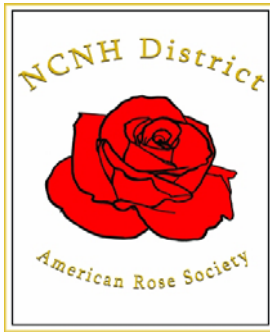


NORTHERN CALIFORNIA-NEVADA-HAWAII DISTRICT  
OF THE AMERICAN ROSE SOCIETY



Spring Business Meeting  
Columbia, CA  
Hosted by Golden Sierra Rose Society  
9:00 AM – 4:00 PM; Saturday, March 4, 2006

**MINUTES**

**The Spring Business Meeting of the NCNH was called to order at 9:20 a.m. by Jolene Adams, District Director.**

Ron Sawyer, Golden Sierra Rose Society President welcomed everyone to Columbia.

**The Roll Call of Societies was made by Judy Jones, Secretary.**

Absent were Ken Jones, Treasurer, and Dean Davis, Education Chair.

All societies were present except: Humboldt, Lodi-Woodbridge, Mendocino, Peninsula, Reno, and Stockton Rose Societies.

**The Minutes of the Fall 2005 NCNH Business Meeting** recorded by Judy Jones, Secretary, have been posted on the web and were mailed to each delegate. Rosemary Sawyer **moved** that the minutes be accepted as posted. Rose Gilardi seconded the motion and the **motion passed**.

**Treasurer's Report & 2006 Budget Proposal by Ken Jones, Treasurer.**

In Ken's absence, Judy Jones presented the Treasurer's report and **moved** for its acceptance as presented. Ernie Magill seconded. The **motion passed** and the report was accepted as presented.

The proposed budget was corrected at the time of presentation to reflect the actual cost for Roses in Review and the District Directory for the year 2005. The budget mailed out in the Delegates' Packet had reflected a 2005 payment for the years 2004 and 2005.

The updated Trophy fund was presented and delinquent societies were named.

**Jolene Adams, District Director gave the Director's Report.**

It is very important that the names of each society's representative to serve on the Awards Committee for the NCNH be given to Muriel Humenick as soon as possible. Most societies have not submitted a name. The deadline is April 1, 2006. Representatives must be ARS members.

ARS Report: Money is still tied up in designated funds causing ARS to be cash poor. Membership is also declining. The new Director is Michael Craft, (execdirector@ars.org). In an effort to improve efficiency, he is reducing some staff positions. With other changes made, ARS is now operating in the black. Meetings are being held on efficiency. The *American Rose* magazine publishing cost is being reduced without sacrificing quality.

Excess land that is standing idle is an issue. ARS is now contracting with a lumber company for managed harvest of some timber. Modern Roses 11 is being revised for Modern Roses 12. The target publishing date, probably unrealistic, is next year. The cost of Modern Roses 12 will be around \$100. The effort is being made to sort out those roses with one-line entries from other countries. Many of those roses no longer exist and will not be included in the new book unless they can be found and their characteristics verified.

Jolene reported that the NCNH garden at Shreveport has been damaged by voles and deer. Those roses damaged are being replaced and more roses are being added to the red garden. Some local societies have their own gardens – East Bay, San Francisco, San Mateo. Gold Country had a garden, which was paved over for a road. No effort was made to replace it. These gardens are not well maintained, but have the society's name on the garden. Since that looks bad, Jolene suggested emailing to get photos of the gardens and to make plans for cleanup.

The February ARS magazine had a Rose Nurseries Guide. Extras were printed and may be ordered to give away as a promotion.

### **Election**

This is the meeting to elect the nominees for the offices of Deputy Director, Secretary, and Treasurer, for the next three years. Joe Burek, Parliamentarian presented the nominations:

Deputy Director, Ernie Magill  
Secretary, Gail Carpenter  
Treasurer, Kent Duncan.

Joe **moved** to elect the nominees with a unanimous ballot and it was **passed**. All nominees were elected to serve for the next three years.

Muriel Humenick was nominated and elected as Awards Chair for for the next three years.

### **Let's Talk About**

**Honorariums** – There is a disparity of wealth between the individual societies. Honorariums paid by other organizations vary from \$50 to \$100, sometimes including expenses, and sometimes as high as \$500 plus. NCNH will not mandate an honorarium, but it was pointed out that many clubs are losing good speakers because of cost of travel, etc. Good programs are needed to keep members. Consulting Rosarians from the society should not always be the program. They should be writing articles for newsletters and local newspapers, and giving a talk of a few minutes at the beginning of each meeting, instead of being “the meeting speaker” for their own society. Honorariums do not have to be all monetary. Overnight accommodations, meals, gas money – these things can help a speaker decide to make the trip to your club.

**“Open” Schools and Shows** – our ARS non-profit status mandates that no discrimination be practiced in any way. It is not permissible to exclude people who do not live in the area from a rose show, even if growing conditions are very different. This non-discrimination also applies to schools which must be open to all. Space may be a limiting factor, but nothing else. There can also be no cap on membership of a local society. If money is a problem, charge for exhibiting in the show. Or stipulate that Perpetual Trophies stay within the local society.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS** (oral or written)

**Dean Davis , Education**, was absent and there was no report.

### **Elsina Dean, Consulting Rosarian Chair**

Elsina congratulated all who sent in their Annual CR Reports. She received 103 reports out of 167 CRs. Reports for 2006 will be able to be filed on line starting in Aug. This was requested by many who evaluated the 2005 report form.

Scheduled CR Schools:

Redwood Empire on April 8, 2006.

Reno, Aug. 13, 2006

Woodland, Nov 11, 2006.

