

YTHS July 2016 Monthly Meeting

Tanabata Celebration, Ann Homan's Home, Livermore

Yuki Teikei celebrated Tanabata on July 9th at Anne and Don Homan's lovely home in the hills above Livermore. Those attending were Anne and Don Homan, Patricia and Al Machmiller, Carol Steele, Deborah Kolodji, Patrick Gallagher, Betty Arnold, Amy Ostenso-Kennedy, Phillip Kennedy and Ann Bendixen. Judith Schallberger was unable to attend but sent a star cake and poem. After a shared dinner we waited for nightfall writing haiku together.

high in the night sky
we trust what we cannot see
the magpie's promise
~Anne Homan

Milky Way—
traveling a wandering road
to hear a legend
~pjm

even with doors shut
the wind is the loudest sound—
Tanabata night
~Carol Steele

a clear sky
on the seventh night
lovers renew vows
~Judith Schallberger

city lights
the Milky Way shines down
on lovers
~Patrick Gallagher

Tanabata Eve—
listening for the magpie
wing the wind
~Betty Arnold

peeking out from
powdered sugar clouds
stars on 7/7
~Amy Ostenso Kennedy

ignoring
the shiny space probe
magpie flight
~Phillip Kennedy

a river of stars
a rainbow made
from cellophane
~Ann Bendixen

surrounding the earth
from separate hill tops
you and I
~Deborah P. Kolodji

write-up by Carol Steele