



### This 'n' That

We occasionally have a prospective member who cannot attend our Friday meetings, so the Board has asked for an amendment to the Bylaws to allow the Board to meet with those individuals and present their names to the membership for approval. The full text of the proposed amendment appears in this newsletter, so please read it and be ready to vote on it at our January meeting.

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

### FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

Again, I would like to thank all our great volunteers for their hard work & time to support our club. All efforts are every much appreciated. Keep up the great work!

I, along with our board, invite all our new members to join us in volunteering to help the club grow. Come meet other members and enjoy the fellowship & pleasure of giving.

Our membership is growing each month. We currently have 30 applicants awaiting ratification. Our Thrift Shoppe & Bingo Games are doing well & there are plans are to expand club activities & classes.

Please attend our club New Year's Eve Celebration from 10am to 4pm. We will be having a potluck (no charge—bring your favorite dish). We will play cards, billiards, dominoes or your choice of games. See you there!

I am looking forward to working with our board & members. My door is always open. I truly enjoy developing working relationships to help move our club forward.

Finally, please accept our good wishes for a joyous and peaceful holiday season. When you have a moment, say a prayer for all those affected by the violence here in SB County, in the rest of the Country and the World. Say a special prayer for our brave men and women in uniform for their commitment to defending our great nation.

*Jim Welte* (760) 961-8015

### Proposed Changes to the By Laws

Recognizing that some individuals who would like to join the AVSCC find it impossible to attend our Monthly General Meetings, the Board discussed other ways that applicants might be introduced and approved as new members. The Board approved a motion to allow the Board to serve as a proxy for the full membership for such individuals. The Board would then recommend them for approval as members at the next General Meeting. Therefore the membership will be asked to vote on the following By-laws amendment at the January meeting:

(Proposed additions are underlined; deletions are shown in strike-through text)

“Article III: Membership ...

Section 1. Application for membership, with dues and initiation fee, shall be processed by the Membership Committee. Upon attendance at one business meeting within two months after application, the ~~names of the~~ eligible applicants shall be introduced ~~given~~ to the general membership for approval at a regular business meeting. Should an applicant be rejected by the general membership, the dues will be refunded to the applicant. The initiation fee is not refundable.

If an applicant cannot attend a General Meeting due to recurring work or volunteer activities, that person can be introduced to the Board of Directors at a regular or special Board meeting. The Board can then recommend that applicant for approval at the next General Meeting in lieu of the applicant’s attendance at the meeting.”

While this is a break from the traditional practice of having all new members be introduced at a General Meeting, the Board believes that it is a reasonable accommodation for Seniors who have an ongoing conflict with our General Meeting days but can be contributing members in other activities.

**BOARD MINUTES AND REPORTS**

November *General Meeting Minutes*—found later in this newsletter

December *Board Meeting Highlights*

At its December Meeting, the Board took the following actions:

- Received a report from Harold Smith, First Vice President, on the progress of the parking lot repairs. The work completed to date is not satisfactory, so discussions with the contractor are continuing.
- Received a report that the Saturday Dances will be 6:00–9:00 pm in January. Times for the dances for the remaining winter months may be adjusted based on experience. Saturday dances will return to the traditional 7:00–10:00 time slot in the spring as the days get longer.
- Approved a motion to allow applicants who cannot attend a General Membership meeting due to recurring work or volunteer activities to appear before the Board. The Board will then recommend that person for membership at the next General Meeting in lieu of the applicant's attendance at the meeting.
- Agreed to seek bids for Corian countertops for the coffee areas
- Agreed to investigate plastic speed bumps for the drive along the side of the building.
- Approved a motion to change the Record Retention and Destruction Policy to retain Club records for 7 years (instead of the current 5 years).
- Agreed to review sample Conflict of Interest and Whistleblower Protection policies and discuss them at the January meeting.
- Approved a motion to enter into a Janitorial Service contract for cleaning service at the Clubhouse and the Thrift Store.