The Lodi-Woodbridge CR School netted 9 new CRs.

Many older CRs have elected to change to C.R. Emeritis. Forms for this procedure may be found on the ARS web site.

Elsina has written a protocol for hosting CR schools. It will be a guide to improve communication, facilitate hosting, and clarify responsibilities of host societies and district.

The CR reports indicated that 95% of respondents wanted one-hour seminars at local societies. Elsina cautioned that these must be approved ahead of time and must be more substantial than just a meeting speaker.

A moment of silence was held for Francesca Mills of North Bay who passed away last week. She was a new Master CR.

New Master Rosarian pins and certificates were given out. New Master CRs are Jolene Adams, Rose Gilardi, Ann Marie Harris, Ken Jones, Adena Kalal, Dolores Moffat, Sally Joy, Bob Parker, Rosemary Sawyer, Dwayne Schramm, Diane and Steve Steps, Ed Yesan, and Larry Olson.

Nominations for Master Rosarians are due in June. Don't be late. The proper forms are on both the District web site and the ARS site.

### **Beverly Rose Hopper, Horticulture Judges Chair**

Some Apprentice Hort. Judges still need to receive accreditation. Many only need paperwork submitted as they have judged the correct number of shows but ARS has not received the evaluation forms from the person they judged with. If you judge with an apprentice, tell them if you do not feel they have done a good job, tell them that you are not turning in your form. If you do not tell them, then please submit the form as soon after judging as possible.

Accredited judges must keep current by attending schools or seminars. If you have Not kept current you will be dropped. If you are not listed in the new directory, check with Beverly to see if this is in error or if you have been dropped for non-compliance with the Continuing Education rules.

A Judging school will be held in Benicia, July 15-16. Register early. Bob Martin will be teaching, along with Alice Affleck and Barbara Gordon, plus a panel discussion will be held with Q&A. A BBQ will be held in the evening at the Burek's with entertainment. Limit for the Judging School is 75 participants. The dinner event is limited to 50. Deadline, June 24. Group rates for a hotel will be obtained. Information will be on the District web site as well as e-mailed to each local society.

The Judges Annual Report for 2005 forms are available online. Please complete by March 15.

Reminders: floribundas do not need to be staged; Mini-Floras should not be penalized for being large; Singles are 4-8 petals. Use teachable moments to educate when judging. Do not exclude; be inclusive.

### **Dolores Moffat, Arrangement Judges Chair**

Three workshops in the past year involved a lot of materials, which are being offered for sale today at half price. The money is to go to the Arrangement Fund.

An Arrangement Judges School and Seminar will be offered in August. Details will be sent out soon.

The 2005 Outstanding Arrangement Judges Award was presented to Barbara Gordon.

### **Rosemary Sawyer, Membership Chair**

No information was received about membership from ARS. Golden Sierra society is an example of a vibrant growing society. It has grown from 13 to 52 members. They are working with the State Park Department to bring OGRs back to the state park. Their first Rose Display event was attended by over 100 people. Emphasis is on friendliness, and good programs.

### **Linda & Ted Burg, Criterion Editors**

Many renewals were received. Some addresses got mixed up due to computer problems. If you didn't receive the latest issue and you subscribed, please contact them. Articles are needed. There are now 245 subscribers + 30 courtesy copies.

**Muriel Humenick, Nominations & Awards -- No report** (verbal given by Jolene earlier)

### **Alice Affleck, District Directory & Roses in Review**

RIR report given. NCNH was first in the country for participation. We are still not at 100% of CRs completing their reports, which is required. If a CR misses reporting two years in a row, they can be dropped from the CR program.

Two District Directories are available to each society. Extra copies are available for \$3 or \$4, depending on the binding. New in the individual entries section is an "M" for Master Rosarian.

The Public Rose Garden is now open in Ross.

### **Dave Coop, Raffle/Site Selection**

Thank you for trophies and gifts.

Site selection. Sites are needed for all of 2008, 09, 10. Butte offered for Spring 2008 pending board approval. Sacramento bid for Spring 2009, Contra Costa bid for Fall 2009. Spring 2010, and Fall 2010 are still open.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Marin Rose Society Fall 2005 Conference Report was presented by Joan Goff. There were 173 paid registrations. Due to donations from members and corporate sponsors they made a profit of \$4211.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Christine Mateer, Mount Diablo Rose Society, issued the invitation to the Fall 2006 District Conference, to be held in San Ramon, October 6-8, 2006. A Quilt Raffle was explained and tickets offered for sale. Fliers were distributed.

Dolores Moffat reported on the Arrangement Rose Show, which will have the theme of “Rose Gardens Around the World”. An article about the rose gardens will be on the web site.

Ed Yesan and Jennifer Galli issued an invitation to the Spring 2007 Meeting on March 3, 2007 at the San Mateo Garden Center in San Mateo.

Ed Yesan and Earl Parsons have moved from the NCNH District and are now listed in the Central Illinois District. We’ll miss them. Jim Turner announced two new rose varieties – Earl Parsons, a colorful shrub (Antique ‘89 x Playboy), variably colored, very double, opens well in cool weather, own root, registered. Ed Yesan, a classic pink HT (Sonia x New Zealand), has the foliage of New Zealand with good substance, registered. They are being evaluated and are not yet available. So far they are only grown in Jim’s garden, but Jim offered bud wood.

Ed Yesan will be chairing the 2007 District Rose Show in Jackson. If you are attending the National in Saint Louis – stay with them!

**DISTRICT RAFFLE/AUCTION – Dave Coop**

Money earned \$695.

**The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m.**