



# California Parliamentarian

February 2022



## President's Post

Sally F. LaMacchia, PRP

I began writing this column on Wednesday, October 27, 2021, for a February 2022 issue of the *California Parliamentarian* because I tend towards too soon or too late, given the choice. This was too soon for a February 2022 article but still, better than too late. With my first Annual Meeting over as president, I began writing to relax. Anyway, I thought I might share the things I've thought about and experienced since Oct 2021 when I assumed this office by acclimation.

The word "acclimation" is listed twice in the RONR 12<sup>th</sup> ed. In the index, page 651, we see where "election by unanimous consent", 46:40 and then, voice vote, "xxx". Section 46:40 is how this officer came to preside over the California State Association of Parliamentarians in October 2021. To wit: "If only one person is nominated and the bylaws do not require that a ballot vote be taken, the chair, after ensuring that, in fact, no members present wish to make further nominations, simply declares that the nominee is elected, thus effectuating the election by unanimous consent, or "acclimation." § 46:40

In 2021, CSAP celebrated its 74<sup>th</sup> year as a deliberative assembly. For the second time in its history and for the second year in a row CSAP held a virtual Annual Meeting on Zoom. My term as state officer began at a decidedly transitional time.

CSAP's 75<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting in 2022 will also be a virtual event on Zoom. This year is also the election of CSAP officers. **Could that be you?**

The COVID pandemic, the consequential shift in norms and expectations, the emergence of Zoom, and the strength of CSAP members has opened new doors to the CSAP President. The President can attend regular Unit and Area meetings as an invited guest, or simply as a CSAP member and student of parliamentary procedure. The President is chosen by CSAP members to represent CSAP outside of California but also to bring together parliamentarians of California and members of this Association. Meeting technology like Zoom offers another way for leaders to meet present day challenges of leadership. This officer has attended multiple Unit meetings within and beyond our California borders, thanks to Zoom. And with events like ZOOM Hall, technology is a chance for CSAP members to engage each other and to influence directions and outcomes between Annual Meetings.

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The CSAP president serves a two-year term. That's four semesters, a condensed education, effective, invaluable, supported, and affordable. A gift. Service to self while in service to the assembly. Service to the assembly expires; gift to self spans a lifetime. I am pleased that in the last year of my term as Association president, CSAP will celebrate 75 years of its existence as an exemplary and honorable and generous assembly of individuals.

Perhaps you, or someone you know, will be one in the next fortunate group of persons to benefit through service to CSAP in a leadership role. *If you are an NAP member you can be a CSAP officer and Board member.* But why would I want to do that, you ask? Well, for starters, reread the paragraph just before this one.

Join the CSAP leadership team now! Begin your own journey of personal discovery and immeasurable benefit to both you and CSAP. This is a terrific organization whose core mission is pursuit of the democratic process through teaching and demonstrating applied parliamentary procedure. My affection for NAP and CSAP has only grown over the years. I hope several of you reading these words will step into CSAP leadership in 2022. I look forward to welcoming you!

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## CSAP Calendar 2022 Meetings

### **Northern Area**

March 5, 2022  
July 9, 2022  
November 5, 2022

### **Southern Area**

Saturday, February 12, 2022  
July 9, 2022  
November 12, 2022

### **CSAP Annual Meeting**

**August 12-14, 2022**

**Date to be determined**

NAP's 2022  
Training Conference  
September 8-10, 2022  
Albuquerque, NM

*Go to the website  
[californiaparliamentarians.org/events/](http://californiaparliamentarians.org/events/)  
for more dates*

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## **Northern Area Report**

David Mezzera, PRP  
Area Director

The motto for this year's term of Northern Area is: "There is no EDUCATION without U!" The three area meetings this year will concentrate on some new and different EDUCATION opportunities for all of "U". The value of area meetings is to provide learning experiences for MALs and unit members beyond the units' educational programs. For your calendars, the three area meetings will be on March 5, July 9 and November 5. Stay tuned for the calls to the meetings to be sent via MailChimp. Each meeting begins at 10:00am and there will be no fee to attend. Hope you all can attend. The presenters will all be from outside Northern Area so you will have access to the knowledge and teaching of renowned NAP members from other states and from Southern California.

