

# THE SCMOA REPORT

Protecting Our Rights and Lifestyle with Education, Communication and Integrity



## Next Meeting

Saturday, Feb. 4 @ 1:30 pm

**Zoom Video Meeting**

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## President's Message

I hope you are all having a Happy New Year! With all the very stormy January, I hope you were able to stay dry and warm. And in these inflationary times, I also hope your head is above water financially. If your PG&E bill was as high as mine, warmer days and nights can't come soon enough!

This time of year, our Golden State Manufactured-home Owners League (GSMOL) legislative activist and our corporate attorney are both working with members of the California Assembly and Senate to formulate MH legislation for 2023. They are our offense and defense at the state level, and your GSMOL memberships make it all possible! The last day program can be introduced is Feb 17. Since the MRL Protection Program has a sunset date of Jan 1, 2024, they'll be working hard to keep the program in place and eliminate a sunset date. Once the new GSMOL sponsored bills are up on the GSMOL.org website, we will give status updates at each meeting and try to answer any questions you may have about the bills.

At our Feb 4th Membership meeting we will cover the latest SF CPI, the new Santa Rosa Rent Control Ordinance, 2023 SCMOA elections, forming a Revision (Bylaws) Committee, and more.

The biggest story in my corner of the County is the long awaited update to the Santa Rosa ordinance, "Chapter 6-66 RENT CONTROL—MOBILEHOMES", lowering the allowable yearly rent adjustment to 70% of the August Consumer Price Index (CPI), with a cap of 4%! The park owners received the liberty of a 10% vacancy control increase in space rent following in-place transfers. There are still a couple of outstanding issues: the timing of when the ordinance takes effect and when it will be published on the city's official website.

We shall continue to meet using Zoom, but if you would like to host a SCMOA Membership meeting in your park, please contact any Board member. By the way, we were always looking for new Board members, so if your interested please do the same.

As always, SCMOA thanks all of you for your support and participation! Please do not renew your SCMOA membership until you receive a notice requesting dues, which will explain our delay in restarting renewals. Until then, no membership will expire.

Thank You and take care.

~ Dan J Drummond, SCMOA President

## MEDICARE AND SOCIAL SECURITY ARE UNDER ATTACK

Under the leadership of Speaker Kevin McCarthy, the GOP is ready to push forward on their goal to cut and privatize Social Security and Medicare. The plan is to force cuts to Social Security and Medicare's earned benefits. And they are threatening to refuse to raise the debt ceiling — triggering a catastrophic global recession — unless Congress agrees to benefit cuts.

This is total nonsense. Social Security benefits are held in a Trust Fund that is separate from the national budget -and should not be part of any budget or debt ceiling negotiation. Medicare (and Medicaid) are already implementing privatization – to the detriment of those who depend upon them. Private plans are allowed to charge more to Medicare while offering fewer services already, which is undermining the Medicare Trust Fund.

We must stop any further privatization. Medicare and Social Security are our *earned* benefit – we pay into them when we are working with the promise that we will receive the benefits when we are 65 or old enough to retire. The GOP must be stopped from using these programs as a political football and do what they are elected to do – pass the budget, protect these vital programs, and raise the debt ceiling when needed.



### WHAT DO WE DO? STAND UP AND FIGHT BACK!

Sign up for CARA's **Fabulous Friday Forum** on Friday, February 3rd at 12 noon PST which will focus on Social Security and Medicare and what is happening in Washington DC. We will have great guest speakers and further information on what we can do to stop these efforts. [CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)

**TELL SPEAKER MCCARTHY AND THE GOP:**  
*"Keep Your Hands OFF Medicare and Social Security!"*

**Rally and March** at Speaker McCarthy's office on Friday, March 17th in Bakersfield. We will demand that he and his party stop these attacks. There will be busses from all over the state.

Reserve your seat today. [Click Here FOR THE FLYER](#) and [Click Here to RSVP FOR A SEAT ON THE BUS.](#)

**SCMOA & GSMOL are both members of CARA**

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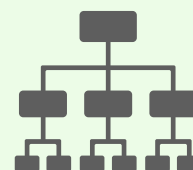
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Redwood Credit Union  
Financial Statement  
December 30, 2022

Business Checking

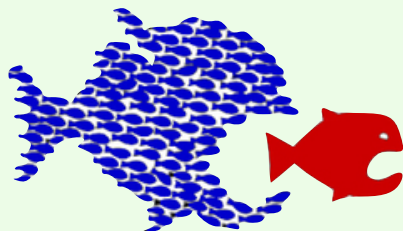
Ending Balance 9/30/22	11,731.56
Beginning Balance 10/1/22	11,731.56
Transfers to Legal (MM)	(30.00)
Deposits Dues & Legal	120.00
CA Franchise Tax	0.00
Membership Expense	0.00
Postage/Office Supplies	0.00
2022 CARA Dues	(100.00)
Office Supplies	0.00
Bank Fees	0.00
Returned Dues Check	(10.00)
Website Maintenance	0.00
Ending Balance 9/30/2022	11,711.56

Money Market (Legal)

Ending Balance 9/30/22	5,419.95
Beginning Balance 10/1/22	5,419.95
Legal Donations	30.00
Dividends	6.79
Transfer to Checking	0.00
Ending Balance 9/30/2022	5,456.74

Business Share

Ending Balance 9/30/22	106.10
Beginning Balance 10/1/22	106.10
Dividends	0.03
Ending Balance 9/30/2022	106.13



**MINUTES, SCMOA MEETING via Zoom® 11/5/22**

Call to Order: 1:30 pm, Pledge to Flag,  
Minutes, Agenda and Treasurer Report: Approved  
Q2 Treasurer Report: Filed for audit

OPEN MIC:

Park reports from members and guests

Youngstown: Management hasn't sent 90 day notices to long term lessees for the typical January rent increase. This is possibly related to last year's arbitration settlement but at this time their reasons are unclear.

