

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA-NEVADA-HAWAII DISTRICT OF THE AMERICAN ROSE SOCIETY
Fall Business Meeting

Holiday Inn Fresno
1055 N. Van Ness Ave., Fresno, CA
Hosted by San Joaquin Valley Rose Society

8:00 AM – 12:00 PM; Sunday, October 6, 2013

Minutes

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM by Alice Affleck, District Director.

Michael Braun, president of our hosting society the San Joaquin Valley Rose Society welcomed everyone.

Roll Call of Societies was conducted by Lenore Ruckman, Secretary Betty Mott was unable to attend. 21/27 societies were represented. Absent: Honolulu, Lodi-Woodbridge, Mendocino, Redwood Empire, San Francisco, Stockton, Rose Societies.

Minutes of the March 16, 2013 Spring Business Meeting in Redwood City were approved as posted on the NCNH District Website.

Treasurer's Report Kent Duncan, Treasurer's Report was accepted

Alice Affleck presented the District Director's Report

The State of the ARS

We are in the black, have been for 3 years and continue to be. It is still vital to contribute to ARS to keep things that way. We are making a \$1,000 donation to the patron program.

Donations have really helped after the devastating tornado. \$8,000.00 was donated to the Tornado Relief Fund to help offset the \$7,000 insurance deductible. The insurance covered a great deal of the damage.

They are still working on the challenge of making the Modern Roses data free to paid members.

Coming Events for ARS

Mark your calendars: Spring 2014 on Mother's Day weekend: San Diego will host the 2014 Spring National Convention. Everyone is **Strongly** encouraged to reschedule their events. We want as many people as possible to represent our district in San Diego.

The all mini national was held in Winston-Salem Sept. 20-22. The ARS board meeting and fall awards took place, since there was no Fall Convention.

Presidential Citation was awarded to Nanette Londeree for her work on the 2013 American Rose Annual The Sharing and Caring of Roses.

Phil Schorr was awarded the Klima Medal and Luis Desamero was awarded the Gold Honor Medal at the All Mini Convention in Winston-Salem.

August 18th, 2013 Summer Executive Board Meeting Notes were included in the electronic distribution of the October 6, 2013 Fall Business Meeting Packet.

Committee Reports

Gregg Cook Consulting Rosarians. Gregg's Consulting Rosarian Report was presented by Alice Affleck. Gregg was unable to attend.

2 very successful CR schools: in Chico and Honolulu. There were 35 in attendance in Chico, and about 30 in Honolulu. We have 8 new CRs, plus 2 pending from Honolulu and 2 pending from Chico. 1 in Chico didn't pass. So we have 175 CRs and 4 in the wings. Fabulous!

Bob Parker Horticulture Judges

- Seminar – May 25, worth 2 points, at Baldo's Acres in Orangevale was very successful, attended by 45 judges and 11 additional attendees. Thanks to Sacramento and Sierra Foothills Rose Societies for all of the help in putting on this event. I am trying to schedule another seminar worth 2 points at approximately the same time next year. I need suggestions for topics.
- If we can find candidates I will do another Judging School in 2015. With early enough planning we should be able to have it in May instead of July like we had to last time.
- The following roses have been reclassified by ARS, effective immediately;
- "Lee Greenwood's American Patriot" (WELpatriot 0344, Wells, MinFl, 2008) **from Miniflora to Miniature.**
- "Memphis King" (WELing, Wells, MinFl, 2002) **from Miniflora to Miniature.**
- "Autumn Bliss" (WELbliss, Wells, MinFl, 2005) **from Miniflora to Miniature.**
- "I Believe in You" (WELyou9805, Min, Wells, 2012) **from Miniature to Miniflora.**
- "Tootsies Lounge" (WELtoot 0388, S, Wells, 2011) **from Shrub to Floribunda.**

"Mary Alice" is a **Miniflora not a Miniature as listed in 2013 American Rose Society Handbook for Selecting Roses**

Ann Marie Harris Arrangement Judges

Congratulations are in order for Karen Ernsberger who has just been accepted as an ARS Accredited Arrangements Judge. This brings us to 10 accredited arrangements judges and 2 apprentices. This number is still insufficient to staff rose shows held around April 20-May 10. We will cope in the next several years as we did this year, by having ARS Horticulture Judges or National Garden Club Judges as part of a judging team with an accredited Arrangements Judge.

I am open to receiving proposals for an arrangement judging school, seminar, or workshops in 2014. Hopefully, we will have recruited enough candidates for a school, or at least be able to keep all of our current judges accredited.

There was a proposal at the 2013 Aiken arrangement workshop to change the requirement that roses in arrangements be outdoor garden grown to wording that would allow even florist roses as long as they are registered and shown under the correct ARS Approved Exhibition Name. Suggestions such as this and others are being solicited as part of the process of revising the ARS Guidelines for Judging Rose Arrangements, which is currently underway. October 6th NCNH District Business Meeting attendees were asked to give a show of hands if they would be in favor of this change and the vote was no.

There was additional discussion about the proposal to change the outdoor-grown requirement for roses. Everyone viewed this as a separate class, to encourage garden club and other non-rosarians to enter the arrangements section of the show. Most didn't see it as something that would compete for the gold, silver & bronze medals.

Patty Click Membership Patty's Membership Report was presented by Alice Affleck. Patty was unable to attend.

Last year we had a very successful year, but this year ARS did not send me the lists of expired members and new members. I kept emailing my contact person every two weeks except for the time when they had a tornado in the spring.