Northern Area is proud to have a fine corps of officers and committee chairs to help plan the area meetings and keep area members informed. If you need any information or have any ideas to pass along to the cadre, feel free to contact ==>

David Mezzera, PRP (Director)  
S. David Shapiro, PZRP (Assistant Director)  
Rose Gilardi (Secretary)  
Rick Sydor, RP-R (Treasurer)  
Maria Trujillo-Tough RP (Communications)  
Esther Heller, PRP (Tech)

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### Southern Area Report

Gail Lover, PRP  
Area Director

*I find the great thing in this world is not so much where we stand, as in what direction we are moving...*

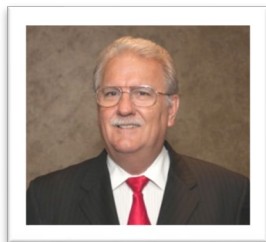
Oliver Wendell Holmes

Greetings One and All!

Isn't technology wonderful? The Zoom® platform made this possible!

It was great to see so many familiar faces and a few new appearances at this recent meeting! I am pleased to report that our attendance (28 including guests) at this past meeting excelled those of the past meetings, including the CALL of November 2021!

The Southern Area had its 2<sup>nd</sup> CALL meeting under my administration on February 12, 2022, with all Board Officers present: Greg Russell – Assistant Director (Zoom Master), Ronald Arreujo – Treasurer, Georgiann Henry – Secretary and Lovene Knight – Parliamentarian. A special thanks to our other significant committee persons: Evayon Farnum – Registrar, Shirley Vanderbeck – Problem Clinic and Robert Duitsman – Audit. A zestful, highly effectual, and passionate team! **Thank you!**



We were honored to have as our presenter for the month of February, Michael "Mike" Peck, PRP, our current District 8 Director to bring us our lesson. Mike has an impressive history of public and private service in several states throughout the U. S. which includes parliamentary experience with the National Association of Parliamentarians® (NAP) since 1978 and American Institute of Parliamentarians® (AIP) since 1975. Working in the real estate world for years and owning his own business, Mike has the upper hand in engaging his audience. His lesson was relatable and interactive. **Thank you again, Mike!**

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## The Current Southern Area Parliamentarian Units of CSAP and Presiding Officers:

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<b>COMMUNICATE</b>	<b>CONTACT</b>	<b>CONVEY</b>

As of last count, there are 145 members in the Southern Area with new members, provisionals, and the recruitment of MAL's (Member-at-Large) being added monthly. Thanks to the efforts of our current CSAP President Sally LaMacchia PRP, the calendars and rosters are constantly being updated so that ALL CSAP memberships have exclusive knowledge of the State and National activities.

Unit Presidents are encouraged to submit information of their membership, workshops, lessons, and special events on a regular basis. Members are encouraged to visit the CSAP website (<https://www.parliamentarians.org/>) for current activities of California State and National.

Members are also encouraged to keep their contact information updated by contacting the CSAP President or the Southern Area Director. With these movements in play, my hope is to be an effective asset as Director to the Units in the Southern Area by engaging new members and promoting parliamentary procedures to all types of genres, clubs and organizations.

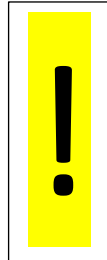
All meeting unless otherwise listed, will be held via the Zoom® platform. Our next Southern Area meetings are scheduled for July 9, 2022, and November 5, 2022. Proposed bylaw amendments will be presented.

Feel free to contact me: Gail E. Lover PRP – Southern Area Director  
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## Don't Interrupt!

If you want to say your piece  
Don't interrupt.  
If you want to feel at ease  
Don't interrupt.  
If you want to think it matters  
To avoid yea, most combaters  
This may seem abrupt but *please*,  
Don't interrupt!



