

PACIFIC NORTHWEST DISTRICT BOARD MEETING
Following the Portland Rose Society Rose Show
6/6/2013, 2:15 PM

Members present: Gretchen Humphrey - District Director, Michael Humphrey – Acting Assistant District Director, Marika Reiner – Treasurer, John Moe & Elena Williams - Consulting Rosarians’ Co-Chairs, Bruce Lind & Jim Linman - Horticulture Judging Co-Chairs, Kathleen Johnson – Membership Chair, Judy Heath – Editor NW Rosarian, JoAnn Brehm – Arrangement Co-Chair, Barbara Lind – Secretary.

Unable to attend: Jason Fredette – Roses in Review Chair, Lynn Schafer – Prizes & Awards, Webmaster, Linda Kerkoff – Arrangement Co-Chair, Harlow Young – PNW District Photo Contest.

I. Director’s Report – Gretchen Humphrey

Gretchen welcomed the members of the Board and thanked them for attending the meeting.

1. Summer Workshop: Floribundas

The agenda for the workshop is as follows:

- a. Background history of floribundas – Jeff Wyckoff
- b. Plant Selection/Bed Preparation/Planting – Elena Williams
- c. Fertilizing and Spraying – John Moe
- d. Pruning/propagating/photos of popular or good new varieties – Rich Baer
- e. Evaluating/Judging/Exhibiting floribundas – Fredettes

Discussion:

Gretchen asked everyone to promote the workshop since only 3 people have registered so far. The cost is \$35. The Ft. Vancouver Rose Society will provide the luncheon as they have for earlier workshops. Elena asked if there would be a projector/computer for the speakers and John assured her that he will have that equipment available. John has received permission from Cindy Dale (ARS Chair of Consulting Rosarians) to award 4 CR credits for those who attend. Bruce will consult with the Fredettes to assure that their portion of the program will include those topics needed to award Horticulture Judging credits. It was decided that a minimum of 20 people registered by a week before the workshop is necessary for the workshop to be held. People can also pay/register at the door.

2. Fall Conference October 25, 26, 27, 3013

The agenda will include:

- a. Suzanne Horn – Master Rosarian from SoCal. “Exhibiting Made Easier” has spoken at Judging and CR Seminars
- b. Richard Anthony – For the Love of Roses – bought this business from Whit Wells in Tennessee: will speak about mini/miniflora Roses.
- c. Dr. Gary Ritchie – Topic to be announced
- d. John Moe – World Federation of Roses Conference presentation
- e. Rich Baer – new varieties of roses to look for

- f. Business Meeting
- g. Awards
- h. Arrangement Seminar Friday evening
- i. CR School & Audit/Judging Audit Sunday morning

Discussion:

The two speakers from outside the District will try to keep the expenses down as much as possible. They are both known to be excellent speakers and we are very excited to have them at our Conference.

II. Treasurer's Report – Marika Reiner

Marika will send a written report to Board members. She has arranged for banking to be done on line. In order to do this she had to accept a debit card but will have Gretchen “cut it up”. There have been no changes in finances since the last meeting but there have been some donations amounting to about \$300.

III. Consulting Rosarian Report – John Moe/Elena Williams

John reported that he sent out an email the previous night to all CRs in the district. It included the following topics:

- a. Master Rosarian – John encouraged everyone to submit nomination forms for CRs with at least 10 continuous years of service by the end of June. The form can be sent to him or Elena, preferably by email. He reminded people that this is designation not an award. Someone familiar with the person (or the person themselves) and the CR program should complete the form. The National CR Chair makes the decision.
- b. Floribunda Workshop – John mentioned that 4 CR credits will be awarded to those who attend the workshop.
- c. Roses in Review (RIR) Program – While participation in the RIR program is no longer mandatory for CRs, it is strongly encouraged and expected of CRs. It can be submitted “on line”. If you do not grow any of the roses included in the form, there will be a box to check indicating this and you will get credit for submitting the form.

IV. Judging Chair Report – Bruce Lind/Jim Linman

Bruce reported that Jim will be involved in writing the next article for the Northwest Rosarian. They will be sending out emails to those who must do an audit this year. There will be audits at both the Floribunda Workshop and the Fall Conference.

District Judging Chairs held a discussion about “stem on stem”. There was concern that the wording in the Judging Manual was different for shrubs and old garden roses. There was a suggestion that “stem on stem” should be allowed for all types of roses. The Judging Chairs voted to make no changes in the manual.

V. Membership Chair Report - Kathleen Johnson

Kathleen reported that the ARS has reported a slight increase in ARS membership. They are promoting Trial Memberships. She has asked the ARS to send her an updated ARS membership list for the PNW District but has not received it. (Judy needs an updated list for the distribution of the Northwest Rosarian). Elena said that Trial Memberships may be going away. It has been

determined that the number of people with Trial Memberships who then join the ARS has declined.

There was a discussion about a Confidentiality Form needed in order to get the Membership List. Both the CR Chair and the Horticulture Judging Chair stated that they will be required to sign this form. It has yet to be determined how they will be able to give out audit dates and lists of judges when this information is needed.

VI. NW Rosarian Report – Judy Heath

Judy reported that the cut off date for articles for the next NW Rosarian is August 1. She stated that it is a big job to create the newsletter and compare old and new membership lists in order to send out the newsletter. She could really use some help. Marika suggested a person from the Portland Rose Society who could help. Joana Dinu met with Judy after the Board Meeting and agreed to help.

Judy mentioned that she will need an article from Jason about RIR for the Northwest Rosarian. She will also need an article from Harlow Young about the Photo Contest. She will send them copies of last year's articles as an example of what is needed.

VII. Arrangement Chair Report – JoAnn Brehm

JoAnn Brehm reported that the arrangement seminar at the Fall Conference will be on Friday, Oct. 25, 2013 from 7 – 9 PM. Two hours of credit will be awarded to those who attend. She asked that the room be set up so that the seminar's arrangements can remain in the room for the next day's meeting. She will need the room set up classroom style with a podium and microphone. Topics for the seminar will include frames, personal adornment, dried arrangements and arrangements of miniatures to include those eligible for the Duke Award.

Possible presenters include JoAnn, Char Mutschler, Dorothy Campbell, Norma Boswell and Kathy Wyckoff. Another topic mentioned was information for those writing arrangement schedules for their Rose Shows.

JoAnn reported that an Arrangement Judging School is planned for July of 2014. She suggested it be held in the Vancouver, WA area, possibly at the PUD building. Gretchen asked if this could be next year's summer workshop. This idea was met with general approval.

VII. Other Business

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:05 PM.

Barbara Lind
PNW District Secretary
6/7/2013