



### Membership

Annual Membership Fee (\$25) is due now. Pay by Feb 29, 2016 to remain an active member of our club.

### Newsletter

Remember to pick up the Sidewinder in the office if you selected Pick-Up as your delivery method.

### Phone Book

The new phone book will be distributed in March. Be sure you have provided address and/or other changes before the end of February. Need proofreading and design help as we build the new phone book. Call John Faber if you have some time to volunteer.

### FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

This year is moving forward at a great pace! AVSCC will introduce a few new activities over the next few months. Are you interested in Genalogy? Woodcraft? Jewelry Making? How about learning how your smart phone works or brush up on your computer skills? Look for information later in this edition of the Sidewinder.

Club upgrades are in progress. We now have a new custodial/janitorial service contractor that will detail the club and the Thrift Shoppe in a highly professional way.

Our Edison Bills continue to rise and AVSCC is receiving bids to upgrade our HVAC, lighting and other electrical components to high efficiency units that have the potential to save us up to 40%+ on our monthly bills. This will be an engineering project with lots of challenges.

Membership is growing substantially and bringing in new members and volunteers. Volunteers are the life blood and foundation of our club. Keep up the great work. Your efforts are greatly appreciated! We are looking forward to a prosperous year.

*Jim Welte* (760) 961-8015

**January Board Meeting and December General Meeting Minutes will be included in next Month's newsletter**

CALENDAR OF MAJOR EVENTS**February**

AARP Tax Assistance	Feb 2	7:30am–11:30am
	Feb 9	7:30am–11:30am
	Feb 16	7:30am–11:30am
	Feb 23	7:30am–11:30am
Health Care Directive Assistance	Feb 4	Lillian Easton
Tea Dance 1–4pm	Feb 7	Hi Desert Dance Band
Board meeting	Feb 9	9:30 AM
Deadline for Sidewinder Articles	Feb 15	avscnewsletter@gmail.com
Health Care and Insurance Info	Feb 17	HI-CAP: 9:30 am
General Meeting	Feb 26	11 am Luncheon; 12 Noon Meeting
<b>Menu:</b> Chicken Fettuccini, broccoli, salad, garlic bread and German Chocolate cake!		
Saturday Dances: (5:30pm–9:30 PM)		
	Feb 6	Gruesome2Som
	Feb 13	Crossroads
	Feb 20 (Mardi Gras Theme)	Phoenix Rising
	Feb 27	Educators

*(Ballroom Dance Class **by appointment** every Saturday before the dance)*

**AARP TAX ASSISTANCE**

Tis the season! Tax assistance will be available from Feb 1<sup>st</sup> through April 15<sup>th</sup> every Tuesday from 7:30am–11:30am. First come, first served. You must have your Social Security or Medicare card, picture ID and both spouses must be present to sign a joint return. Bring everything you have from last year's return and all 1099, W2's etc. for each person on your return for your 2015 filing.

**AEROBICS**

Let's make our New Year's resolution to strengthen our muscles, improve our balance, and lose weight. Come join us for exercises on Tues, and Thurs. for one hour at 1:30 PM

*Betty Keiser (760) 242-8290*

### DANCE, DANCE, DANCE

Come out and enjoy our Saturday dances. Great bands, great fun! **NEW HOURS:** 5:30–7:30pm. **NEW FEE:** \$5.00. We will even provide dance lessons before each dance (by appointment). Call Loren Beebe 760–247–8045 to arrange for a lesson.

### HEALTH CARE DIRECTIVES

Lillian Easton is continuing to offer free assistance in preparing your Health Care Directive to appoint someone to act for you in making health care decisions when you are unable to make them for yourself. She is a Notary Public with 15 years of experience, and has prepared and notarized many Health Care Directives.

Lillian will be offering this excellent service on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month from 9am –Noon. For more information or to make an appointment, please call 760–508–4581.

### PUBLICITY

The budget to do some advertising about the club was approved for this year. The publicity team will be getting together to develop the planning calendar. Please let us know if you have any ideas or contacts to help us get the word out!

### Sidewinder Articles

Please remember to put a note in my box in the office or send an email to [avscnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:avscnewsletter@gmail.com) if you would like anything about your group mentioned in the newsletter.

