## **Midstates Housemovers Association**

## President's Newsletter

Hello all members,

Hope this letter finds you well and your families safe in these challenging times.

This year has been a challenging one but for most movers a challenge is what we wake up for everyday we go to work!

I have found that this industry is a select few that take a challenge like it's just another bump in the road.

Working in this industry has been very rewarding in so many ways.

I have learned so much from fellow movers and yard tours over the years so I thank all of you for those opportunities.

Best wishes for a great end to a very difficult year and stay safe and healthy. Thanks.

Your President, Ken Shanahan Egge Movers, LLC

## Vice-President's Newsletter

What a challenging time we are all living in right now. I know we as house movers often welcome challenges, but I am quite sure we all just want to put behind us the challenges Covid-19 is putting us through. I myself have had the added stress of our shop and offices near the epicenter of the riots after the death of George Floyd. During that time, I was grateful for the outpouring of support of friends, family and many members of the Midstates Housemovers Association. Every mover in my immediate area offered to help move our equipment out of harms way. This all made me realize the importance of being a member of Midstates Housemovers Association and it goes beyond learning or help on a job, but our members will help out in times of need. Thank you to all of you that reached out to me. I am truly grateful.

All of us on the board know that all of you are wanting to have our annual conference and I assure you we want to have it just as much as all of you do. We are continuing to plan for one, unfortunately it is hard to put a date to when it will happen. But when it happens and being one of the ones hosting a yard tour, I am going to do my best one making it one of the best Midstates Housemovers conferences ever. I would really like to hear feedback and ideas from members. I know not all of you are on Facebook so if you have pictures of a move or some news you would like posted to the Midstates Housemovers Facebook page, please feel free to reach out to me.

I hope you and your families are healthy and well.

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## Secretary/Treasurer's Newsletter

Time passes by so quickly when our schedules are full and active. This year has been an extreme. After months of planning, we were forced to cancel the 2020 conference. We were so close to hosting an event that would have been spectacular. Instead, I had the duty of notifying attendees that we couldn't meet and then sending conference refunds back to all the companies that had dutifully sent them in ahead of time.

Even though we couldn't enjoy the time together, we maintained everyone's membership in this great organization. We have continued to try and keep the organization flowing like usual. The membership has been updated on our website, www.midstateshousemoversassociation.org. We have our Facebook page that has updates continually as well as photos and postings from members and observers. We must stay connected one way or another. We have 44 member companies this year. I am including a copy of our current finances and previous year's minutes, as I usually make sure everyone has access to this at our annual conference.

Movers and their families across the continent have had challenges. In some areas work came to a standstill while in others it's booming. One thing that stays constant is finding a way to stay safe and virus free. My heart goes out to the many people who have had to suffer through this virus. I feel fortunate that my husband and I have been spared "so far". Others have not been so lucky. The board will continue to try and organize something for next year, not knowing when or how for sure yet. Believe me, when we get the green light you all will be hearing from me.

Please stay in touch with us. We are looking forward to the day when all of us can meet again.

Best wishes and take care, Sue Morrow housemvr@nntc.net 402-632-4555