

**NORTHERN CALIFORNIA-NEVADA-HAWAII DISTRICT (NCNH)
OF THE AMERICAN ROSE SOCIETY (ARS)
Fall Business Meeting Minutes- October 31, 2021
Hosted by Sierra Foothills Rose Society virtually via Zoom**

CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME- SUE BENNETT

- The meeting was called to order by Sue Bennett, District Director at 2:30pm
- No additional Agenda items or changes were requested.
- Sue Bennett congratulated Baldo Villegas on winning the Gold Medal from ARS.

ROLL CALL- CINDY PHIPPS

- Roll Call was conducted by Cindy Phipps, Secretary.
- *Rose Societies present:* Butte, East Bay, Gold Country, Humboldt, Marin, Monterrey Bay, Mount Diablo, North Bay, Peninsula, Reno, Sacramento, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Shasta, Sierra Foothills, Southwestern Oregon, Woodland Library.
- *Rose Societies absent:* Honolulu, Lodi-Woodbridge, Mother Lode, Redwood Empire.
- A Quorum was declared.

MINUTES OF SPRING BUSINESS MEETING (3/20/2021)- CINDY PHIPPS

- Minutes from the Spring Business Meeting were emailed to everyone ahead of the meeting (Local Rose Society Presidents and Board Members).
- Sue asked the delegates if there were any corrections, additions or deletions needed and there were none. Therefore, the minutes will be filed as presented and will be posted on the NCNH website.

TREASURER'S REPORT- LOU EVANS

- The Treasurer's Report was posted on the NCNH Website as of July 31, 2021. The checking account balance was \$14,847.36.
- Since end of July, minimal activity. Checks were written totaling \$1,971.54 (\$861.76 for District Director travel expenses; \$1,000 donation to ARS for the Education Endowment Trust; \$96.50 to ARS for Emeritus Judge and Master Rosarian certificates and pins; \$13.28 for the last Criterion). This is the least costly Criterion to date.
- Up to date balance \$13,026.63.
- Certificate of Deposit at First Republic Bank rolled over again in October. Rates are still very low; Lou renewed for another 4-month period; CD at 0.2%. The CD value \$17,041.50.
- Total cash on hand (checking and CD) \$30,068.13.
- This is the fourth consecutive meeting that has been held virtually. This has resulted in a loss of between \$3,500 and \$4,000 income, with no raffle donations.
- The next Criterion subscriptions are due. Fee is \$50, payable to the NCNH District.
- The Treasurer's report will be filed for audit.

NOMINATIONS AND AWARDS REPORT- JAN BURNHAM

- The Silver Medal is for outstanding service at the District level, similar to the Bronze medal at the Local Society level and Gold medal for ARS.
- The most difficult part of getting up to speed in taking over this position was communication with local society committee representatives.
- This year's recipient has more than 30 years as an ARS member; has held every position in the local society; is an Arrangements Judge; was the Arrangements Judges Chair for the District; and is the current District Historian since 2016. Please join me in congratulating Ann Marie Harris, who is our Silver Medal winner for 2021 (Jan showed the certificate to the audience). The medal and certificate will be mailed to Ann Marie.

DEPUTY DISTRICT DIRECTOR REPORT- LESA LANE

- Nothing to report

DISTRICT DIRECTOR REPORT- SUE BENNETT

- Sue thanked Sierra Foothills Rose Society for hosting the meeting
- Sue reported on the ARS National Convention held in Milwaukee in September. There were many speakers and tours. Diane Somers is the new president for 2022. At the ARS Board meeting, Diane Somers discussed how to increase funding. Currently ARS has 3 big donors. Diane is looking for different ideas to generate revenue.
- At the Board Meeting, it was suggested to have an on-line meeting with both current Presidents and any known incoming presidents along with Program chairs – to share ideas.
- ARC will begin work on the 3rd and 4th circles in the ARS Garden.
- Burglar and Fire alarms were installed at ARS headquarters.
- ARS has moved from DROPBOX to ONBOARD; if you have used google for meetings, calendars, etc., this seems to be similar and will help the employees at ARC as well as those who have access to it once it is up and running with all the data.
- ARS trial members, 20% convert to full time members.
- More information from this report will be available in the next edition of The Criterion.

