

# ASSOCIATION OF SUMMER VILLAGES OF ALBERTA

## 2022-2023 ANNUAL REPORT



**October 19 & 20, 2023 Annual Conference & AGM**



Association of  
**SUMMER VILLAGES**  
OF ALBERTA



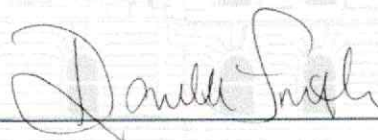
# MESSAGE FROM THE PREMIER OF ALBERTA

On behalf of the Government of Alberta, it is my pleasure to welcome everyone to the 65<sup>th</sup> annual Association of Summer Villages of Alberta (ASVA) conference and annual general meeting.

Summer villages have played an important role in Alberta's history, and since its inception in 1958, the ASVA has been integral in lake stewardship. Summer villages have grown to offer year-round activities and amenities, and to help share vital information with their residents. That is clearly demonstrated in the focus on emergency management at this year's conference.

Congratulations to the current and former board members of the ASVA for 65 years of success as you continue to advocate for the 51 Alberta summer villages you serve. I am grateful for the hours you put in serving your communities.

Best wishes for an excellent conference and annual general meeting.



*Danielle Smith*

**Honourable Danielle Smith, Premier of Alberta**





## **MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT**

The ASVA is celebrating its 65th year of existence and successful work on behalf of our members. It was back in 1958 that the Summer Villages got together to form the ASVA. The association came to life based on the successful advocacy work done by a few summer villages to increase infrastructure grant funding. Here we are 65 years later, still working together and advocating for changes to infrastructure funding on the new LGFF program.

Over those 65 years Summer Villages have changed. We are no longer just seasonal recreational communities operating for only a portion of the year. The growth in permanent year-round dwellings and Residents has been phenomenal. In the last decade there are many Summer Villages that have grown as fast as Alberta's large cities. Now, fifty percent of the Summer Villages are similar in size to a regular Village.

As more people choose to live in Summer Villages, that drives the need for year-round infrastructure. Like all other municipalities, Summer Villages now require all-weather roads, water and waste water systems, municipal buildings, trail systems, recreational facilities, and broad band.

Today, Summer Villages are vibrant communities that have many residents living there year-round and with many more residents utilizing their lake home throughout the entire year. Summer Villages have become sustainable municipalities that are a well-respected, recognized level of government and stewards of our lakes.

In closing, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the past ASVA Board members and Executive Directors that came before us. Their work provided a strong foundation for the association. I also want to thank the current Board members for their dedication and hard work representing our members. We were fortunate to have Kathy Krawchuck join us this year as Executive Director. Her knowledge and experience in local municipal government will serve our members well. I am happy to say that all Summer Villages remain as ASVA members. The ASVA has never been stronger and we are well positioned for the future.

Mike Pashak

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Mike Pashak". The signature is fluid and cursive, written in a professional style.

## MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

For those of you who don't know me, my name is Kathy Krawchuk, the new Executive Director for the ASVA, as of March 01, 2023.



I have had a career in municipal government for 32 years, with the opportunity to work in many areas including, clerk duties, utilities, accounts payable, accounts receivable, overlooked the enforcement & public works departments, economic development and then CAO for 12 years.

It's nice to see that all 51 Summer Villages remain members of the ASVA. With this lasting support, it continually sends the message to our Province of how resilient, sustainable and resourceful Summer Villages really are.

I am looking forward to working with the Board on upcoming initiatives and being of assistance to all the Summer Villages.

Thank you for attending ASVA's 65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Conference, October 19 & 20, 2023.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kathy Krawchuk". The signature is fluid and cursive.