*Anonymous*

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### Nominating Committee Seeking Candidates for CSAP Statewide Office

This being an even numbered year, CSAP will be holding officer elections at the Annual Meeting in August. The officers to be elected are President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. CSAP Bylaws **Article VI Officers, Section 3 Eligibility for Office** state the requirements as follows:

*B. To be eligible for the office of President or Vice-president, a member shall have been in good standing for the past three years and shall be a Registered or Professional Registered member of NAP or have served as an elected officer of CSAP during at least one of the past three years.*

*C. To be eligible for the office of Secretary or Treasurer, a member shall have been in good standing for the past two years.*

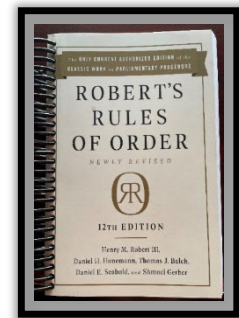
Each of these positions is a two-year term. The current President and Vice President may not succeed themselves, but the Secretary and Treasurer may. The Nominating Committee will be conferring with the current officers to find out their interests and suggestions. Since the Committee doesn't know everyone in CSAP, we are also asking for recommendations from our membership. Those who wish to have a candidate considered for selection by the Nominating Committee should contact Jim Stewart, <jhstew@earthlink.net> by March 18. Self-nomination is allowed.

Jim Stewart, PRP, Chair, Ron Arruejo, Scott Burns PRP, Esther A Heller, PRP

**“A Secretary’s Say”**

For this issue of the CP, RONR takes center stage for  
**Meet The Secretaries!**

The Executive Secretary, the Financial Secretary,  
and the Pro Tem Secretary.  
Recording Secretary 47:32 and Corresponding Secretary 47:37



**Executive** § 47:43-45

Often “a salaried officer who devotes full time to the position of administrative officer and general manager.”

Usually, “acts under the immediate direction of the board” and “hires, fires, and determines the salaries of other staff members” with approval.

“Relationship to the president”. Sometimes, “executive and managerial functions ... exercised by the president” are “entirely split off and vested in the executive secretary.”

**Financial** § 47:32, 34, 38 and 39

“An officer whose usual duties are to bill members for their dues and to receive payment of them, to maintain a ledger of each member’s account, and to turn over to the treasurer and obtain her receipt for monies received.” **Query: *In what kind of organization is a financial secretary most likely to be found?***

**Pro Tem** § 47:33 and 34

“In the absence of the secretary, a secretary protem must be elected; the corresponding, financial, or executive secretary ... is not an automatic replacement.”

**“Records of the secretary”** § 47:35 and 36

When written board or committee reports are received, “the secretary records on them the date they were received and what further action was taken on them and preserves them among her records.” There reports are automatically “placed on file” – no motion is needed.

Have you served your organization as secretary?  
Do you have memories, experiences, tips, and a point of view to share?  
If so, the CP Staff would appreciate hearing and sharing your stories!  
[Contact us by email to sally@losfl.com](mailto:sally@losfl.com)

All CP articles focused on an individual are previewed and approved by that individual prior to publication.

CP Staff Writer

## CA Channel Islands Parliamentarians

AKA: Zeta Chi

The Unit is Channel Islands Parliamentarians, or CIP, also known as Zeta Chi. Its 1969 birthplace and current meeting location is the beautiful City of San Buenaventura, setting is the warm, welcoming, and spacious meeting room of our benefactors, the Ventura Elks Club. Sandra Sanders was at Zeta Chi's first chartered meeting in 1969. Fast forward 53 years to 2022. Sandra Sanders is still a vital member of the Unit, and I am honored to serve as current President of Channel Islands Parliamentarians.

Monthly Unit meetings in 2021 were all held virtually via Zoom. However, we gathered at the Ventura Elks for an in-person Holiday Celebration on December 20. During that event, a special meeting was held to address specific, important business. The entire experience was wonderful, from the transaction of business to the singing of Christmas carols based on titles pulled from a bright red cap with white, fluffy trim.



Unit lessons in 2021 focused primarily on RONRIB with our eyes toward a proctored NAP Membership examination in January. We are pleased to say that 5 provisional members sat for an exam proctored by Gerry Olsen, PRP and yours truly on January 10, at the Ventura Elks Club. Each test taker had a private table! 😊 CIP has committed to offering two proctored NAP Membership Exam opportunities in Ventura in 2022.