*Jackie Korsgaard*, Recording Secretary

## ELECTIONS

A big thank you to all who ran for office and congratulations to those who were elected! Also, a thank you to all the members who attended the General Meeting to participate in voting.

**President:** Jim Welte  
**Vice President:** Joe Buscher  
**Treasurer:** Pat Welte  
**Trustees:** Ginger Cupkie and Virginia Turner

## **MAKE A COMMITMENT TO FUTURE GENERATIONS: LOOK FORWARD TO GIVING BACK**

We are establishing a Legacy Trust Initiative. What better way to “pay it forward” than by making a bequest to the AVSCC in your will. You will become a member of the club’s *Legacy Society*. We will be happy to tell you how it works.

The end of the year is a popular time to consider one’s charitable giving. You may want to consider taking advantage by making a donation to our Club’s Building Fund. If your donation is \$100 or more, a plaque in your name, or the name that you choose, will be added to our wall of honor. For more information contact Pat Amado.

*Pat Amado* (760) 240-9328

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY CONNIE!



On December 8, 2015, the Bunco players honored Connie Weinberg on her 104<sup>th</sup> Birthday! A native of Venice, CA, Connie has a wonderful wealth of memories to share from being a (very young) Red Cross girl during the Kaiser War to giving the Orpheum Theater a shot as a chorus girl. She was an early pioneer being self-employed at a very young age. She is a proud owner of 13 cats and 1 dog and has a wonderful 14 member family. Rose Jepsen made a beautiful cake for the occasion.

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CALENDAR OF MAJOR EVENTS**December**

Saturday Dances: (7 – 10 PM)	Dec. 19	Crossroads
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General Meeting	Dec. 18	
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**Menu:** roast beef, roasted red potatoes, carrots, roll with butter, desert

New Year's Eve Day Games Party	Dec 31	10am–4pm
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**January**

Tea Dance 1–4pm	Jan 3	Hi Desert Dance Band
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Deadline for Sidewinder Articles	Jan 12	avscnewsletter@gmail.com
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Board meeting	Jan 12	9:30 AM
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Health Care and Insurance Info	Jan 20	HI–CAP: 9:30 am
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Saturday Dances: (7 – 10 PM)	Jan 9	Gruesome 2Som
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	Jan 16	Crossroads
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	Jan 23	Phoenix Rising
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	Jan 30	Educators
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*(Ballroom Dance Class every Saturday before the dance)*

General Meeting	Jan 29	
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**Menu:** meat loaf, roasted red potatoes, salad and desert

PUBLICITY

Winter Wonderland was fun! Thanks to Mona Odaniell, John Faber and Carol Geiger for helping man the tables. The Club was also recognized on the sign by the new 30 tree that was lite on Saturday, Dec 5 in front of the Apple Valley Town Hall.

The Publicity Committee will begin the 2016 Planning Calendar in January. We will be reaching out to members who have indicated a desire to help with publicity and the newsletter in the next few weeks.

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)

**HELPING OUR COMMUNITY**

Bring a spot of holiday cheer to those less fortunate within our community. Bring your extra cans & other non-perishable items to our donation table in the main hall. We also collect metal tabs from cans and box tops for education.

*Pat Anderson* (760) 247-6272

**AEROBICS**

Exercise, both physical and mental, could be one of the most powerful tools to stave off the onset of Alzheimer's disease. Aerobic exercise improves oxygen consumption, which benefits brain function; Aerobic fitness has been found to reduce brain cell loss in elderly subjects. We offer a program of aerobics and strength training. We meet for one hour on Tues. and Thurs. at 1:30 PM. Men as well as women are welcome.

*Betty Keiser* (760) 242-8290

**GOLDEN SWEETHEARTS (FORMERLY THE GOLDENAIRES)**

We need singers! You don't have to be great—just sing on key. We go to convalescent hospitals to cheer up the patients and its fun for all of us. We practice Friday mornings from 9:30-11.

