

THE SCMOA REPORT

Protecting Our Rights and Lifestyle with Education, Communication and Integrity



Next Meeting

Saturday, February 1
Fircrest MHP
965 Gravenstein Ave,
Sebastopol, CA 95472

Meeting begins @ 1:30 pm

DIRECTIONS

From Petaluma & Sonoma:
North on 101 to Exit 481B. West on
CA 116/ Gravenstien Hwy. towards
Sebastapol for 7.4 mi. Please park
at the Fircrest Market, walk across
Gravenstien Hwy. and follow
Redwood Ave to Spruce Ave, make
a left and ontinue to the clubhouse.

From Santa Rosa:
West on CA 12. towards
Sebastapol for 6.5 mi. Turn left on
Gravenstein Hwy./S Main St. for .9
mi. Please park at the Fircrest
Market, walk across Gravenstien
Hwy. and follow Redwood Ave to
Spruce Ave, make a left and
ontinue to the clubhouse.

President's Message

Heartfelt wishes for 2020 to be a great year for your health and well-being. Remember, a major role in ongoing health is to have safe affordable housing.

Amid worrisome market pressures, your county and state wide mobile home associations remain vigilant and ready to respond quickly if the need arises. We have worked hard for years to put good protective laws in place, but all too often greedy corporations find ways to get around those laws. In these cases, being united and prepared is our best defense.

Therefore, let me remind you that February 1 at Fircrest MHP in Sebastopol will be the next SCMOA quarterly meeting starting 1.30 pm. We have a lot of ground to cover, because the prior meeting of November 2 had to be canceled amid aftermath of the massive fire evacuation.

Please come to the meeting and help us suggest new officers, or you can contribute from home. put a name into the running by emailing our nominating committee chair, Ann Colichidas at acolichidas@gmail.com.

With all the present officers being termed out by August, this is a wonderful opportunity for new blood and fresh faces to try out leadership. Candidates will be voted on at the Spring meeting, May 2, and will take office three months later at the beginning of the Summer meeting. Consider putting your hat in the ring!

Also at the upcoming February 1 meeting we will hear a report about our new involvement with CARA, the California Association of Retired Americans, as well as progress in assisting all the county parks in developing their own email group to stay better connected. In addition, we will get an update From Doctor Richard Diehl on the growing hazards to all of us from home EMF's and the buildout of 5G.

Not long after the February 1 SCMOA meeting in Sebastopol, our statewide organization, GSMOL, will arrive March 7 in the town of Sonoma for our county's first ever Regional Convention at Moon Valley MHP. This will be a grand opportunity to be informed by and network with our state officers and hopefully meet our excellent legislative lobbyist and attorney; cost is free but reservations will be required.

SCMOA will send out more information about this GSMOL regional conference soon as they are available. Stay tuned...

Stay involved and let us hear from you,

Rich Shames, MD
SCMOA President

MOBILEHOME OWNERS CONFERENCE IN SONOMA

As many of you may know the Golden State Mobilehome Owners League commonly known as GSMOL has ended the practice of holding state-wide conventions. The election of officers was changed from an in-person delegate system to a one vote per member by mail ballot. Since being physically present was no longer necessary, it was felt that many would forgo the long drives and overnight stays their attendance would require.

Instead of a single convention the Board decided that a series of Regional meetings, that would bring the GSMOL to where its members lived, would be a better option. That decision has proven to be a resounding success. The meetings that have been held throughout the state have been very well received and attended.

Golden State Manufactured-home Owners League



On Saturday, March 7th, the GSMOL will bring their Mobilehome Owners Conference to Sonoma. This event will feature presentations by Bruce Stanton, GSMOL Counsel, Esperanza Ross, Legislative Advocate, Matthew Wise of the HCD, GSMOL President Linda Larson, VP David Loop and several other State and Local Leaders.

The event starts at 9:30 am and goes till 4:00 pm (doors open @9:00 am) and will be held at the Moon Valley Mobilehome Park Clubhouse, 1001 5th St. West, Sonoma 95476. You don't need to be a member of GSMOL to attend and there is no charge for admission. Lunch will be provided. Space is limited and if you plan to attend an RSVP is required. Please reply by February 22nd. Call (415) 300-0270 and leave a message with your name(s) & contact info, or email SonomaValleyGSMOL@gmail.com.

There is plenty of parking on-site and directly across the street.

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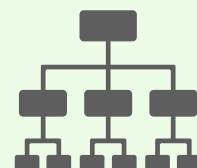
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Financial Statement
December 31, 2019

Business Checking

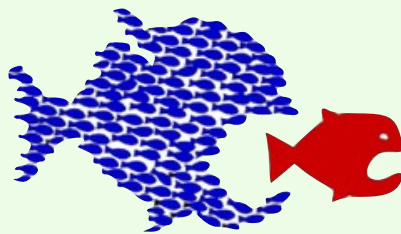
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Beginning Balance 10/1/19	9,304.13
Money Market Transfers	0.00
Dues Deposits	430.00
CA Franchise Tax	0.00
Membership Expense	0.00
Postage	(223.05)
Office Supplies	(7.32)
Education Comm. Expenses	0.00
CARA Affiliation Fee	0.00
NSF Check	0.00
Website Maintenance	0.00
Ending Balance 9/30/19	9,503.26

Money Market (Legal)

Ending Balance 9/30/19	4,245.40
Beginning Balance 10/1/19	4,245.40
Legal Donations	170.00
Dividends	8.09
Transfer to Checking	0.00
Ending Balance 9/30/19	4,423.49

Business Share

Ending Balance 9/30/19	105.75
Beginning Balance 10/1/19	105.75
Dividends	0.03
Ending Balance 9/30/19	105.78



Minutes August 3, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 1.35 pm at Seven Flags MHP, Sonoma.