Going forward, CIP will alternate between virtual and in person meetings. Unit Bylaws were recently amended again, in keeping with these strange times. We look forward to word from CSAP Parliamentarian Robert Duitsman that our new document is adequate to the task.

Finally, this President is grateful for every Unit member. Each a contributor whose membership enriches CIP. Spending time together in the study of parliamentary procedure with members of my Unit, CSAP members, guests, and fans of parliamentary procedure is a gift. *Thank you all. We in San Buenaventura hope to see you soon at a CIP meeting or NAP Membership Exam opportunity!*

*Sally F. LaMacchia, PRP  
President, Channel Islands Parliamentarians*



## Coastal Counties Parliamentarians

Unit Activities

February 12, 2022

Coastal Counties Parliamentarians meet 10 times a year (dark July and August). Several meetings, including that of February 2, were held via Zoom. We have expanded our membership and are now 17 strong. The unit has begun discussing recruitment and marketing strategies.



With the membership's approval, our unit roster was shared with Sally LaMacchia so that all members will be informed of activities beyond the unit via MailChimp.

Updated unit information was sent to Sally LaMacchia for correction to the CSAP website.

Four members took the NAP exam in January, and all passed. This brings our membership to 9 Primary (those who have taken and passed the NAP exam), 1 affiliate and 7 provisional.

Each meeting features a lesson following the NAP Membership Study Guide – chapter 10 will be discussed at the March meeting, Chapter 11 in April, then we will go back to the beginning. There is always something to learn.

We continue to remain aware of current health mandates and personal preferences, meeting in person or via Zoom as the membership desires. We adjust as needed.

CCP is based in Ventura and holds members from near and far. Everyone is welcome. Interested? Please contact me at [slgumby@msn.com](mailto:slgumby@msn.com).

Shirley Lorraine

President, Coastal Counties Parliamentarians

**Committee's Corner**



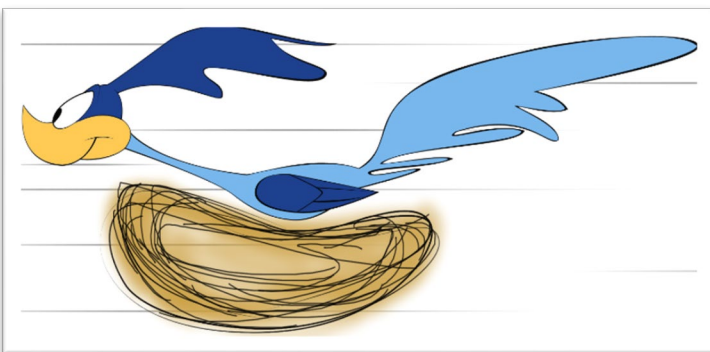
Committees make the grass grow, the rain fall, the sunshine, and the sky turn blue. Well, not quite, but *almost!* It could be tiresome to hear that “committees are the backbone of any organization”! That it is true is beside the point. The point is, however, that committee work is some of the most fulfilling work you can do for yourself and for your organization. In this issue of the *CP* we are happy to announce new members to CSAP’s standing committees, and we could not be happier! Please say a warm hello and offer your support to the following brave and generous souls, CSAP’s new committee members:

**Patti Titus and Jay Jarvis**  
Communications Committee

**Georgiann Henry and Joan Harmon**  
Governing Documents Committee

Opportunities remain, and the biggest beneficiary is *you*. Contact President LaMacchia or any member of the board today and further your parliamentary expertise for the benefit of this terrific Association.

And don’t forget – CSAP’s Nominating Committee is on the lookout for leadership candidates! See Director Esther Heller’s article in this issue!



**PLAN TO DROP IN!**  
**- ZOOM HALL -**  
**FRIDAY MARCH 18, 2022**

For your scheduling convenience there are

**2 Sessions**

**12 to 1:00 PM - 7 to 8:00 PM**

A MailChimp email that includes the Zoom link will be sent to all CSAP MailChimp subscribers on Monday, March 14<sup>th</sup>!

