

# Glen Ellen Forum



Many Voices. One Community.

Monday, November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
Garden Court Cafe  
7:00pm

## MINUTES

Web [glenellen.org](http://glenellen.org), Email [forum@glenellen.org](mailto:forum@glenellen.org), Facebook Glen Ellen Forum  
We are funded solely by your generous donations.  
Next Meeting Mon, December 3rd at 7pm

### ❖ SPEAKERS

- Denise Wilbanks – Vintage House discussed amazing ride service **LIMO** for seniors through the Vintage House. The Free **Thanksgiving** Dinner will be held on **Thanksgiving** Day, November 22, at the **Sonoma Veterans** Memorial Hall. Doors open at 3:00pm.

**Free Rides for Seniors** - call **707.996.0311 x308** or email [rides@vintagehouse.org](mailto:rides@vintagehouse.org)  
The Vintage House Senior Transportation Program, LIMO (Local Independent Mobility Options), is designed to provide seniors 60 years and older who can no longer drive with FREE door-to-door rides for *non-medical purposes*. Rides are available within Sonoma Valley Monday – Friday, 9am to 4pm (excluding holidays). Typical destinations include grocery shopping, hair dresser, post office, banks, library, Farmers Market and of course Vintage House! A notice of Five (5) working days is required to reserve your ride. *For medical appointments please call FISH at 707.996.0111.*

### ❖ COMMITTEE UPDATES

- TRAFFIC & SAFETY - Working on the Warm Springs neighborhood.
- ACE - Arthur distributes report.
- SDC - KSVY re Transition 11/9 11-2, Tracy spoke re the upcoming election, they are in a holding pattern through the transition, County and State are talking but movement is slow.
- PROJECTS - Talked about the Creek Cleanup.
- ENGAGEMENT - Talked about Annual Community Day & Community Free Meal with VOMW 12/9/18.
- STEERING COMMITTEE - Calendar & Budget, Grant money NEED Fundraising ideas/committee, communications committee, bylaws committee, board meeting review. There is a new forum website domain and email (see above).

❖ DISCUSSION

- Neighbor from Warm Springs Road came by to ask the Forum if there had been an official audit of the Glen Ellen Fire Department response to the October 2017 wildfires. The question of perhaps a thorough written evaluation of what happened would produce recommendations that would improve future responses. Brian Burke's editorial in the Kenwood Press in regards to this accounting was discussed. Also upcoming funding on the ballot to support the fire department was also discussed. Nick Brown offered some information of what was discussed in the months following about what was and wasn't done. There was not a conclusion on this item.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Warm Springs neighbor Jim Burch told a story of a recent fall in which he used the voice activated Alexa to call the local fire department. A live person answered the phone and sent help right over!

ATTENDEES

Leslie Vaughn  
Melissa Dowling  
Laurie Pile  
Nick Brown  
Eeva Nattinen  
Bebe Davis  
Poppy Darby

Denise Wilbanks  
Marge Everidge  
Jim Shere  
Larry Davis  
Christine Chen  
Sheryee McCormick

Jay Gamel  
Archie Horton  
Joyce Clover  
Steven Raffaini  
Joe Lindquist  
Robert Howard

(Sign-in sheet did not get passed completely around the room).