Present were 21 members, and 4 officers

President’s Greeting included discussion of current Mobile-home related bills in our state legislature, including: AB 173 fee & tax waiver, SB 274 allowing companions & SB 508 mobile home insurance bill of rights.

There have been changes at the CDC, but no updates on revisions for the county’s next 10 year plan.

A Santa Rosa MHP refuses to accept checks from one person as retaliation for working with us. We will follow up and assist.

Ann Colichidas: certain parks are ripe for conversion due to area-specific plan. We’re watching to prevent conversions to non-mobilehome land use.

Minutes and Treasurer’s Report were approved.

Education Committee - VP Dan Drummond is distributing “Resident Reference Folder” to more local parks in county. He suggested recruiting SCMOA members by asking to speak at each park’s HOA meeting.

Work continues on expanding database and park purchases were discussed.

President Rich Shames requested a volunteer liaison with the Sonoma Supervisors & CDC, to determine when our input is required. Linda Bruce volunteered, Ann Colichidas will mentor so she can learn this position.

Still needed: a volunteer to monitor GSMOL bills in our legislature. If you are interested the job is notifying SCMOA of bills are in process so SCMOA members can assist.

Discussed: members are difficult to contact via email. A motion passed for E-Board to meet and consider solution.

Guest Speakers from CARA (CA Alliance Retired Americans): Tom Amado and Christine Thompson invited members to be involved via Sonoma County CARA CAT (Community Action Team) meeting held 3rd Wednesday each month at Glaser Center in Santa Rosa. CARA supports 2020 proposition to close Prop 13 loopholes.

Motion passed to explore CARA membership.

Raffle was held, and meeting adjourned @ 2:45pm

Respectfully submitted; Karilee Shames SCMOA Secretary

PROPOSED BYLAWS CHANGE

On the agenda at the February 1st SCMOA meeting there will be a motion to amend our bylaws. It has been proposed that Sec 5.1 and 5.2 be modified. Those sections are printed below with the additional text italicized and underlined.

The problem with our current bylaws is that all of our officers are elected at the same time so when they are termed out after two consecutive terms, we lose our entire board and all their experience. The proposed changes remedy this by staggering the terms of our officers and encouraging former officers to continue as advisers to the board.

Please plan to attend the upcoming meeting to discuss these change and vote on their adoption.

Section 5

1. The Officers shall serve terms of 2 years and the Trustee shall serve one (1) year. *Election of President and Secretary shall take place on even number years, while election Vice President and Treasurer shall take place on odd-numbered years. Election of Trustee shall take place every year.*

2. A person shall serve no more than two (2) consecutive terms as Officer. *Officers who have served their terms will be encouraged to remain as advisors to the board.*



Request for Nominations for All Board Positions

President, VP, Secretary, Treasurer, Trustee

Qualification for candidacy:

SCMOA member in good standing for one year.

3 ways to Nominate:

By email: acolichidas@gmail.com

By phone: 707-293-8007

In-person at Feb 1 and May 2 meeting

GSMOL REGIONAL COFERENCE

Saturday, March 7th
Moon Valley

Mobile Home Park
1001 5th St W, Sonoma, CA

9:30 am - 4:00 pm
(Doors open @ 9:00 am)

Bob Fleak's Mobilehome Owner's Lunch

Friday, Jan 24, Feb 28, Mar 27

Boulevard Café

1096 Petaluma Blvd. N.

Meeting starts at Noon

Come earlier to find a space

and have time to eat

\$1.00 Donation

SCMOA Membership Report

Month	New	Renew
October	3	13
November		22
December	1	11
Active Members		304
Inactive Members		0
Expiration Notices		47
Archived Status		18

Renewal Notices Sent:

Oct 7, Nov 12, Dec 1

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NAME _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP _____

PARK _____

CHECK TOTAL \$ _____ DUES \$ _____ LEGAL FUND \$ _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

Dues are \$10 per household for 12 months.
Send your check payable to SCMOA, along with this completed form, to:

SCMOA, 380 Circulo La Cruz, Rohnert Park, CA 94928-1956



Do not allow this to be your last newsletter

If your membership is about to expire, please renew before **April 5, 2020** to receive the next issue of the **SCMOA Report**.

Your expiration date is shown above your name on the address label of this newsletter.



If your label shows you to be due either now or soon, we urge you to renew your membership in SCMOA, using the above form. We need your support for the important work that SCMOA will be doing to help fight attempts to convert our manufactured homes to condos, remove rent control, and to restore effective local planning controls.

If dues remain unpaid, we will have to remove you from our active membership list. We hope you will continue to support our collective efforts to protect our communities!

We look forward to hearing from you!

**Sonoma County
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