I never heard from ARS until late August. Then I had to sign a confidentiality ARS form and finally I have received the information that I needed to send out personal letters to members who have not renewed.

It was a slow year and I feel this year is behind me, so I am gearing up to get going with next year's presidents.

I have some ideas that I want to pursue for 2014. You will hear more about it early next year.

Respectively submitted,

Patty Click

NCNH District Membership Chairman (just means I work for free)

Dean Davis Programs and Speakers Dean was unable to attend, no report submitted.

Linda & Ted Burg Criterion Editors

The Criterion report is almost the same as the 2013 Spring Business Meeting Report.

The Criterion has 184 paid subscriptions. (185 in Spring 2013)

Of this number, 17 have not renewed and are in danger of being dropped. (16 in Spring 2013)

Since January 2014 we have 16 new subscriptions. (We had 11 new subscriptions from Fall-Winter 2012)

We still would like: MORE subscriptions to keep The Criterion from going in the red MORE ARTICLES!!!

Additional discussion: Get local societies to subscribe and then share the information with their members to encourage individual interest. Give gift subscriptions as raffle prizes.

Send local articles and news items to Ted & Linda. They want articles and subscriptions!

John Shaw Nominations & Awards

The selection process for the 2013 NCNH District Silver Honor Medal is complete and Rosemary Sawyer was presented her medal, certificate and plaque at the 2013 NCNH Conference banquet dinner last night.

District Outstanding Judge was awarded to Ted Burg

District Outstanding Consulting Rosarian was awarded to Rose Gilardi

Of the 27 rose societies I received ballots from 25 local societies (92.6% compliance) in the selection process. I never received a response from one local society and another chose not to participate.

I wish to remind each of the committee members that their appointment is for a total of 3 years. Therefore, I look forward to working with each of you for the 2014 and 2015 Silver Honor Medal recipient determination.

I am NOT requesting reimbursement for the expenses associated with the selection of the Silver Medal Honoree. However, for future budget allocations, the costs of the process were approximately \$230.

Postage: \$ 50.00

Supplies (envelopes, paper, labels, ink): \$ 20.00

Engraving: \$ 35.00

ARS (medal, plaque, certificate, postage): \$130.00

Total (approximately): \$235.00

Joan Goff Site Development (Conferences)

Joan's Site Development (Conferences) Report was presented by Alice Affleck. Joan was unable to attend.

The Marin Rose Society is hosting the 2014 District Conference (Ruby Jubilee 40 Years Marin Rose Society) and it will be held at the Four Points by Sheridan, 1010 Northgate Drive, San Rafael, on October 10-12, 2014. This is a three day weekend with the Columbus Day holiday on Monday. The Marin Rose Society last hosted the Conference in 2005 and looks forward to another great conference.

I am looking for a society or societies to host the 2015 District Conference and am happy to meet with any board to discuss the possibility. This is two years away and there is plenty of time to plan for the event.

Gail Trimble NCNH Web Mistress - Nothing to report (Unable to attend)

Dave Coop Trophies & Awards

Dave has taken the photos of the district trophies and had them enlarged. He had each one mounted on foam board, with a list of prior winners. They were displayed on the exhibit tables at the rose show. It looked very, very nice. If a winner wants to take a trophy home for the year, they can work that out with Dave on a case basis. Dave will get this year's winners' names engraved on each trophy. Many trophies still need work and still need names engraved. Dave also made a certificate to present to each winner, with a smaller photo of that trophy (for the perpetual trophies).

This was actually done for the Fresno conference, and it looked fabulous.

Ernie & Sue Magill Raffle

We had a very successful raffle.

Alice Affleck Roses in Review, District Directory

Roses in Review Reports due to ARS October 7th, 2013

Send NCNH District Directory Updates to Alice with email changes, address changes, and to designate your primary phone number (cell or land) in the order that you would like to be reached.

NEW BUSINESS

Spring 2014 Business Meeting invitation was made by Lou Evans, Mount Diablo Rose Society. The date has been set, March 8th, and it will be held at the Resurrection Greek Orthodox Church Community Center, 20104 Center Street, Castro Valley. Suggestion for spring business meeting program, "Hands- On" Challenge Classes.

Conference Bids for 2015, 2016 Alice Affleck

ARS Fall National Convention, October 17-18 Tyler, Texas

Standing Rules No Updates to Standing Rules

Any other new business

District Raffle/ Auction – Ernie & Sue Magill- Very Successful

Business Meeting adjourned by Alice Affleck at 12:01 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Betty Mott, District Secretary, 2013-2015

Upcoming Conventions and Business Meetings

2013		2013
ARS Spring Board Meeting	Franklin TN	March 7-9
NCNH Spring Meeting	Peninsula RS, Redwood City, CA	March 16th
ARS Mini National Convention	Winston-Salem, NC	Sept 20-22
NCNH Fall Conference/Show	Fresno, CA	Oct 4-6
2014		2014
NCNH Spring Meeting	Mount Diablo RS, Pleasanton, CA Resurrection Greek Orthodox Church Community Center, 20104 Center Street, Castro Valley	March 8
ARS Spring National Convention	San Diego, CA	Mother's Day May 8-11
ARS Mini National Convention	Mount Laurel, NJ	July 24-27
NCNH Fall Conference/Show	Marin Rose Society	Oct 10-12
2015		2015
NCNH Spring Meeting	Gold Country RS, Auburn, CA	
NCNH Fall Conference/Show		
2016		2016
NCNH Spring Meeting		
NCNH Fall Conference/Show		