

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA-NEVADA-HAWAII DISTRICT
Spring Business Meeting
Sacramento, CA
Saturday, March 14, 2009
Hosted by Sacramento Rose Society

Call to Order- In the absence of District Director, Jolene Adams, the meeting was called to order by Ernie Magill, Deputy Director at 9:05 a.m. at the Sacramento Garden & Arts Center.

Welcome – Linda Knowles, President of the Sacramento Rose Society welcomed everyone to the Spring District meeting.

Roll Call of Societies – Roll call was taken by Bill Reynolds, District Secretary. Societies not represented included: Honolulu, Lodi-Woodbridge, Mendocino, and Stockton. Lake County, Peninsula, Reno, San Mateo, Santa Clara County, and Woodland Library had only one delegate each.

Approval of Minutes – Linda Knowles moved and Patti Click seconded the motion that the minutes of the Fall 2008 Business Meeting be approved as written. **The motion carried.**

Treasurer's Report – Kent Duncan, District Treasurer, presented the financial report & 2009 budget proposal. He reminded societies to make monetary donations to the trophy fund.

District Director's Report – Presented by Ernie Magill, Deputy Director

- ARS is in good financial shape with the budget running in the black.
- A horticulturist has been hired for the ARS rose gardens to assist with the hurricane damage and neglect in general.
- National elections for ARS Vice President are approaching with ballots in the May/June issue of *"The American Rose"* magazine. Voting may also take place online.
- Requirements have been scaled back for hosting National Conventions. Sponsors are needed for future conventions and it is suggested that 2-3 societies jointly host a convention.
- Local societies not having already done so need to submit a copy of their bylaws to the District Director.
- ARS Newsletter Awards. *"The Criterion"* won a silver certificate for district newsletters. Marin Rose Society was awarded a gold certificate and Butte Rose Society received an Honorable Mention award.

FIFTEEN MINUTE BREAK – MEETING CONTINUED AT 9:50 A.M.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Elsina Dean – Consulting Rosarians: Currently 157 Consulting Rosarians. 128 filed annual reports. Upcoming CR schools include: Honolulu, Reno, and Chico. One point CR seminars are on the increase.

Judy Bonds – Horticulture Judges: Judges School – May 16-17 in Citrus Heights. Judges need to turn in their year-end reports.

Dolores Moffat – Arrangement Judges: Two new apprentices – Martin Kooi and Harry Dedini. There are 11 accredited arrangement judges. Only 3, year-end reports have been submitted. Dolores announced ARS Emeritus Arrangement Judge award to Adena Kalal for many years of faithful service as an arrangement judge.

Carol Burek – Membership: Report given by Joe Burek in Carol's absence. He outlined Carol's goals as membership chair for 2009 and reminded societies about the free trial ARS membership program that is still in effect through 2009.

Betty Mott – Speaker's Bureau: Requested names of new (potential) program speakers be given to her.

Linda & Ted Burg – Criterion Editors: They requested articles for this publication and reminded everyone that subscriptions are \$18.00 per year.

Muriel Humenick – Nominations & Awards: There are 28 society representatives who have the responsibility of selecting a worthy recipient of the District Silver Honor Award each year. Nomination forms were mailed to these reps and must be returned by June 1st.

Alice Affleck – District Directory & Roses In Review: NCNH District has the most reporters in the nation for Roses In Review. Marin County and East Bay had the most reporters in our district. Members choice award was Julia Child. Awards for highest number of individual reports went to Bill Reynolds (Butte); Tom Bonfigli (North Bay); Florence Taylor (Marin) and Thomas Bolden (East Bay).

OLD BUSINESS

Fall 2008 Conference: Dean Davis reported on the District Conference in Redding. He thanked everyone for their support and indicated that the Shasta Rose Society lost less than \$3000.00 on the conference.

NEW BUSINESS

New District Director: Alice Affleck has been accepted by ARS as the new NCNH District Director. Alice indicated she would not assume the position until November 2009 and she asked for everyone's support during her three year term.

Election of 2010-2012 District Officers: Parliamentarian, Joe Burek, was in charge of the election. Lesa Lane, Chair of the Nominating Committee presented the following slate of District Officers: Deputy Director – Dr. John Shaw; Treasurer – Kent Duncan; Secretary – Lesa Lane; Nominations & Awards – Dean Davis. Motion made by Muriel Humenick and seconded by Rose Gilardi to accept the slate as presented. **Motion carried.**

Fall 2009 District Conference: Kathleen Dooley of San Francisco Rose Society invited all district societies to attend this year's conference scheduled for October 2-4 at the Crown Plaza Hotel in Foster City. There are three societies co-sponsoring the conference – San Francisco, Golden Gate and San Mateo. Kathleen requested that a short meeting be held following the general session to address financial concerns and other conference related issues.

Spring 2010 District Business Meeting: Janey Leonardich of the Monterey Bay Rose Society invited all societies to attend the Spring meeting which will be held in Watsonville sometime in March 2010.

Conference Bids: Ernie Magill announced that sponsors are needed for Fall District Conferences for 2010, 2011, and 2012. Spring District Business Meetings are covered through 2012.

New District Trophy: Tom Bonfigli, Trophy Chair announced that planning is underway for a new district award to be known as the Bill & Muriel Humenick Trophy. It must be approved by the Executive Board before becoming a reality.

District Raffle: The District Raffle was conducted by Lesa Lane.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned by Deputy Director, Ernie Magill at 12:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bill Reynolds, NCNH Secretary