**KATHY KRAWCHUK**  
**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, ASVA**

**ON BEHALF OF THE ASVA  
THANK YOU AND FAREWELL TO OUTGOING  
BOARD MEMBERS  
2022-2023**

**Christine Holmes, Director  
January 2023**



**Roger Montpelier, Director  
February 2023**



**Dennis Evans, Director  
July 2022**



**Fred Black, Director  
September 2022**



**Dr. Peter Pellatt – Past President  
Retired – November 2022**



**EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS  
2022-2023**

**Deb Hamilton  
Interim Executive Director – February 2023**



# 2023 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

## EXECUTIVE

## SUMMER VILLAGE

## LAKE LOCATION



President – Mike Pashak

Half Moon Bay

Sylvan Lake



Vice President – Brian Waterhouse

Sundance Beach

Pigeon Lake



Treasurer – Rob Dickie

Betula Beach

Wabamun Lake



Executive Director – Kathy Krawchuk

## DIRECTORS



Kim Bancroft

Island Lake

Baptiste Lake



Gary Burns

Horseshoe Bay

Vincent Lake



Kathy Dion

Val Quentin

Lac Ste. Anne



Ren Giesbrecht

West Cove

Lac Ste. Anne



Julie Maplethorpe

Jarvis Bay

Sylvan Lake



Ian Rawlinson

Crystal Springs

Pigeon Lake



Curtis Schoepp

Whispering Hills

West Baptiste Lake



Marlene Walsh

Val Quentin

Lac Ste. Anne



## ASVA - supporting the needs of Summer Villages:

Argentia Beach	Norris Beach
Betula Beach	Parkland Beach
Birch Cove	Pelican Narrows
Birchcliff	Point Alison
Bondiss	Poplar Bay
Bonnyville Beach	Rochon Sands
Burnstick Lake	Ross Haven
Castle Island	Sandy Beach
Crystal Springs	Seba Beach
Ghost Lake	Silver Beach
Golden Days	Silver Sands
Grandview	South Baptiste
Gull Lake	South View
Half Moon Bay	Sunbreaker Cove
Horseshoe Bay	Sundance Beach
Island Lake	Sunrise Beach
Island Lake South	Sunset Beach
Itaska Beach	Sunset Point
Jarvis Bay	Val Quentin
Kapasiwin	Waiparous
Lakeview	West Baptiste
Larkspur	West Cove
Ma-Me-O Beach	Whispering Hills
Mewatha Beach	White Sands
Nakamun Park	Yellowstone
Norglenwold	

## ASVA - Who We Are

The Association of Summer Villages of Alberta was established in 1958 and later as a not-for-profit municipal organization in 1977. We have 100% membership of all 51 Summer Villages located in Alberta. We are here to serve and represent the interests of Summer Villages in Alberta.

### VISION

Summer Villages are sustainable municipalities that are a well-respected, recognized level of government and advocate on behalf of our lake and river environments.

### MISSION "ACE"

Inspire and support Summer Villages to achieve strong and effective local government through advocacy, communication, and education.

### GOALS "ACE" – Advocacy, Communication, and Education

#### A - Advocacy

1. Advocacy / Liaison with Provincial Government – will meet with government to advocate for solutions that support summer villages and promotes the collective position of summer villages to decision makers, members and stakeholders.
2. Participation on Provincial Issues and Initiatives – ASVA partners with all levels of government, municipalities, industry, stakeholder groups, to resolve issues / challenges, and promote opportunities for cooperation.
3. ASVA will honour its duty to consult with indigenous peoples.
4. ASVA will advocate summer villages working together to build common solutions.
5. ASVA will effectively and transparently manage the ASVA as a high profile municipal association which is accepted and recognized by our sister associations, other municipalities, and the provincial government.

#### C - Communication

6. ASVA provides useful 2-way communication and reliable information tailored to the specific needs of summer villages and all levels of government.
7. ASVA utilizes a variety of communication techniques, including electronic and social media.

#### E – Education

8. Through ASVA's Annual Conference and workshops, we bring together skills and provide expertise to advise on governance and stewardship
9. ASVA provides access to a variety of resources and encourages networking opportunities.
10. ASVA supports solutions that help members collaborate and meet their sustainable, viability objectives.
11. ASVA facilitates educational opportunities to support members in governance and environmental stewardship responsibilities.



## **ASVA - 2022/2023 Accomplishments, Successes, and Challenges**

### **Vision**

Summer Villages are sustainable, year-round municipalities that are a well-respected, recognized level of government and advocate on behalf of our lake and river environments.

### **Mission**

Inspire and support Summer Villages to achieve strong and effective local government through advocacy, communication, and education.

The ASVA continues to work with our sister organizations, Alberta Municipalities (ABmunis) and Rural Municipalities Association (RMA), on common issues. We continue to educate them on key priorities for Summer Villages and to garner their support on those priorities.

This past year ASVA was very pleased to welcome Kathy Krawchuk as our new Executive Director. Kathy brings a wealth of knowledge to the role having been in local municipal government her entire career and with 12 years as a CAO.

