

Sierra Sage Group Candidate Statements  
election year 2020

Candidate Statements are in Ballot Order (top to bottom)

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Ed Maurer

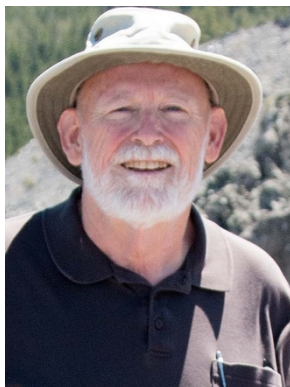
You may remember me from my ‘Letters from the Climate Front’ that were published in the Sierra Sage newsletter last year or from the presentations about Climate Change that I put together as your program chair from 2017 – 2019. I’ve been a member of the Sierra Club for many years, and an O-rated outings leader for local and international hikes.

My main reasons for running for a seat on Sierra Sage’s Executive Committee are:

- \* to engage the entire membership in a dialogue about actions we can and must take as a group and as individuals to put the Club’s values into action, especially in protecting the planet from the worst outcomes of Climate Change.
- \* to expand the group’s horizon beyond south Orange County.
- \* to bring back our beloved outdoor activities as soon as the COVID-19 pandemic ebbs and the Sierra Club approves.
- \* I, as an older member, look at my service on the board as a transition to a younger leadership that better reflects the club’s membership.

I ask for your vote. Thank you.

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Mike Sappingfield

I ask for your support to continue serving on the Executive Committee of the Sierra Sage Group. By way of background, I have been a member of the group since 1992 and have served as Outings Chair, Group Chair and other positions as needed. I strongly support our outings,

and conservation programs and want to continue to work to make the Group responsive of the environmental needs of our members.

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Sharon Koch

Re-elect Sharon Koch to the Sierra Sage Management Committee. Active involvement of our members in our regional groups is critical to the health of the Angeles Chapter and to the Sierra Club. I act on that belief by encouraging our members to get involved, recruit new members, and further the goals of protecting our environment while enjoying the outdoors. In challenging times such as these, while we need to remain physically distant, we must stay socially engaged with one another. We can explore new ways of staying in touch and acting to protect our local environment. Please give me the opportunity to continue representing you on the Sierra Sage Management Committee as we move forward together.

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Patty Sappingfield

Hi, my name is Patty Sappingfield. I have been a Sierra club member since 1990 & a Sierra Sage Member since 1992. I became the Sierra Sage Treasurer in 2004. I handle the Sierra Sage Newsletter circulation & mailing. My other job is to provide refreshments for our General Meeting. Since 2008 I have co-lead domestic Sierra Sage trips with my husband. I enjoy all my Sierra Sage jobs and I ask for your vote so I can remain a member of the Sierra Sage Ex-Com. While we are all home-bound I am helping with the newsletter by making sure our hard-copy subscribers get theirs by mail. We all are waiting for this pandemic to be over so we can hit the road & the trails.

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