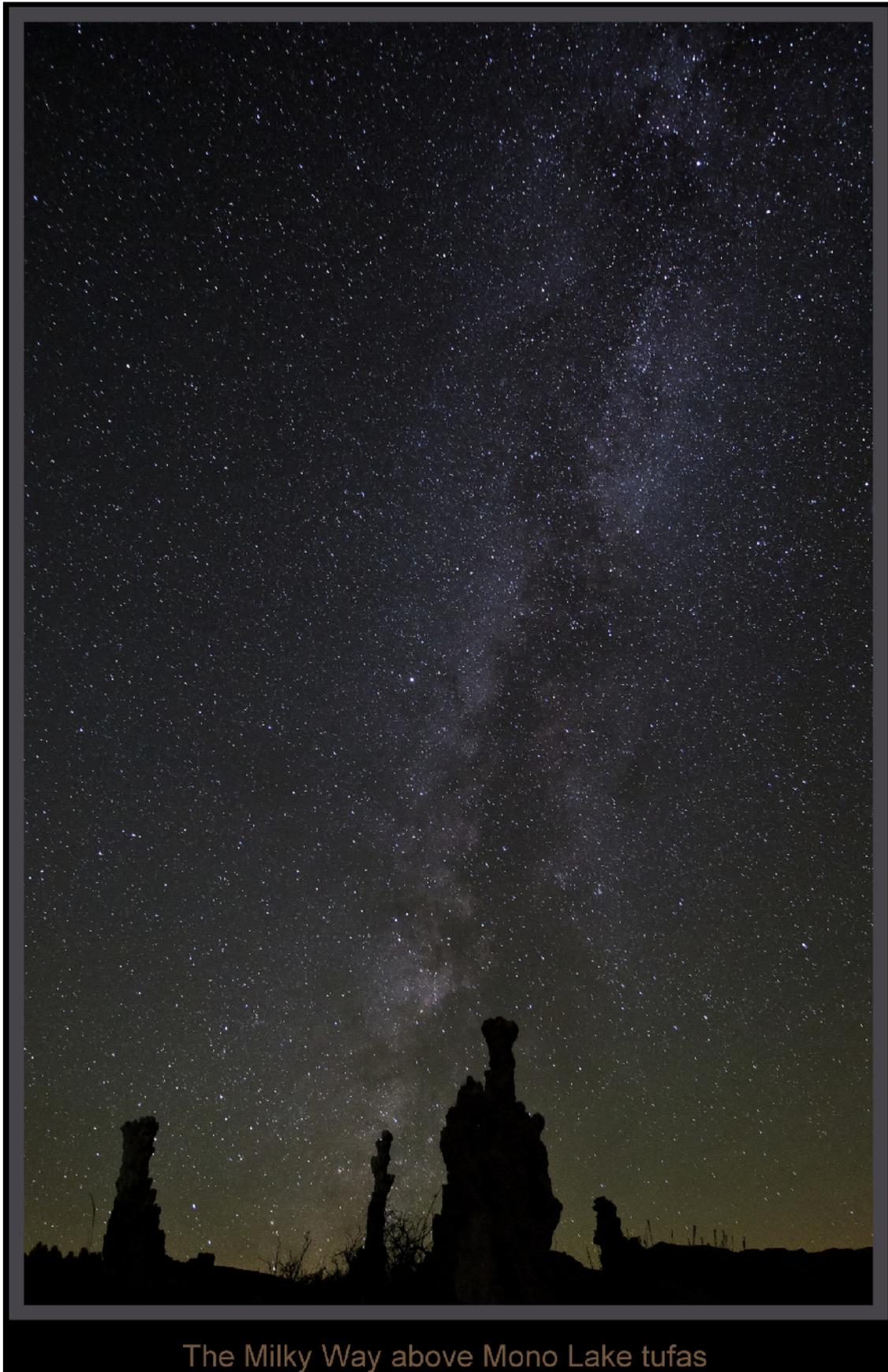
Here are all the flowers:



and here are the winners... the best and the worst...



From the editor: We spent last weekend at Yosemite and the other side of the Sierras. I took this shot at around midnight... we were lucky to have a clear sky and no moon.



The Milky Way above Mono Lake tufas