## Walk with Me Through the new NP!

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By CP Staff Writer

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### Welcome to incoming CP Editor Rosalie H. Stroman, PRP

CSAP's TennieBee Hall is immediate past NP Editor and current Assistant Editor! TennieBee's contributions to NAP and CSAP are innumerable and invaluable. Thank you, TennieBee!

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### Message from NAP President Wanda M. Sims, PRP

"We will leverage technology to serve us in the delivery of not only educational programming, but also in credentialing of our member, new and continuing."

Page 5-7

### Steven J. Bolin, PRP on Defusing Conflicting Agendas

"Conflict on the order of business is greatly reduced by maintaining consistency across meetings and ... by allocating time for dealing with minutes, reports, and maintaining the rights of members to introduce new business."

"Continued construction of the agenda consists of taking the order of business and adding any series of special orders or general orders that have been made for the meeting."

Page 8-11

### C.J. Mills, PRP and Jonathan M. Jacobs PRPR CPP on Willing But Unable: Incapacity and the Incumbent

"The incapacity of the president is an unexpected and unfortunate situation. [] Fortunately, unless the bylaws state otherwise, *RONR* (12<sup>th</sup> ed.) provides relatively straight forward parliamentary guidance to organizations on how to address the effects of incapacity on the office of the president."

Page 12-13

### Daniel Fitzpatrick, PRP, It Depends

"In conclusion we must be on guard that before motion processing begins, we must first ask ourselves it is a Privileged Motion or an Incidental Main Motion .... the answer will always be ... it depends." (Check out the helpful motion chart by Mr. Fitzpatrick on page 13!)

Page 14-16

**John R. Berg, PRP, Expediting Meetings**

“It is not necessary to ... announce that a quorum is present. The chair has the responsibility to not call the meeting to order unless a quorum is present.”

“The minutes need not record that a quorum was present.”

“Many votes on routine, non-controversial motions can be taken by unanimous consent [].”  
RONR (12<sup>th</sup> ed.) 44:58-60

*Includes an excellent discussion on the benefits of voting cards, and more!*

Page 17 and 24

**Dave Mezzera, PRP, CSAP Past President and current Northern Area Director  
*never disappoints* and Zip Through this Quiz! Is no exception!**

This parliamentarian guessed wrong ... but the correct answer was only one step ahead! FUN, informative, interesting, and pleasing. Enjoy!

Page 18-21

**NP Questions & Answers with Ann Homer, PRP, Rachel Glanstein, PRP, Azella Collins, PRP, Timothy Wynn, PRP**

- #1 What is a courtesy resolution?
- #2 After the affirmative vote was taken a member moved to adjourn. [] The chair then quickly announced that the assembly was adjourned. Was this correct?
- #3 How can we be sure standards are high, but the meeting is friendly and efficient?
- #4 We have learned that ... the delegates did not vote in the manner desired by the unit. []  
– what can we do in the future regarding voting?

**In memory of Marjorie Vogel  
Congratulations to PLC of Richmond, VI**

On page 22 is a touching gesture to honor late Kansas member and past KSAP President Marjorie Vogel, 1920-2020. On page 23 we learn that the PLC (Parliamentary Law Club) of Richmond Virginia celebrated 70 years of distinguished leadership in 2021.

The remainder of this volume is devoted to the introduction of NAP leaders, followed by a listing of new NAP members and newly credentialed members, as well as Silent Gavel. CSAP Patrice King is listed as a new RP. ***Congratulations Patrice King!***

## An Ode to Gerry

*In Honor of Gerry Olsen, PRP*

There once was a parliamentarian  
A gentleman octogenarian  
Known to portray  
The man in his day  
Considered by some a contrarian.

I've met only one, but of course  
The other our written resource  
Both offer ways  
To move through the maze  
Persuasion perfected, not force.

And really the challenge is this:  
Am I willing to live with a miss?  
Or must I prevail  
Since I hit the nail  
And others display a raised fist?