Our largest advocacy work was the Local Government Fiscal Framework (LGFF). The ASVA President met multiple times with ABmunis, RMA, and the Minister of Municipal Affairs and department staff to share our thoughts on the issue. Last October, the ASVA submitted a proposal to Municipal Affairs on how the funds in the new LGFF program should be allocated between municipalities. This proposal was shared with members at the 2022 ASVA annual conference. This summer Municipal Affairs shared their preliminary proposal for the allocation formula and asked for feedback. Although ASVA agrees with the majority of their proposed allocation factors, the base funding for Summer Villages is significantly below what ASVA and ABmunis had proposed. The ASVA has provided comments on their proposal. Minister Ric McIver has indicated that the LGFF allocation formula will be finalized before year end.

The ASVA Board of Directors updated its strategic plan in 2022. This new plan focuses on these four goals:

1. ASVA is recognized as the primary advocate for and on behalf of Summer Villages.
2. ASVA plays a key role ensuring SVs are informed on critical issues and that SVs have the knowledge and skills that enhance their capacity to deliver municipal services.
3. ASVA will deliver projects to enhance the autonomous nature of SVs and strengthen the SVs' capacity to deliver municipal services within their communities.
4. ASVA will model to ASVA members effective governance by actively improving its Board governance practices.

The updated strategic plan had ASVA focus on its internal governance, protocol, and practices. That work allowed the ASVA to tweak its Vision and Mission statements to better support our members. We also updated a number of policies to strengthen our financial management and to provide succession planning.

The ASVA conducted a Board Effectiveness Survey. ASVA wanted to ensure that the ASVA Board continues to function effectively and will review its performance by conducting a formal assessment each year. The survey identified a number of opportunities for improvement. The Board has completed improvements. This work dovetailed nicely with our strategic plan.

The ASVA developed an Executive Director Performance Review Policy. This will be an annual activity for the ASVA Board and HR committee. It is important that the ASVA Board be aligned and provide the right support for the Executive Director.

The 2023 Alberta Election saw the UCP return to government. With the election over there are a number of familiar faces returning to key positions within the government. The majority of Summer Villages (44 of 51) have the same MLA returning.

The ASVA President also serves on ABmunis Board of Directors representing Summer Villages. He attended the Summer Municipal Leaders Conference meetings in Delburne and Spruce Grove. The topics included potable water issues in the province, future of intermunicipal collaboration policy, and a debrief on the Alberta election. Each meeting had approximately 60 participants. Local MLAs attended to give greetings. One of things noticed was the Summer Village attendance at these events is minimal. The topics are usually relevant to Summer Villages and future work will be done to encourage more attendance at this type of event.

ASVA supported the SV Half Moon Bay to create a golf cart resolution that was accepted by ABmunis for inclusion in the upcoming convention. The resolution states, "IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate for the Government of Alberta to make changes to the Alberta Traffic Safety Act and regulations plus the Use Of Highway And Rules Of The Road Regulation that would allow Municipalities, if they so desire, to approve the use of golf carts on certain approved roads and public lands within their municipality." Thanks to Curtis Schoepp, SV Whispering Hills, for bringing this issue forward and leading the charge for change. British Columbia and Ontario currently have pilot projects underway and earlier this year Saskatchewan went directly to allowing golf carts with Municipal bylaws approving their use.

ASVA Forest Health and Management pilot project was successfully completed this past year. The main purpose of this project was to provide direct education and professional support to Summer Villages about the value of proper management of trees and forests in a rural community setting. The project provided 11 Summer Villages with the opportunity to receive

professional advice and assistance on tree and forestry management. Each Summer Village was provided a written report.

The Minister of Municipal Affairs released the new Municipal Census Regulation and Municipal Census Manual on April 11, 2023. The new Regulation and census manual will allow municipalities to conduct their own census starting in 2024. The Ministry will accept municipal census data going forward for the purposes of determining population and potentially for use in grant funding. The regulation includes the collection of Temporary Resident population. Further work by ASVA is required to understand how this classification will be used and if there a benefit for Summer Villages to conduct their own census.

Provincial Association of Resort Communities of Saskatchewan (PARCS), who knew there were other associations like us. The ASVA President had an opportunity this year to interact with the PARCS President. Their issues are similar to our issues. It was interesting to hear how similar our two organizations are including part-time Executive Directors. Saskatchewan has 40 resort villages that are typically located on the shoreline of a lake. Saskatchewan's largest and smallest resort villages are Candle Lake and Lumsden Beach with populations of 765 and 10 respectively. PARCS was founded in 1983, and like ASVA, it was a group that recognized the need for a collective voice for issues relating specifically to Resort Villages. The ASVA will continue to build the relationship with PARCS and looks forward to the benefits that will come from that relationship.

