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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Bonnie Slager

I always have to think a bit about what I want to say in this message in every newsletter. This time I want to thank so many of you, for your help at all the events over the past few months and to let you know that I do appreciate you. The more you get involved with NHA and Norco, the better informed you become about this city.

Next, I want you to consider becoming more involved with NHA by running for the Board or an officer position. All of our current officers are willing to continue but if you have an interest in an officer position, please let one of us know, so we can tell you more about what is involved in each position. We have 5 open positions on the Board and some of our current Board members are planning on running but there will be some openings. Board members are expected to be at the Board meeting which is the first Tuesday of the month and of course the membership meeting which is the third Thursday of the month. In addition to these meetings, you are expected to participate in as many of the NHA functions and the functions that NHA helps with. as possible. And take a leadership role in an activity, if needed. Please ask any of the officers or Board members if you have questions and think about putting your name in for our elections which takes place at our November membership meeting, on Thursday November 17. All NHA members that live in Norco are voting members and can run for office. Associate members and business members are non-voting members.

I was happy to see, so many people at our October meeting. I know the free tacos was an incentive, but if you found out that you did learn a few things that are happening in Norco, you will find it worth your time, to come back next month.

I know that our new city manager Lori Sassoon was a draw for the meeting, and she did a great job with some really tough questions. Thanks to all of you, that took the time to join us and please come back next month.

I am always looking for speaker and activity ideas so if there is someone you would like to hear speak, or an activity you would like us to consider, please let me know. It does not have to be horse related, so give me your ideas. Not every speaker or activity is of interest to all members, but offering a variety of things, hopefully, something will appeal to you.

No free tacos next month but please join us and support NHA, as we continue to keep Norco as it is and not a sea of concrete with multiple housing units on each lot.

NHA Trails Committee Report

It never ceases to amaze me, how many people will step up to help. Some without even asking. Over the last two months the Trails Committee has been lucky to get a volunteer to head up the trail maintenance on Norco Drive. We had an Associate Member move into Norco and said he would like to help. Thanks Don Pettinger.

On another note, while we were riding the trails, we stopped and talked to a resident near Detroit and Valley View, who when asked volunteered to let us use their water connection to drill out the broken trail fence posts so we could replace them. We will schedule this soon. Also, while riding we spotted some trail fence, where a resident had tried to repair it with a metal stake to hold up the broken post. Over time it still fell leaving the metal stake sticking up (safety hazard). So, we picked up the fence material and removed the metal stake.

With the weather change, I think we'll be able to get out and make more repairs.

Bill Naylor -Trails Committee Chairman





CANDIDATE'S NIGHT

I hope all of you attended candidate's night on Thursday September 15, at Nellie Weaver Hall. NHA does not support any candidate for any election but we do encourage you to be an informed voter by holding a forum so you can meet and get to know the candidates running for local offices.

I hope you realize how important our city council is and vote for the two candidates that you feel will best represent you for the next 4 years.

At this time, we are an at-large city meaning you vote for candidates for all open seats. At some time in the future, we may need to change to districts which means you only get to vote for one candidate every 4 years. This change would be a big difference in our city council and how council members are elected. It is not a city decision to make this change so remember that voting for people that you want to represent you is important.

Also, we had the 2 candidates running for state assembly representing our area. Again, these are people that will represent you in Sacramento for the next 2 years so you need to decide which of the 2 candidates you feel will do a better job representing

you and Norco.



Finally, we had the one person running for school board that represents Norco. She is running unopposed for this position, but I hope you had a chance to talk to her at candidates' night and she will feel that you represent and how you think our young people should

be educated. Remember that voting is important and needs to be carefully considered so you get the government you want for the next 2 years. Governor races are important, but our local representatives are the people that really speak for us in the city, county and state so please vote.

STATE OF THE CITY

This year the state of the city address by Mayor Newton was held at Nellie Weaver Hall and highlighted the huge number of volunteers and nonprofit groups that help to make Norco the city it is. The farmer's market was held in the parking lot so that more people could be introduced to this event that is held every Thursday evening. Inside Nellie Weaver Hall tables were provided so that non-profit groups could showcase what they do and how any Norconian could be involved somehow with the city of Norco. Groups ranged from youth sports, school groups, service clubs to non-profits such as Norco Horsemen's Association and Horseweek supporting the Norco lifestyle.



