

San Leandro

DAHLIA TIMES

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Next Meeting: Sept. 19, 7:00 PM

Karp Room, San Leandro Library

Dahlia folks,

Can you believe the growing season is almost over. We had colorful and high quality blooms for all the shows from The Dahlia Society of California, San Leandro, Monterey Bay and the Santa Rosa Show. The San Leandro exhibitors did well in these shows.

Now is the time to check those tags to make sure you have the right name with the right dahlia plant. When we have our tuber/plant sale in April, we want to sell the right product to our customers. If you have weak plants, get rid of them. We don't want to have tubers from a weak plant as that will just make more weak plants.

Good growing from Roy, Tony, Kristi and Chris in our community gardens. As I go around town I hear a lot of good feedback from the public about our gardens and our show. In our meeting we want to take a few minutes to go over our show and what worked and what we need to change or work on. What can we do to enhance our show? What can we do to encourage membership?

See you at the meeting,

John

**Refreshments will be provided by:
Maren and Quamrun**

Next Month: Idalina and Dawn

Minutes - Aug. 15, 2017 Meeting

7:00 - Karp Room - San Leandro Library

Presiding ---John Morton

Comments regarding San Francisco Dahlia show, their 100th event, 8/12 & 13th. Multiple wins in several categories by our member Tony and recognition of Roy with a special medal for his multiple contributions and "mentoring".

New Business --- preparation for our yearly show this 19th and 20th. JoAnna and John to purchase "night" food for members setting up prior to actual event. John said he would be contacting Tom regarding his offer to provide lunch items for the members during the actual show periods. Reimbursements will be made by the club.

Beverly stated she sent out emails to all those from past several years that had expressed interest in the show as well as placing information of the event with local newspaper like the C.V. Forum.

Motion made and approved to donate \$100.00 to Church of Christ in San Leandro for use of facility this past month for judging school.

John stated our tax status has "gone through" but still is awaiting papers. Motion made by JoAnna and seconded that with next years show, \$25.00 per hour be paid for guard service. This would start at 8pm on Friday night and make for better staging of the event. Library declined our use of banner advertising for our dahlia event in the library. This banner had just been purchased to promote the event. Suggestion made to try displaying it on a parked car near the entrance instead.

Motion by John, seconded and approved to accept July minutes.

Treasurer's report by Dennis ----solvent, bills submitted with follow up checks. Thirty-four attended judging school this year. Society will pay a flat fee of \$10.00 per head starting next year.

Sign up sheet was circulated for duties on both 19th and 20th. Curtis to be charge person of judges this year. John asked that "set ups" be finished by 9:15 on Saturday so talk for judges can start by 9:20. Actual judging process to then start immediately after John reviews written rules that judges use during this event. Discussion followed especially between several members, as related to visible support above rim of container for flower. John also reviewed what defined a novice, amateur, and junior plus the commercial grower and what it takes for a flower to enter the Hall of Fame.

Meeting adjourned 8:45pm

Minutes submitted ----Maren Giannini

Program:

***Time to show off your seedlings!
Many of us took home the seeds from
Parkland Rave to see what would appear.***

***So bring them, or any other seedlings that you might have for our big
"Seedling Contest"***

Prizes will be given for the best and the worst!

***We'll also talk about the show and
what went right and what went wrong...
so we can do even better next year.***

This year's show was pretty spectacular!



In the following pages there are pictures from our show...
First, our great judging teams, then flowers from the tables and the last two
pages are seedlings (which we will surely see in future shows)















Seedlings



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