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**July 2016 E-Blast**

Welcome to the July 2016 E-blast from the **National Manufactured Home Owners Association (NMHOA)**. Please share these monthly E-blasts with as many home owners and other interested individuals as you have on your email list. The E-blast is an important way for NMHOA to share exciting news from across the country.

## **Convention News**

NMHOA is pleased to announce that its **Annual Convention** will be held this year at **Sunset Station Hotel/Casino in Henderson (Las Vegas), NV Tuesday September 20 thru Thursday September 22**. Start saving now and plan to send several representatives from your state association and individual HOAs to this valuable opportunity to gain knowledge and network with fellow advocates from across the country. Visit our website, [www.nmhoa.org](http://www.nmhoa.org), for continuing updates on convention details.

## **Anderson Named NMHOA Executive Director**

On July 1, Dave Anderson was appointed the new Executive Director of the **National Manufactured Home Owners Association (NMHOA)**. NMHOA is a membership-based nonprofit representing the rights and interests of 6 million people living in manufactured home park communities throughout the United States. He takes over from Ishbel Dickens, who was the first person to hold this position and did so from 2010 to 2016. Dave is well known to those working on manufactured housing issues as the long-time Executive Director of **All Parks Alliance for Change (APAC)**, the statewide association representing Minnesota's manufactured home owners. He will continue to assist APAC as a Senior Advisor & Management Consultant.

Dave has worked in the nonprofit sector for 25 years. Since 2004, he has worked with APAC, where he lobbied to establish the **Manufactured Home Relocation Trust Fund**, organized manufactured home owners to improve and protect their communities, and produced organizing manuals and consumer guides. He also previously served as executive director of the **Minnesota Public Interest Research Group (MPIRG)**, interim executive director of the **Minnesota State University Student Association (MSUSA)**, and associate state director of the **Minnesota Senior Federation**. Dave holds a Master of Public Affairs from the **University of Minnesota's Humphrey School of Public Affairs**, and is pursuing a Doctorate of Leadership from the University of St. Thomas.

This is not Dave's first experience with NMHOA. Beginning in 2007, he spearheaded an effort to strengthen and expand the organization. He obtained NMHOA's first grant funding and provided its first staffing in 2008 and 2009 through a contract between NMHOA and APAC. As NMHOA's Executive Director, Dave will provide guidance, training and support to the organization's leaders and coordinate policy advocacy with

national partners. This will include helping to organize NMHOA's annual convention on September 20-22 in Las Vegas, NV and representing the organization at the **Corporation For Enterprise Development (CFED) Innovations in Manufactured Homes (I'M HOME)** annual conference on November 14-15 in San Antonio, TX.

### **A Fond Farewell to Ishbel Dickens from NMHOA President Tim Sheahan**

On behalf of the NMHOA Board of Directors, I want to express my sincere appreciation to Ishbel Dickens for her years of service as NMHOA's Executive Director. Having served on MHOAA/NMHOA Board for over a dozen years, I have personally witnessed how Ishbel helped raise our organization to a higher level of visibility, effectiveness and credibility, through her hard work, dedication and stature as a nationally recognized advocate for owners of manufactured homes. We look forward to working with Ishbel in the future, although in a different capacity and wish her an enjoyable semi-retirement filled with enjoyable times with family and playing field hockey.

**New materials** – NMHOA is constantly updating materials and providing new and relevant information for manufactured home owners. Please visit: [www.nmhoa.org](http://www.nmhoa.org) to check out our two newest publications – Best Practices Non-profit Board of Directors: [http://www.nmhoa.org/uploads/4/9/3/0/49302223/best\\_practices\\_nonprofit\\_board\\_of\\_directors\\_final.pdf](http://www.nmhoa.org/uploads/4/9/3/0/49302223/best_practices_nonprofit_board_of_directors_final.pdf), and NMHOA Technical Assistance Guide: [http://www.nmhoa.org/uploads/4/9/3/0/49302223/nmhoa\\_technical\\_assistance\\_guide\\_final.pdf](http://www.nmhoa.org/uploads/4/9/3/0/49302223/nmhoa_technical_assistance_guide_final.pdf)

You can read all about NMHOA at the NMHOA webpage: [www.nmhoa.org](http://www.nmhoa.org) and please "like" our facebook page: <http://www.facebook.com/NationalManufacturedHomeOwnersAssociation>

**Thank You!** – We appreciate all new members and those who have renewed their membership—don't forget to encourage your HOA to also join!

***If there are stories or legislative successes from your state you would like to share through our E-blasts, please contact NMHOA President, Tim Sheahan at: [tpsheahan@cox.net](mailto:tpsheahan@cox.net). Your story will inspire and/or educate others. (Dave, are you ready to be listed as the contact)***