*Nancy Faber*, Publicity Chair 760–780–8428 (cell) 760–247–3878 (home)

### CRAFTERS & QUILTERS

Greetings from the Crafters & Quilters Group! Our Community Service project during November was donating lap robes and afghans to the Dialysis Center and the Veterans Home. We have a new quilt to be raffled off at the March General Meeting. Get your tickets in the office or during the next General Meeting. We are happy to teach you the basics. We meet each Thursday from 9 AM – 1:30 PM. Come join us!

*Ginny Clark*

### TRIPS AND TOURS

We need someone to take over our trips and tours initiative. We need at least two volunteers to run this great opportunity. Please see Jim Welte if you are interested.

### LUNCH BUNCH

Welcome to the New Year! As you know the Senior Singles Club has changed and we are welcoming anyone who would like to join the newly formed "***Lunch Bunch***".

Our next meeting will be Feb. 2nd at 12:00 pm at the club. You can bring your lunch or buy it there. It is important for Lunch Bunch members to attend as we often vote on different affairs beside where we are going to lunch.

Scheduled so far:

Feb. 2	Noon	AVSCC
Feb. 9	1:00 pm	Green Tree Inn
Feb 23	1:00 pm	Mandarin Chef

We try to schedule all events on a Tuesday. Please join us at our next meeting.

*Pam Brown*(760) 265-2517

### GENEALOGY

Interested in how to research your family history? This class, based on interest, will help you create an account and help you learn to do general research to start building your family tree. Classes will be kept to a maximum of 4 people at a time. Depending on interest in the class, more classes will be scheduled. One-on-One training will be available by appointment. If you are interested, leave your name and phone number at the office and Karen Kile will respond promptly.

### KIT FORM CLASS

Interested in building kits? Let us know your interests. Wood, Plastic or Metal. Looking for a volunteer instructor with great ideas! Please leave your name and phone number in the office and we will get back to you.

**BOOK CLUB NOTES**

The Apple Valley library is still closed and the temporary location is the Victor Valley Museum, Apple Valley Road. Please take advantage of the club library and/or our Thrift Store. You are invited to join us at our next regular meeting and enjoy the social side of the book club. Hope to see you there. No experience required!

The Book List for the next few months:

February	<i>Recessional</i>	James Michener
March	<i>The Aviators Wife</i>	Melanie Benjamin

*Pat Howland* (760) 242-2471

Email: [pateh1@snet.net](mailto:pateh1@snet.net)

**BASIC COMPUTER TRAINING CLASSES**

New member, Karen Kile, has offered to take over our computer training. She will tailor a class just for you! Learn how to use email, search engines, security programs, etc. In addition, she will provide instructions on how to get the most from your Smart Phone and how to use things like YouTube and face to face communications. See

[http://applevalleyseniorcitizensclub.net/computer\\_class](http://applevalleyseniorcitizensclub.net/computer_class)

for more information. Leave a message in the office and Karen will call you back.

**BEADING/JEWELRY MAKING**

We would like to form a beading/jewelry group. Some basic supplies will be available to kick off the classes. You would need to bring your own Needle Nose Pliers and Wire Cutters. If you have beading experience and would like to be a volunteer instructor, leave word in the office and we will get back to you.

**MOVIES!**

Every Sunday (except Tea Dance Sunday) at 1 pm. The following movies are scheduled:

Feb 14	<i>The Family Stone</i>	Diane Keaton
Feb 21	<i>Little Children</i>	Kate Winslet
Feb 28	<i>New in Town</i>	Renee Zellweger

We can also sell all your old CD's for \$.75 to \$1.00 or VHS' for \$.50 to \$.75 and contribute to our General Fund.

**MEMBERSHIP**

- Club Membership now stands at 1056 (does not include 26 open applications).
- Number of Life Members: 384
- Our condolences to the families Etsuko Flannum, Orié Miranda & Ernest Seidel

*John Faber*, Membership Chairman (760) 403-1486

**THRIFT SHOP FASHION SHOP (from December)**

How fortunate we are to again join together with friends and family to celebrate our wonderful, festive time of the year-Christmas.

Our fashion show started with the wonder of Christmas in holiday dress and music. Wanda Read introduced the members to her outstanding performance of "Light a Candle" -what an incredible performance! Following that was our parade of models which included Jean Odom, Tony, Lee Hall (who's lovely daughter Kathie came all the way from Northern California). Peggy from the Golden Sweethearts joined us a model along with Wanda, Janet, Carol, and Jackie. We had Christmas carols and concluded with the Star Spangled Banner to honor our great county and our veterans.

As always, thanks to Wayne Lindblom , our photographer

*Ginger Cupkie*, facilitator