In the upcoming year, the ASVA will continue to work its key priorities such as LGFF, Municipal Census regulations, identification of future grant programs, Aquatic Invasive Species and lake health, the need for improved policing and bylaw enforcement, water and wastewater systems, and rural health issues. We will also follow the Government of Alberta's work related to reviewing the feasibility of amending the Education Property Tax to assist municipalities with retaining more funding for local priorities. We will continue to look for opportunities to participate on various committees that deal with provincial issues and initiatives.

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### COMPILATION ENGAGEMENT REPORT

To Management of Association of Summer Villages of Alberta

On the basis of information provided by management, I have compiled the statement of financial position of the Association of Summer Villages of Alberta as at December 31, 2022, the statement of operations and changes in cash flow for the year then ended, and Notes 1 & 2, which describes the basis of accounting applied in the preparation of the compiled financial information.

Management is responsible for the accompanying financial information, including the accuracy and completeness of the underlying information used to compile it and the selection of the basis of accounting.

I performed this engagement in accordance with Canadian Standard on Related Services (CSRS) 4200, *Compilation Engagements*, which requires me to comply with relevant ethical requirements. My responsibility is to assist management in the preparation of the financial information.

I did not perform an audit engagement or a review engagement, nor was I required to perform procedures to verify the accuracy or completeness of the information provided by management. Accordingly, I do not express an audit opinion or a review conclusion or provide any form of assurance on the financial information.

Readers are cautioned that the financial information may not be appropriate for their purposes.



July 3, 2023

Colleen Ewashko, Chartered Professional Accountant  
Thorhild, AB

**Association of Summer Villages of Alberta**

Statement of Financial Position

As at December 31, 2022

<b>ASSETS</b>			
		<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Cash	\$	90,347	\$ 54,297
Accounts Receivable		12,990	-
Grants Receivable		3,925	-
Term Deposits		-	52,000
		107,262	106,297
<b>Computer Equipment</b>		794	794
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>108,056</b>	<b>\$ 107,091</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Accounts Payable		22,244	-
Visa Payable		-	76
Deferred Revenues		-	11,775
		22,244	11,851
<b>LONG TERM LIABILITIES</b>			
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		22,244	11,851
<b>NET ASSETS</b>			
<b>Unrestricted Net Assets</b>			
Balance, beginning of year		94,446	89,499
Surplus (deficit)		(9,429)	4,947
		85,018	94,446
<b>Net investment in capital assets</b>		794	794
<b>TOTAL NET ASSETS</b>		85,812	95,240
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; NET ASSETS</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>108,056</b>	<b>\$ 107,091</b>

Approved By

Date

August 8, 2022

Mike Pashek, President

Name & Position

[Signature]

Signature

**Colleen Ewashko**  
Chartered Professional Accountant

**Association of Summer Villages of Alberta**  
Statement of Operations  
For the Year Ending December 31, 2022

	2022	2021
<b>REVENUE</b>		
ASVA Conference	\$ 38,387	\$ 6,693
Dues	43,140	42,165
Grants	15,700	-
Interest Income	182	534
Workshops	2,000	-
<b>Total Operating Revenues</b>	<b>99,410</b>	<b>49,393</b>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>		
Administration	33,437	30,875
ASVA Conference	40,664	1,870
Bank Charges & Interest	259	132
Board Remuneration	6,569	5,668
Gifts	762	-
Courses, Workshops, etc	5,972	-
Insurance	2,091	1,949
Meeting Expenses	1,403	-
Memberships	-	525
Office & Telecommunication	1,598	2,400
Professional Fees	1,155	656
Project Costs	14,825	-
Website	105	372
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>108,838</b>	<b>44,446</b>
<b>Total Surplus (Deficit) for the period</b>	<b>\$ (9,429)</b>	<b>\$ 4,947</b>

Approved By

Date August 8, 2023

Mike Pashak, President  
Name & Position

  
Signature

*Colleen Ewashko*  
Chartered Professional Accountant

**Association of Summer Villages of Alberta**  
Statement of Changes in Cash Flows  
For the Year Ending December 31, 2022