PARLIMENTARIAN REPORT- RICK SYDOR

- The Bylaws Committee will be working on more details in the coming months. In particular, the job descriptions of the committee chairs as there aren't any for many of the chairs.

IMMEDIATE PAST DISTRICT DIRECTOR- JOAN GOFF

- Nothing to report

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CONSULTING ROSARIANS (CR)- JOLENE ADAMS

- Master Consulting Rosarians: Stu Dalton, Michael Braun, Charlie Malarkey and Lydia Truce. Jolene showed the Certificates to the audience. Each person will be mailed the certificate and a pin from ARS.
- No Outstanding CR announced as ARS didn't send the paperwork on time. Will know by the end of the year.
- Six CR's didn't complete the Roses In Review (RIR); six Emeritus CR's did do it, so the District did well overall in number who completed the RIR.
- Three CR's didn't complete the End of Year report.
- CR Manual has been revised and approved; you need to be a member of ARS for 2 years, not 3 years.
- CR's will earn 1 credit unit for written article reprinted in newsletters. It must be approved by the Committee.
- CR status table has been updated and is on the NCNH website.

HORTICULTURE JUDGES- MARTINE LABELLE

- Nothing new from the Spring Business meeting.
- Judges need to complete the End of Year report.

ARRANGEMENT JUDGES-MARTIN KOOI

- No report was submitted.

PHOTOGRAPHY JUDGES- BETTY MOTT

- Eileen Jackson will be the new District Photography Chair and the new ARS Chair is Pam Powers.
- PSWD Photography Chair, Dave Mahoney created a committee to develop photography judge training and perhaps create interest with the ARS national chair to do the same. This would not be a photography school but training in judging rose photography.
- Shout out to the photography winners at the National Conference in Milwaukee. Lou Evans was awarded Best of Class in 7 out of 10 classes and Princess of photography with his photo of Marilyn Monroe. Rose Gilardi was a photography judge and took best in class for her entry of Daddy Frank in the judge's classes.
- Approved changes in the photography guidelines are clarified in the Fall issue of **The Criterion**.
- All upcoming local society and district show schedules need to be aligned and the previous wording in your class descriptions needs to be changed.
- Local society show schedules need to be sent to the district photography chair for approval in advance.

PROGRAMS AND SPEAKERS- LESA LANE

- No changes since they were published in the District Directory.

THE CRITERION- LINDA AND TED BURG

- The Editors would like to receive rose articles of interest from any rosarian in the District. You don't need to be a CR or a Judge.

WEBSITE ADMINISTRATOR (INTERIM)- GAIL TRIMBLE

- Nothing to report

TROPHIES AND AWARDS- DAVE COOP

- Nothing to report

RAFFLE- SUE MAGILL AND CHERILYN DUNCAN

- Donations can be sent to Lou Evans, District Treasurer, in lieu of raffle items since we have not had any in person meetings.

ROSES IN REVIEW (RIR)- JERRY GEORGETTE

- We had 175 reviewers and 402 reviews.
- NCNH had the highest number of reviewers in the country; 130 were CR's.

DISTRICT DIRECTORY- SUE BENNETT

- Sue is working on corrections and updates for 2022.

HISTORIAN- ANN MARIE HARRIS

- No updates since the summer board meeting.
- Three requests were made for Rose Show schedules and past member activities.

NEW BUSINESS

- The Spring Business meeting will be hosted by Butte Rose Society in Chico on March 26, 2022.
- Conventions and meetings for 2022. Still looking for hosts. Gold Country Rose Society was the last in person conference in 2019
- Special Recognition:
 - Mount Diablo- 35 years
 - Shasta- 35 years
 - Southwest Oregon- 45 years
 - San Francisco- 80 years
 - Santa Clara- 95 years
- Installation of Officers: Sue Bennett installed the District Officers for 2022.

Meeting Adjourned: 4:01pm

Respectfully Submitted

Cindy Phipps

NCNH District Secretary

