

# Tenant Focus

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## RETIREMENT ANNOUNCEMENT

By **JERI (JD) MOORE**

After fourteen years of service with SHRA, I am retiring and getting married. I want to thank all of you I have had the opportunity to serve over the years. I appreciate your friendship and goodwill.

Maya Angelou says "When we engage people who are different than we are, we inevitably learn something about grace, about generosity, courage, and ease. We are individuals with different thoughts, different emotions, different perspectives. We hold our separate ideals and dreams.

That is why we have so much to share, so much to learn from one another."

She beautifully expresses my view of an ideal business relationship, one in which everyone is treated with kindness, dignity and respect. I consider it a privilege to have served you and will always treasure the memories of my experiences with you.

Sincerely,  
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The new manager is Mike Ostrow.

## SHRA LOOKS AT SACRAMENTO SMOKING ORDINANCES

Sacramento is taking its fight against smoking to the approximately 42,000 multifamily rental units in the city. The Council approved a resolution encouraging property owners to designate at least 25% of their rental units for nonsmokers. Property owners and developers voluntarily setting aside 25% of their units for nonsmokers will be publicly recognized by the council. "Second-hand smoke is a toxic air contaminant that penetrates the walls of apartments ... " Councilman

Kevin McCarty said in urging the council to adopt the measure he introduced.

In accordance with a Resolution passed by the County of Sacramento on April 10, 2007, multi-unit housing with a minimum of 50% of existing units designated as non-smoking, including private patios and balconies, will receive a certificate and public recognition.

SHRA will be setting their policy soon with input from the RAB.

Find more about indoor smoking on the web:

<http://caonline.amcancersoc.org/cgi/content/full/57/6/367>

## ELECTIONS FEBRUARY 5, 2008 — GO VOTE!

While the RAB will not endorse any candidates in the upcoming election, we do encourage each of you to take the time to go vote for the candidate of

your choice. Your voice is important. Without a vote how can you complain? The measures are important too. The term limit change could keep up to 42

of our current state legislators in office for another term. If you feel that they are doing a good job, vote in favor, if you do not like the

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job they have done, you will want to vote against this measure. There are also four measures about Indian tribe gaming. If you go to southern California to play their games you will definitely want to vote for these. If you do not gamble or only play locally your vote should be based on revenues generated and who must pay them. In this case the

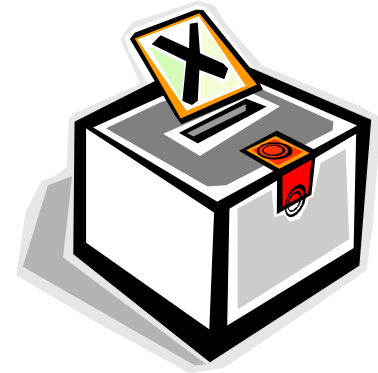
**ELECTIONS ARE  
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fees will be paid by the four 'big' tribes in southern California. The revenues will be paid to the states general fund. Everyone in California gets the benefits from their taxation agreement. Re-

member, elections are the American Birthright. Go to your poling place and vote on

the 5th of February. It is your duty as a citizen of the

United States of America. If you cannot go to your poling place on election day you may go to 7000 65th street #A and vote early. (65th expressway & Florin Rd)



### ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

What travels around the world, and stays in a corner?

A stamp

How long can a snail sleep without eating?

3 years

What animal produces cashmere?

The Goat

What is the average life span of a major league baseball?

7 pitches

What is the average lifespan of a dragonfly?

24 hours

How long is a goldfish's memory span?

3 seconds

What animal has the largest

eyes in the world?

The giant squid

What animal's call does not echo?

A duck's quack

What is unusual about the sentence – the quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog?

It uses every letter in the alphabet once.

How many people live to be 116 or older?

Only one person in 2 billion

What are the only primates that do not have pigment in the palm of their hands?

Humans

Cows can only be led in one direction on stairs, which is it, up or down?