*Lee Hall* (760) 240-1443

**CRAFTERS & QUILTERS**

There will be a bake sale at the Dec 18 General Meeting hosted by our craft & quilting group. Stock up on holiday goodies! *Ginny Clark*

**PLAY BALL !**

The Apple Valley Little League board has contacted us to see if we would have some folks who would like to volunteer. It's a great opportunity to have a positive influence on today's youth. They need adult umpires, snack bar help, scorekeeping, announcing, etc. Watch for details in the next sidewinder or contact Nancy Faber.

*Nancy Faber* (760) 780-8428

**SINGLES GROUP-“The Lunch Bunch”**

As we mentioned in the last newsletter we would like to change the focus of the Singles Group to include singles and married members. In keeping with that goal we will be changing our name to the “Lunch Bunch”. Everyone is welcome to join! It is still a club and dues are \$2.00 per month. This contribution helps to fund our goodies on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month. The leftover monies we will use at the end of the year to pay for our Christmas Dinner. We had a wonderful dinner this year at the Green Tree Crown N Sword.

The first meeting of the new “Lunch Bunch” will be **Tuesday Jan 5th** at 12:00 noon in the back room of the Senior Club. You are welcome to bring a lunch or buy lunch at the club. Then we will have cake, coffee and conversation. Call Pam for information.

**Luncheons Scheduled for January**

Jan 12th	Los Domingos	Hwy 18 and Apple Valley Rd.
Jan 26th	Giuseppe's	Jess Ranch Plaza

*Pam Brown* (760) 265-2517

**BOOK CLUB**

Our January selection will be *The Signature of All Things* by bestselling author, Elizabeth Gilbert.

You're invited to join us at our next regular meeting **Monday, January 25, 2016**. The meeting will be at my home. Come enjoy the social side of the AVSCC book club. Hope to see you there! No experience required!

The reading list is as follows:

January	<i>The Signature of All Things</i>	Elizabeth Gilbert
February	<i>Recessional</i>	James Michener
March	<i>The Aviators Wife</i>	Melanie Benjamin

*Pat Howland* 760-242-2471

### Amendments to the AV Phone Directory

Name	Prefix 760 unless indicated	Address
<b>ADDITIONS</b>		
COOPER, Bessie 'Bess' O.	493-1179	8452.SVL.BOX, Victorville, CA 92395
COOPER, John D.	493-1179	8452.SVL.BOX, Victorville, CA 92395
CRESTIN-BICKERS, Gail M.	951-218-2424	13095 Topsanna Rd., AV, CA 92308
JAMES, Betty L.	951-522-4530	22241 Nisqually Rd. #13, AV, CA 92308
JORDAN, Diana F.	731-535-9306	22241 Nisqually Rd., AV, CA 92308
KILE, Karen	602-326-9810	15239 Osage Rd., AV, CA 92308
QUINN, Ruby A.	810-0877	13401 Choco Rd, AV, CA 92308
READ, Joseph F.	961-1607	14275 Chinook Rd., AV, CA 92307
RHODES, Bonnie M.	810-0877	13401 Choco Rd., AV, CA 92308
SPENCER, Shirley A.	661-972-0440	22241 Nisqually Rd. #13, AV, CA 92308
<b>Changes</b>		
CALDERONE, John J.	240-5574	22241 Nisqually Rd. Spc 49, AV, CA 92308
FARNED, Sandra A.	247-8180	7642 Lexington Manor Dr., Colorado Springs, CO 80920
FULLER, Anita M.	530-598-6514	16055 St.Timothy Rd., AV, CA 92308
MARSH, Ronald	503-1411	22610 Eyota Rd., AV, CA 92308
NORIEGA, Andy	673-1253	23145 Ocotillo Way, AV, CA 92308
<b>Reinstatement</b>		
GREER, Sallie J.	247-2825	13212 Pocono Rd., AV, CA 92308

**Club Membership now stands at 1030; Number of Life Members: 386**

Our condolences go out to the families of Charles Parker, Rosemary Pollock, Juanita Smith and Milledge Staley Sr.

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

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