Parli procedure demands  
That practitioners loosen their bands  
And settle their minds  
Into finding new kinds  
And methods for calling All Hands.

It's an honorable passion for sure  
One I am blessed to endure  
And the octogenarian  
A Big Inspiration  
Still lights our path, fair and sure.

By Sally LaMacchia



## Reflection, Renewal, Reinvention

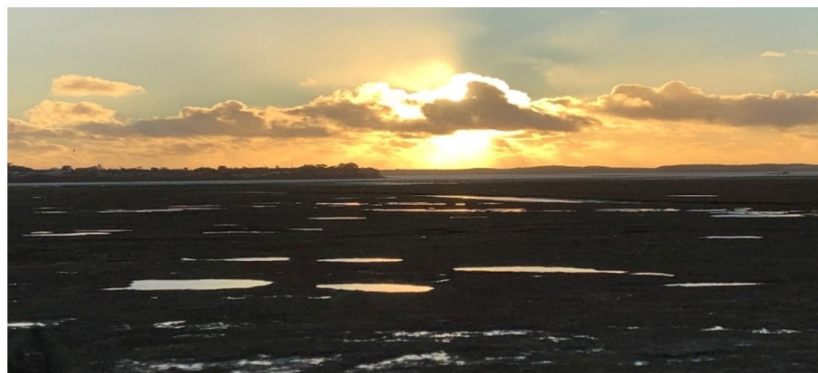
Pondering the past, committing to the future, adapting in the present. This is our challenge, and the theme for CSAP's 75th Annual Meeting in 2022.

It has been quite the ride these last few years. Because of the pandemic, past CSAP President Jim Stewart chaired CSAP's first virtual Annual Meeting in 2020. Before and after Jim's debut, virtual meetings began to appear across the CSAP horizon.

We are a diverse group of people and people are amazing. We are a somewhat loose collection of human feelings, different points of view, unique perspectives, various opinions, personal favorites. And we remain together in this transitional time to support one another and our Association by finding ways to carry on the mission of NAP.

Learning, sharing, doing, and observance of parliamentary procedure within deliberative assemblies is a sure path towards personal growth, towards hearing and seeing not just others but "others", and you know who "they" are; they look, sound, think, believe so differently!

Yes, them! That diverse group is CSAP! Ten years in, this member remains truly inspired. Our mission in CSAP and as students of parliamentary procedure is no less than the mission of teaching – by example – respect for all of Humanity. Now is a perfect time for CSAP members to reflect, renew, and reinvent a bright, sustainable future. Let's Do This!



## A Look Back

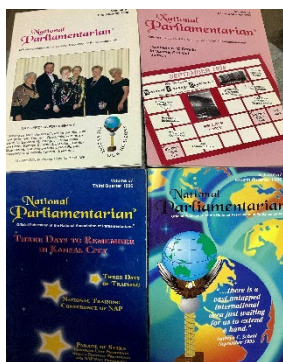
Some organizations include a historian in their leadership team line-up. The historian's duties vary but it all has to do with preserving milestones and memories for the encouragement of future members. Prior to 2020, "Historian" was listed in CSAP Bylaws under "Article X - Standing Committees". At the Annual Meeting in 2020, members approved a change that eliminated this committee.

However, this *CP* staff writer is the delighted and fortunate recipient of a treasure trove of the "National Parliamentarian" going back to the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter of 1994, now over twenty-seven years ago. Thus, we will take "A Look Back" with each issue of the *CP*. In this issue, please enjoy milestones, memories, and anecdotes from 1995, 1996, and 1997.



### 1995

Third Quarter *NP*, Loretta Simonson was NAP President and Marilyn Collins (preceded by Betty Uber) was President of CSAP. Steve Glanstein wrote, "In 1994, approximately fifty (yes, 50!) community associations required my services as a parliamentarian." James Slaughter wrote, "How can a parliamentarian fulfill his duties [in certain situations] without improperly practicing law?" On page 28 a story on "the NAP tour to London" is captioned "NAP Members Enjoy London & Parliament".



