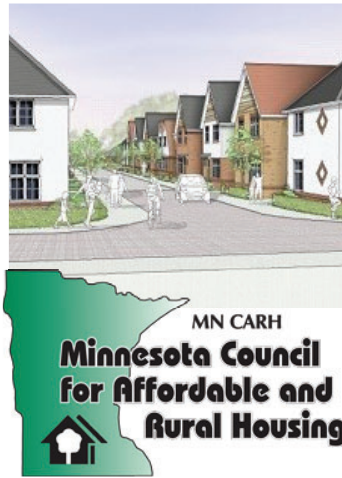


News -n- Notes

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WELCOME NEW & RETURNING MEMBERS!

- Eitreim Property Mgmt, LLC; Keith G. Eitreim
- Albert Lea HRA; Jeanne Leick
- Howard Johnson; Jennifer Johnson
- Horizon Health, Inc.; Amy Van Keuren

MN CARH MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS:

- ♦ MN CARH Annual Meeting
Reduced Conference Rate for Members
- ♦ Continuing Education Credits
- ♦ MN CARH News & Updates
- ♦ Invitation to CARH National Meetings
- ♦ Networking Opportunities
- ♦ Cost saving memberships to HD Supply, ONLINE Rental Exchange, Staples, Sherwin-Williams, and Wells-Fargo Insurance Services
- ♦ Access to National CARH organization resources and publications.



Hello from Your MN CARH President

by Rodney Hestekin

Greetings from your MN CARH Board of Directors. It seems like such a long time since we have been in touch. Our world, as we once knew it, has been turned upside down, our workloads have become more challenging and more change than we have ever known landed on our doorsteps without notice. Now for the good news! We have continued providing affordable housing to our residents and for the most part, can see a light at the end of the tunnel. During this difficult time your board has continued to meet electronically and continued to represent the needs of our members.

We did not have an annual conference last year due to COVID but we are excited to announce our 2021 conference will be held October 7, at Mystic Lake Casino and Hotel. If you stay the night on October 6th, please join us for appetizers and drinks from 6-8 p.m. Personally, I am looking forward to seeing all of you. Sometimes we don't realize the importance of some of our group relationships until they are removed. I am hopeful that our organization can and will come back even stronger than we were before the pandemic. Look for conference details here in this newsletter.

Last fall, Allison Peterson left her position as our Executive Director. Please join me in saying goodbye to Allison and thanking her for her work with our organization. Allison was a delight to work with and we will miss her.

During this time of transition, we were able to hire a new Executive Director. Wendy Hazzard comes to us with a good deal of experience in organizational leadership and is working hard to provide information and service to our members. Welcome Wendy. I have asked Wendy to tell you all a little bit about herself, so please check out her column in the newsletter. Hopefully you will have a chance to meet her at the annual conference.

Looking forward to seeing you at the conference, sharing our stories of the last year and renewing friendships.

Rodney Hestekin, President

"During this difficult time your board has continued to meet electronically and continued to represent the needs of our members."

Go to mncarh.com to download our membership application. Thank you for your continued support of MN CARH, and we hope to see you in 2021!

2021 Conference

As part of my preparation for the 2021 conference, I want to make sure the voice of our membership is heard. I hope each of you will think of one or more questions that I can share in advance with our speakers.

Please send questions to:
mncarh@gmail.com

Subject Line:
2021 Conference
Questions



Greetings from your NEW Executive Director

by Wendy Hazzard

Hello members and affiliates!

I am so excited to be part of MN CARH. I want to first thank Allison for the easy transition into this important position and her keen training abilities. My background is primarily in business development, so I come to MN CARH with a huge desire to get to know you and what is important in your daily interactions with rural housing. What is important to you, is important to our board. Please call or send me an email anytime, and allow us to help you with resources, information, training, and networking across CARH.

I hope all of you will be able to attend this year's conference in October. We have included Mark English of E & A Team, RD training, REAC and CARH representatives from Washington, D.C., Fair Housing, and safety and efficiency tips.

I'm excited to meet you and strengthening our networking with affordable and rural housing.

Wendy Hazzard



MN CARH'S 2021 Conference

SAVE THE DATE!

Essentials for Affordable Housing Needs of Rural Minnesota

Featuring Keynote Speaker, Mark English of E & A Team, Inc.,
CARH National, REAC and more!

October 7th, 2021 7:30 AM to 4:30 PM
Registration/Breakfast at 7:30 AM - Conference Begins at 8:30 AM
Mystic Lake Casino and Hotel, Prior Lake, MN

A great conference for owners, managers, and on-site staff!

Breakfast & Lunch Provided - Vendors - Prize Drawings!

We also invite you to join us the evening of October 6th
for Appetizers, Drinks and Prizes 6 - 8 PM
We wanted you to know first so you can mark these dates on your calendar.
Look for mailing or website registration materials early July 2021!

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HD National Account Manager Attending MN CARH 2021 Conference

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MN CARH is proud to announce that HD Supply, a CARH preferred vendor, has invited National Account Manager, Tom Greathouse to our 2021 conference! CARH, who just recently renewed their agreement with long-time Preferred Buyer, HD Supply, encourages all members to view HD Supply when purchasing all of their maintenance and renovation supplies. Some of the benefits of using HD Supply include:

- Free next day delivery, on most orders to most areas.
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- Online Invoice Gateway for electronic invoicing. This allows you to see any invoice at any time.
- Free bin boxes and labels upon request for ease in ordering and shop organization.

Field Account and Inside Sales Representatives will partner with CARH members along with HD Supply's Property Improvement Team and the dedicated National Account Manager, Tom Greathouse, to assist in our growth and development. If you have not yet opened an account with HD Supply, or if you need to ensure your current account is connected to CARH's master account, contact Tom Greathouse, National Account Representative at HD Supply at 678-977-1131 or tom.greathouse@hdsupply.com.

Please contact CARH at 703-837-9001 or carh@carh.org with any questions on all CARH Preferred Buyer programs.

CARH MEMBERS:

Remember to visit www.carh.org where you'll find the "Resources" and "Members ONLY" sections, "Helpful Links" and "Forms and Other Best Practices."

These sections of the website contain valuable information that CARH provides exclusively for their members!

BECOME A MN CARH MEMBER TODAY!

By choosing to become a member of Minnesota's Council for Affordable & Rural Housing (MN CARH) you are gaining access to both state and national representation. For over 25 years, the Council for Affordable & Rural Housing (CARH) has served as the nation's leading advocate for participants in the affordable rural housing profession including: owners, developers, managers, non-profits, housing authorities, accountants, bankers, and vendors to the industry. There is no other association that solely represents the needs of the rural housing industry.

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Thank you for your continued support of MN CARH, and we hope to see you in 2021!

MN CARH 2021

CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

October 7th, 2021

**Mystic Lake Casino and Hotel
7:30 am Register & Breakfast
8:30 am Conference Begins**

**PRIZES AND GIFT CARDS!
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\$125 for non-members

**Hear the latest from Colleen
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