

## **Letter from the MHOAA President**

October 2008

### *MHOAA Annual Meeting*

We would like to thank CFED (Corporation for Enterprise Development) for providing financial support and APAC (All Park Alliance for Change) for being the “host state” for the annual meeting and for all their hard work and planning that went into this very special event. Next year we are looking into a possible convention/annual meeting on the west coast.

For the first time, CFED held it’s annual Innovations in Manufactured Homes (I’M HOME) retreat on October 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> in conjunction with the annual meeting of the Manufactured Home Owners Association of America held on October 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> in Minneapolis/St. Paul, Minnesota. There were over 90 partners, homeowners, advocates and nonprofit organizations working together to preserve manufactured home communities and change public policy attending the I’m Home Retreat.

The Manufactured Homeowners Association of America had over 100 homeowners and advocates attending this year’s annual meeting from 25 states, including representatives from 19 different state homeowner associations. There were many work shops available and a lot of networking going on.

For the past three years one of our goals as been to make connections with those who deal with manufactured housing issues on many levels. We have had a banner year in this respect.

We are pleased to welcome many new and returning state homeowner association members. As you know from your state organizations, keeping membership up is sometimes quite difficult. The same is true of our national association and at the risk of repeating myself, we welcome you.

The MHOAA Board of Directors has, for the first time in many years, all of the 11 board seats filled. I want to especially thank Terry Nelson and Tim Sheahan who worked hard as our nominating committee this year.

We want to thank all of you who took the time to attend the MHOAA convention and to make it such a special event. Thank you again to CFED and APAC for their ongoing support.

Thank You

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