	2022	2021
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Cash received from grants	\$ -	\$ 11,775
Cash received from dues	43,140	42,165
Cash received for Conferences & Courses	18,897	6,693
Cash received from interest	182	534
Cash paid for materials and services	(78,170)	(43,463)
<b>Cash provided by (used in) operating activities</b>	<b>(15,950)</b>	<b>17,704</b>
<b>CASH PROVIDED BY (USED IN) INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES</b>		
Purchase of capital assets		
<b>CASH PROVIDED BY (USED IN) FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>		
<b>Net Cash Provided by (Used In) Financing &amp; Investment</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH &amp; INVESTMENTS</b>	<b>(15,950)</b>	<b>17,704</b>
<b>CASH AND INVESTMENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>	<b>106,297</b>	<b>88,593</b>
<b>CASH AND INVESTMENTS, END OF YEAR</b>	<b>\$ 90,347</b>	<b>\$ 106,297</b>
Consisting of		
Operating Bank Account	\$ 90,347	\$ 54,297
Term Deposits	-	52,000
	<b>\$ 90,347</b>	<b>\$ 106,297</b>

Approved By

Date August 8, 2023

Mike Pashuk, President  
Name & Position

[Signature]  
Signature

Colleen Ewashko  
Chartered Professional Accountant

**Association of Summer Villages of Alberta**

Notes to the Compiled Financial Information

Year ended December 31, 2022

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**Note 1- Basis of Accounting**

The basis of accounting to be applied in the preparation of the financial information is on the historical cost basis, reflecting cash transactions with the additions of:

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- Investments are recorded at historical cost;
  - Accounts payable and accrued liabilities;
  - Accounts receivable;
  - Capital assets recorded at historical cost with no amortization;
  - Revenue is recognized using the deferral method and restricted contributions are recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are incurred.
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**Note 2- Deferred Revenues**

Deferred revenues consisted of funds received from the Alberta Real Estate Foundation for a project to provide advice and encourage proper forest management in Summer Villages.



