



NEWCOMERS & FRIENDS OF SANTA CLARITA VALLEY

Board Meeting Notes

Date: February 4, 2026

Meeting Time: 1:00 PM

Location: Home of Barbara Ferone

ATTENDEES	ABSENT
Joey Dieringer	Kathi Studden
Charlotte Pitts	Sandy Bull
Lanita Algeyer	Jeanne Cruse
Joyce Brady	Alta McGovern
Karen Towles	Mary Ellen Vassil
Diana Soriano	Sue Owen
Linda Jenkins	Jeanne Iler
Donna Cerna	Sharon Lindquist
Sandy Osburn	
Diane Millikin	
Elaine Hall	
Carla Lewis	
Wynn Weber	
Barbara Ferone	
Beth Holzberger	

President Joey opened the meeting 1:01 pm.

President - President Joey called the meeting to order at 1:01 pm She thanked Barbara Ferone for hosting the meeting and providing delicious snacks. The minutes for January were approved as presented on the Website.

The Treasurer's Report - presented by Diana. There is a balance of \$4,722.70. Joey requests to fund the Historian position next fiscal year as that position will have a board member in 2026-2027. The financials were approved.

Luncheons - Lanita reported luncheon reservations are:

- February at Route 66
- March at Chili's in Canyon Country
- April at Cheesecake Factory. Their cost is slightly higher at \$30.00 per person.

Membership - Joyce reported that we have added 5 new members and 2 returning members for a total of 159.

New Liaison – No report.

Website - Linda reported that the Website is functioning smoothly. Discussion centered around the March new board election. The slate of board positions will be posted on the Website near the minutes and By-laws. Each member will receive an email to vote between March 5 - 12. Diane will send out an E-blast with the voting directions. There will NOT be voting at the March luncheon. The order of election process is as follows: - Slate presented at February luncheon - Elections March 5 - 12 - New Board announced at April luncheon.

Explorers – Donna reminded the board about the Brew-Ha-Ha on Wednesday, April 22nd at 6 pm at Tomato Joe's restaurant.

Donna presented a new proposed outing, the Sam Maloof Historical Home Tour. The outing is tentatively planned for Saturday, May 9th. The docent led tour starts at 10 am. The cost is \$25.00 with only 10 spaces, yet optional self-guided touring is available. There will be lunch to follow at Vince's Spaghetti restaurant. Carpooling will be available. Exact details to be finalized.

Also presented was a trip to the Fullerton Metrolink station, a walk about the Old Town area with lunch at the Spaghetti Factory. The proposed date is Saturday, June 6th. More details are to be finalized. As these are all Explorer's events, family and friends are welcome to attend.

Social - Lanita reported that 55 members immensely enjoyed the Bingo social in January. Upcoming Social's are:

- March 30, Monday, at 1 pm, bowling and lunch at Santa Clarita Lanes. Cost is \$8.00 for food and \$20.00 for bowling. This cost will be covered by Newcomers and Friends with only \$5.00 from attending members.
- April 7, Ice Cream social at Sandy Bull's home. Our Newcomers and Friends Club is blessed by the Club's commitment to giving back to the membership through these minimal to no cost social events.

Coffee Corner - Donna reported that February will be at Black Bear Diner in Valencia at 10 am. Please RSVP,

- March is Garcia Brothers
- April is at Egg Plantation

- May is at Marstons
- June is at Nelly's Skillet

Decorations – Eileen reported decorations are ready for the February luncheon.

Birthdays - Joey reported for Alta and Mary Ellen that they have plenty of cards to recognize all February birthdays.

Activities - Joey reported that Kathi needs a Chinese Mah Jong teacher for game day, February 19th.

Hostess – Karen reported that she is ready with plenty of name tags.

Raffle – Carla, Wynn and Barbara are always ready to provide our members with the "Lucky Chance" to win an exciting prize.

DIG / DOG - Linda reported that the activity is going well. DOG groups have reported having enjoyable outings. Discussed the size of each assigned DOG group 6 versus 8 people groups. Explanation provided by Linda with Pro's and Con's discussed.

Second Cup - Sandy reported that Telly's at 10 am is the meeting place. No reservations needed, open to all interested members.

Publicity - No report

Parliamentarian – No report

The meeting was adjourned at 1:38 pm.

Submitted by,

Karen Towles, Secretary