Update on GSMOL 2022 legislation

SB 869-Park Manager Training

SB 940-new spaces no exemption from RSO

AB 2031-homeowner allowed rep in owner meeting

All three bills have been signed by the Governor

Motion #1

SCMOA to donate \$1000.00 to GSMOL

Moved, Seconded, Carried w/o Objection (MSC)

CPI & COLA Report

Social Security 2023 COLA increase will be 8.7%

Santa Rosa allowed August 2022 SF CPI increase 5.7%

Update on amending Santa Rosa rent control ordinance

SRMOA recommends including AB 2782 protections, 50% CPI & 3% cap, and temporary freeze on admin fees

Discussion of strategies for updating RSOs

Case Status:

WMA vs City of SR: State of emergency extensions penal code 396 limited rent increases 10%. Trial in Mar. 2023

SCMOA Committee reports

Nominating - Appointed by President, to recommend nominations in February for May election

Organization - bylaw change to combine VP and Treasurer

Communication - 18 new members signed up at Petaluma

Candidates' Night meeting

Meeting adjourned at 2:43

In Attendance: SCMOA Board: Dan, John, Ann, Eshawn and ten additional members via Zoom®

SCMOA online history <https://tinyurl.com/SCMOA-History>

## SCMOA Supports GSMOL



**GSMOL is a homeowner’s best insurance policy!** -Dan Drummond, President SCMOA

GSMOL has helped all of us and now they need us. The Covid pandemic has seriously eroded their funding. Membership dues have fallen because isolation measures have prevented the organization from recruiting replacements for the members lost due to attrition.

At our November meeting SCMOA stepped up and voted to donate \$1000.00. Those of you who are able, are also encouraged to donate to GSMOL [www.gsmol.org/donate-to-gsmol/](http://www.gsmol.org/donate-to-gsmol/). Also, please make sure your membership dues are up to date. There’s no better value for your money.

## Sonoma County Survey Stand Up and Be Counted

The Area Agency on Aging seeks feedback about the needs of and programs for older adults, individuals with disabilities, and caregivers in Sonoma County. The survey is brief and open to all ages. [Click Here to participate.](#)



The mission of the Area Agency on Aging (AAA) is to provide leadership, services and advocacy to promote the dignity, independence and quality of life for older adults, adults with disabilities and their caregivers.

Older adults 60+, adults with disabilities and caregivers can get help by calling the Information & Assistance Line (707) 565-INFO (4636) or visiting [SoCoEmergency Senior Resources.](#)



## Mobilehome Owner’s Lunch

4th Friday of every month:  
The next meeting will be on February 24 @  
The Boulevard Café  
1096 Petaluma Blvd. N.  
Meeting starts at Noon  
Come earlier to find a seat, network, and eat.  
\$3.00 Donation

[or Click this link to attend via Zoom®](#)

**Please Click Image Below For Sonoma County Vaccine Information**



Meeting Agenda: Saturday, February 4, 2023

Call to Order: Meeting recording will begin at 1:30 pm

Pledge to Flag

Presidents Greeting

Meeting Minutes

Treasurer Report

Topics

1. OPEN MIC: Park reports from members and guests
2. New GSMOL 2023 legislation
3. SF CPI % for Dec 2022 – 4.9%
4. Status of SR Rent Control Ordinance update & Rental Assistance program
5. Strategies for updating your local ordinance
6. SCMOA Nominating Committee for 2023 election
7. SCMOA Bylaws Revision Committee
8. SCMOA Committee reports

Announcements

- The Petaluma Boulevard Café 4th – Friday Feb 24, 2023 @ Noon
- Next SCMOA Board meeting – Monday April 17, 2023 @ 4:30 pm
- Next Membership meeting – Saturday May 6, 2023 @ 1:30 pm
- California Alliance for Retired Americans (CARA)
- SCMOA online history <https://tinyurl.com/SCMOA-History> (Download video files before watching for best viewing experience.)

Adjournment

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Sonoma County Mobilehome Owners' Assn. Inc.  
Protecting our Rights and Lifestyle

**We are here to support you. Please join us!**

This year more than ever, your membership can help turn the tides toward the preservation of our manufactured home communities. *With communication, education, and integrity we want you to know ...we're working on your behalf.*

- ★ Actively listen to homeowner issues
- ★ Work to help pass protective legislation
- ★ Advocate for your needs with local government
- ★ Provide perspectives on MHPs in Sonoma County
- ★ Help residents confronting unreasonable fee and rent increases or park conversion



*Membership meetings are held quarterly on the first Saturday of February, May, August, and November at different parks around the County. Please visit our website SCMOA.org for more information. As a regional coalition, we promote the goals of the Golden State Manufactured-Home Owners League (GSMOL).*

*Our increased unity at local and state levels has attracted the support of powerful allies such as AARP, NAACP, Council on Aging and CA Association of Cities.*

*Please call Dan Drummond at 707-696-5077  
if you have any questions.*



***Move forward with us!***

Your \$10 membership dues are good for one year.

Send your check (payable to: SCMOA) and this attached application to our Treasurer at  
**SCMOA, 82 Oakcreek Ct, Santa Rosa, CA 95409**

Sonoma County Mobilehome Owners' Assn. Inc.  
Membership Application

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ *Renewal or New-Membership (please circle one)*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Park: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\* Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount enclosed for Dues: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Legal Assistance Fund: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*\* Your email address is required for timely communications and to reduce postal expenses.*

∞ Thank You ∞