Upstairs

How many cows does it take to supply the NFL with enough leather for a year's supply of footballs?

3,000 cows

What coin has 118 ridges round its edge?

A dime

The more there is, the less you see.

Darkness

Cats are feline; dogs are canine, what are sheep?

Ovine

What is a pig's gruntle?

Its snout

What goes up and down the stairs without moving?

The carpet

What is cat's vibrissae?

Its whiskers

## RAB COMPUTER LABS IN SACRAMENTO

The RAB operates several resident computer labs in the Sacramento area. These are self-sufficiency and/or self-independence programs with the goal of helping residents with school homework or providing more connectivity to the outside world through email and the internet.

### MIDTOWN MANOR

Capitol Terrace has a lab in apartment #101. It is open daily from 10 am to 9 pm.

### MARINA VISTA

There is a homework lab for

kids at the Media Center at 30 Seavey Circle which is open after school on both Tuesdays and Thursdays.

### MEADOW COMMONS

Colonial Heights features a learning center lab Monday, Wednesday, and Friday mornings from 10:00 to 12:00.

### RAB OFFICE

Our office has a lab that provides a variety services including meeting flyers, notices and copies for the resident committees. This newsletter is written, edited,

printed and folded in the RAB office computer lab.

“You’ve got mail”



## THE DOWNTOWN GROCERY BUS

We have contracted with United Christian center to provide a bus for shopping for the downtown properties. Many of those who live downtown do not have cars or any other viable

*The grocery bus continues to bring people together.*

transportation for shopping. Each month Carol takes one group to the Winco store by Elk Grove and Gale takes another group to the new super Wal\*Mart in

West Sacramento. Not only do we get our shopping done, but; the grocery bus continues to bring people together for socializing on the way there and back. The price is \$5.00 a person for each round trip. We plan for 75—90 minutes to shop in addition to travel time.

## ART PROGRAM FLORISHES

The Gibson Oaks ceramic art program continues to be an example of how a program should operate! If you were to spend Thursday evening from six to eight with them; you would hear the happy voices and see beautiful pieces of artwork.

After the Art Class, Mary takes the ones that are ready out to the kiln to be

fired. This is a process that take several hours, but; the results are beautiful. The dull grey and drab colors become shiny and bright.

Light refreshments are served along with the paint and clay. There is a \$6.00 fee but the price is well worth the time and results are yours to keep or give as gifts.



Contact us and / or  
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## SATELLITE TV VS CABLE SURVEY

The RAB has entered into discussion with the housing agency regarding the future of TV signal reception for the downtown properties. We have been asked to give a consensus report from the communities to further focus the talks.

We have listed the basic packages from three providers. Please take the time to mark your choice and return the survey to us.

### Comcast

Installation: \$25.99  
Basic analog signal: \$54.99, upgrade to 70 channels  
Basic digital signal: \$59.99, upgrade to 100 channels  
Signal box rental is \$6.00 of above rate.

### Direct TV

Installation: \$150.00  
Basic digital signal: \$34.00 upgrade to 100 channels  
High definition signal: \$49.00

### Dish Network

Installation: \$49.00  
Basic digital signal: \$29.00 upgrade to 100 channels  
High definition signal: \$49.00, (30 channels are HD)  
Box rental: \$5.00/mo Purchase: \$149.00

I prefer the following service:

- Comcast
- Direct TV
- Dish Network

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

The **Midtown Manor** grocery bus goes to Wal\*Mart February 4th, March 3rd, and April 4th.

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Sacramento **County elections** are February 5th. See your sample ballot for your precinct location.

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The **Executive Committee** meets each Wednesday at 11:00 am. Call ahead to be on the agenda.

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The **SHRA Commission** meets on the first and third Wednesdays of each month at 6:00 pm.

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The **Buena Vista** grocery bus goes to Winco February 7th, March 4th, and April 3rd.

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The **RAB Quarterly Meeting** will be held February 26, 2008 at 1:30 pm at the Comstock Apartments, 1725 K Street.