**2023**

**SUMMER VILLAGE  
MILESTONE  
ANNIVERSARIES**

**110 YEARS**

SV Gull Lake

SV Lakeview

**75 YEARS**

SV Ma-Me-O-Beach

**70 YEARS**

SV Crystal Springs

SV Itaska Beach

SV Silver Beach

**65 YEARS**

SV Island Lake

**60 YEARS**

SV West Cove

**45 YEARS**

SV Half Moon Bay

SV Mewatha Beach

**40 YEARS**

SV Bondiss

SV Island Lake South

SV South Baptiste

SV West Baptiste

**35 YEARS**

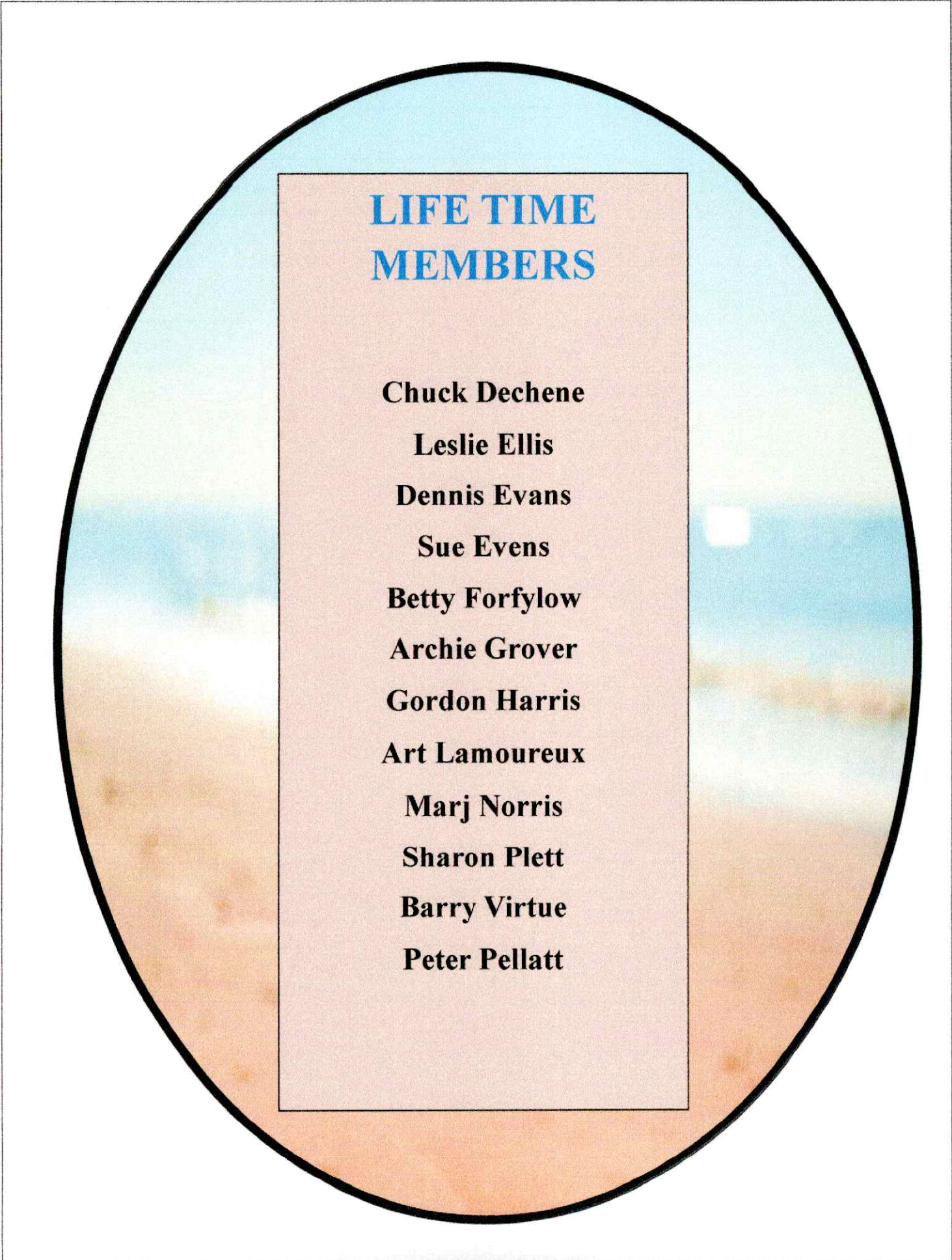
SV Birch Cove

SV Norris Beach

SV Sunrise Beach

**30 YEARS**

SV Kapasiwin



**LIFE TIME  
MEMBERS**

**Chuck Dechene**

**Leslie Ellis**

**Dennis Evans**

**Sue Evens**

**Betty Forfylow**

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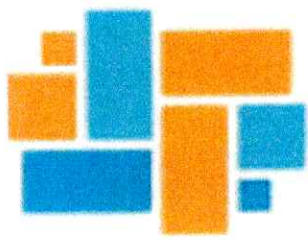


**ASVA THANKS ALL OF  
OUR SPONSORS FOR  
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On behalf of the ASVA, we sincerely thank each and everyone of our Sponsors in making our 65th Anniversary Conference a huge success. With your generous support, ASVA will continue supporting our 51 Summer Villages, in helping make a difference!

**ASVA Executive and Board of Directors**

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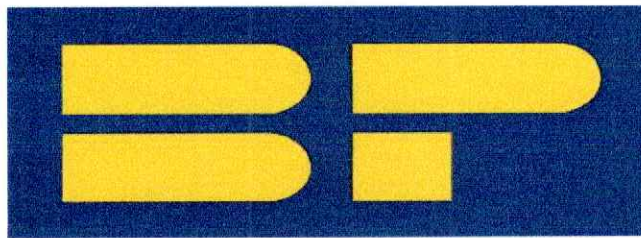
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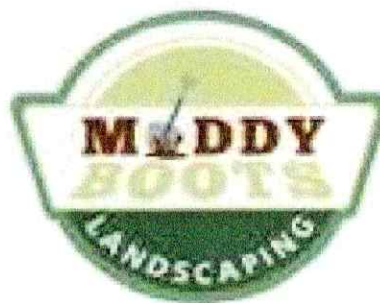
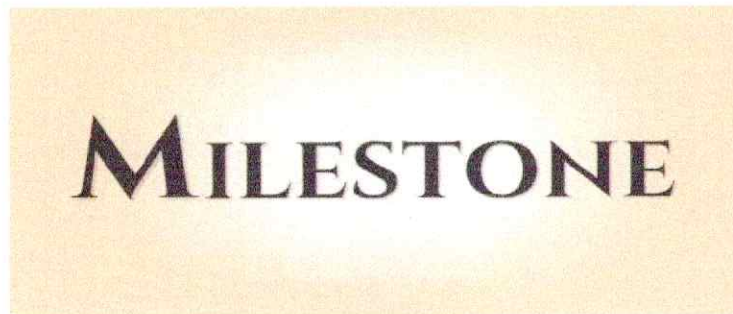
  
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