Mayor Newton gave interesting update on how the city is financially doina and improvements being made improve life for residents. You may have noticed that some streets have repayed and more are on the list to be done. Parks are getting some

improvements such as new play

equipment and better lighting and city buildings are getting painted and reroofed. All badly needed improvements. Our challenges to keep our rural lifestyle and pay for it is a significant piece of our city's long-range plan.

While it is important that you attend events such as the state of the city address, I encourage all of you to either attend city council meetings or watch them online to see what is really going on, and how decisions are made and where the funds are coming from for each project. Be informed so you can make educated comments on city business. For example, did you know that \$27 million dollars have been spent on city street improvements in the last few years?

If your street is still full of potholes, look on the city website to see if it is on the list to be done in the next year. How are the trails being maintained and who should be picking up the trash in the trail and in front of your home? Know the correct answers not the Facebook answers.

In addition, your city council members are very willing to talk to you and answer your questions. The phone number for each one of them is on the city website.

Thank you to Mayor Newton and City staff for putting on an informative event and I hope all of you attended.

OCTOBER MTG - CITY MANAGER

Our new city manager, Lori Sassoon, was our speaker at our October meeting. She did a great job of explaining what the city manager's job is and how she and the rest of the city staff work for the city council members. I appreciate all the city council members that took time out of their busy lives to be there as well as our city attorney.

Lori updated us on city projects and spent some time talking about 2 specific projects. The property that the city purchased on Sierra for veteran housing will be used by the EATS people as a farm until the housing project gets started. It is a good use of the property and vacant property is subject to damage so using it and having people there is a good thing. The second purchase is 2.4 acres at the corner of Sixth Street and California. This property just went into escrow so the plans are still in the talking stage however, it will be used for parking during the big events at Ingalls. About 200 cars can be parked there which will help during big events such as the rodeo as well and Horseweek and Fair weekends. We asked about it being used as parking for rigs by people trailering to Norco for day rides and hopefully, that will be part of the plan for that piece of property.

Lori fielded some tough questions from our members and stayed to talk one-on-one after the meeting. We all appreciate her time with us as we know she is a very busy lady and has only been on the job for about 6 weeks. Welcome to Norco, Lori and remember you still have to get on a horse.









CHRISTMAS PARTY 2022

Surprisingly it's getting to be that time of year yet again. The air is crisp and cooler and gift giving is going to be the norm. This year we have a special treat for our members and guests. The first ever, at least for our group, we are hosting an Interactive Murder Mystery Christmas Party Dinner Show.

It will be held on Sunday, December 11, 2022, at 5:30 PM at the American Legion Post 328 on Old Hamner Rd., Norco, CA. Seating is limited! Entry is \$40 per person, and it includes a sumptuous 3-course meal and promises to be a very entertaining evening.

Please email Chairperson Terri Baker at tbake@msn.com or phone/text at (951) 316-4202 for reservations. There will not be a gift exchange at this event this year. I hope you will join us in the fun. I look forward to seeing many of you there.

Merry Christmas. - Terri Baker





















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DATED MATERIAL

November Tue 11/01 NHA Board Meeting 3829 Valley View, 7:00pm Calendar of Event Wed 11/02 City Council Meeting Council Chambers, 7:00pm Thurs 11/03 NHA Trails Meeting 6th Street Deli, 6:30pm 11/06 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS Sun 11/08 ELECTION DAY - Please Vote Tue Fri 11/11 VETERANS DAY Wed 11/16 City Council Meeting Council Chambers, 7:00pm Thurs 11/17 NHA General Meeting American Legion, 7:00pm 11/24 THANKSGIVING DAY Thurs **December** Thurs 12/01 **NHA Trails Meeting** 6th Street Deli, 6:30pm Tue 12/06 **NHA Board Meeting** 3829 Valley View, 7:00pm Wed 12/07 PEARL HARBOR DAY Wed 12/07 City Council Meeting Council Chambers, 7:00pm Sat 12/10 CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL AND PARADE Sun 12/11 NHA Christmas Party American Legion, 5:30pm Sun 12/25 CHRISTMAS DAY 12/31 NEW YEARS EVE Sat