

**NORTHERN CALIFORNIA-NEVADA-HAWAII DISTRICT**  
**Fall Business Meeting**  
**Foster City, CA**  
**Sunday, October 4, 2009**  
**Hosted by San Francisco, Golden Gate and San Mateo Rose Societies**

**Call to Order** – District Director, Jolene Adams, called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. at the Crowne Plaza Hotel.

**Welcome** – Kathleen Dooley, President of the San Francisco Rose Society, welcomed everyone to the Fall Business Meeting for the NCNH District.

**Roll Call of Societies** – Roll call was taken by Bill Reynolds, District Secretary. Societies not represented included: Honolulu, Reno, Lodi-Woodbridge, Mendocino and Stockton. The following societies had only one representative present: Golden Gate, Monterey Bay, San Mateo County and Woodland Library.

**Approval of Minutes** – Rose Gilardi moved and Patty Click seconded the motion that the minutes of the Spring 2009 Business Meeting be approved as written. **Motion Carried.**

**Treasurer's Report** – Kent Duncan, District Treasurer, presented the financial report and a report on the NCNH Trophy Fund. **Report Accepted.**

**District Director's Report** – Presented by Jolene Adams.

- ARS is doing amazingly well considering the state of the overall economy. Still in the black. Paid staff is taking volunteer furlough Fridays.
- In the future, all ARS publications will be printed on demand to save money. No ARS calendars will be sold after the current supply runs out.
- ARS has requested that each District give \$1000.00 to be used towards Operating Funds. Jolene suggested that local societies and individuals wishing to do so can donate \$10.00 and up. Donations to be sent directly to ARS with a request by sender that the NCNH District be given credit towards our \$1000.00 goal.
- ARS will continue to have "Christmas in Rose Land" this year. This event will be held on weekends only since weekdays were not well attended.
- ARS Website. There was an intense Trojan Virus attack in August which caused the site to crash. Scheduled to be back up and running by the middle of October.
- The NCNH District is the 3<sup>rd</sup> largest in the nation and is the most active.
- Attendance at ARS National Conventions has been declining through the years. ARS has now down sized requirements for hotel size. Jolene is scheduled to be installed as President for ARS in 2012. She would like to have this happen in her District and would like to see one or more societies sponsor the 2012 Convention.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Elsina Dean – Consulting Rosarians:** There were two successful schools this year in Jackson (5 new CR's) and Hawaii (6 new CR's). No emeritus status requests this year. The local society 1 point seminars this year have proven to be a good trend. Consulting Rosarians should strive to help maintain a positive attitude within their local Society. This is one of their jobs – to spread positive vibes throughout the District.

**Judy Bonds – Horticulture Judges:** Judy is grateful for all of her friends who have helped her through her three years as Chair of Horticulture Judges. There are 5 new apprentices: Harry Dedini (Ripon); Martin Kooi (Santa Rosa); Ellie Longanecker (Carmichael); Carole Schmitz (Redding); and Linda Walton (Redding).

**Dolores Moffat – Arrangement Judges:** All current Arrangement Judges will need to renew their certificates at an arrangement school in 2010. Two new apprentice judges: Harry Dedini (Ripon) and Martin Kooi (Santa Rosa).

**Carol Burek – Membership:** Carol reviewed her last three years as Membership Chair for the District and touched upon several areas including - "What We Have Learned From the Contests and Tracking That Has Occurred"; " Why Help Maintain ARS Membership"; and "Some of the Membership Milestones for NCNH".

**Muriel Humenick – Prizes & Awards:** Reminded those in attendance that Society reps helping to select a Silver Medal winner for our District have a tendency to nominate members from their own Society who work very hard for that particular Society but do not do a lot on the District level. Incoming Society Presidents for 2010 must appoint a representative for a three year term that is aware of volunteers within the District who are working very hard for the District. There was no Silver Medal awarded this year.

**Ted & Linda Berg – Criterion Editors:** Encouraged subscribers to get their renewals submitted promptly so as to keep the number of paid subscriptions at 200+.

### **TEN MINUTE BREAK – MEETING CONTINUED AT 11:35 A.M.**

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS – Jolene Adams**

**Society Bylaws** – All Societies are okay at this point. Updated Bylaws have been turned in to ARS per their request.

**Rose Show Schedules** – Stockton and Lodi/Woodbridge Rose Societies still need to have their schedules reviewed.

**NEW BUSINESS – Jolene Adams**

**Standing Rule #34** – Proposed as follows: “The District Treasurer shall be empowered to act as the single signature authority on disbursements up to two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250), with the consent of the Executive Committee.” Motion by Elsin Dean to accept this Standing Rule. Seconded by Rosemary Sawyer. **Motion Passed.**

**Outgoing Officers and Chairs** – Jolene Adams asked the outgoing elected District Officers and various Chairs to come to the front of the room where they were issued an appreciation gift by Jolene. Photos were taken.

**Incoming District Director** - Jolene Adams introduced Alice Affleck as incoming District Director for 2010-2012. Alice then introduced the incoming Executive Board and new committee Chairs.

**Call For New Business From The Floor** – Janey Leonardich of the Monterey Bay Rose Society invited all societies to attend the Spring business meeting which will be held in Watsonville on March 27<sup>th</sup>.

**Fall 2010 District Conference** – Need a local Society to sponsor this conference and to come up with dates and so forth as soon as possible. Sponsors are also needed for the 2011 and 2012 Conferences. Spring District Business meetings are covered through 2012.

**District Raffle** – The District Raffle was conducted by Lesa Lane.

**Adjournment** - The meeting was adjourned by District Director, Alice Affleck at 12:10 p.m.

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Bill Reynolds, NCNH Secretary**