### 1996

Second Quarter *NP*, Kathryn C. Scheld was NAP President and Charles Woolsey was President of CSAP. The National Training Conference (NTC) was held in Kansas City, MO. Nancy Sylvester wrote an article called, 'De-mystifying' the Professional Qualifying Course". In her "Burn the Mortgage" essay, we learn from Lorraine Buckley that, "From NAP's founding in 1930 to 1967 the headquarters office was in the home of the person who was the executive/headquarters secretary at the time."

1997



Second Quarter *NP*, Kathryn C. Scheld was NAP President and James M. Loya was President of CSAP. Dot Buell's "Burn the Mortgage" article is a status report that includes this: "California, Colorado, Florida and Texas have donated enough to entitle them rooms." Dot encourages others to "join these states with the privilege of having a room dedicated to your state with a plaque at the door" because "there are not many rooms at NAP Headquarters." There is a CALL to Convention in San Diego, Sept 28 – Oct 1, where members could choose from 36 workshops. And there is an interview with NAP member Valerie Prentice, the first graduate of the NAP and University of Wisconsin's independent learning course, Introduction to parliamentary Procedure: Dynamics of Leadership".

Thank you for spending this time looking back. Tune in next time for [A Look Back](#) at 1998, 1999, and 2000.

*CP Staff Writer*

**M.H.I.P.  
(Membership Has Its Privileges)  
David Mezzera, PRP  
(Former CSAP President)**

As you continue perusing the 3rd edition of "Roberts Rules of Order Newly Revised *In Brief*," - you are doing this anyway, aren't you? - you should be able to discover a variety of locations that enumerate certain rights and privileges that are afforded to members of an organization.

Here's your current challenge: From the following list, pull out those items that are, in fact, privileges, roles and rights of membership. Compare your list with the terms at the bottom of this article. Reference pages will be given from *RONR In Brief* 3rd edition (RIB) that you can check out to learn even more about these privileges - and be sure to look into the items on this list that are not membership privileges.



M.H.I.P. Rights - yes or no?

- A. The right to receive notices about pending meetings.
- B. The right to attend meetings of your organization.
- C. The right to submit a proxy at an ordinary meeting of your group.
- D. The right to add items to a meeting's agenda.
- E. The right to make main motions to introduce business.
- F. The right to "second" a motion.
- G. The right to debate during discussion on a motion.
- H. The right to filibuster or speak indefinitely during a meeting.
- I. The right to call out "Question" to stop debate during a meeting.
- J. The right to vote on any matter before the group.
- K. The right to Raise a Question of Privilege.
- L. The right to amend motions to try to improve them.
- M. The right to run for an office in your organization.
- N. The right to Table a motion to defeat it in an easy manner.



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Did you “rub your chin” thinking about the correct answers and pondering what privileges and rights you have - or don't have? The following four are not privileges or rights afforded to members of an organization. RIB pages are given to allow you to read more in depth about these and why they are not allowed and not afforded to members as rights during a meeting.

**C.** Submitting a proxy at an ordinary meeting of your group is covered on RIB page 118 in Chapter 13 (Frequently Asked Question #10). Proxies are not automatically permitted unless your bylaws specifically provide for them, or a state code requires that they be allowed for your organization.

**H.** To filibuster (or speak indefinitely) during a meeting is not permitted unless the organization has a special rule allowing unlimited debate by an individual speaker. Otherwise, as RIB page 29 (Speech Limits in Debate), indicates, speakers may debate for no more than 10 minutes per speech. Most organizations usually have a Special Rule of Order that limits

speaking time even more - possibly to 2 or 3 minutes maximum per speech.

**I.** Calling out “Question” to stop debate during a meeting is not the proper way to end debate. It has no force in a meeting as pointed out on RIB page 36. The need for a formal motion for the Previous Question is explained on that page.

**N.** Laying a motion on the Table is never used to defeat the motion as is pointed out on RIB page 119 (Frequently Asked Questions #12 & #13). Check out the actual use of that motion on that page.

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All the other procedures in the list above are legitimate roles and/or privileges of members. Their explanations can be found on the following pages of RIB. Check these out:

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