

## **Biographical Sketches of Board Candidates in Alphabetical Order**

### **Richard D'Angelo**

Graduated from Ohio State University with BA Degree in Communications. Multiple courses in writing, television production and film. Involved with photography since early 1980's. Selected several years in a juried exhibit at the Ohio State Fair. Also selected to jury exhibits by the Ohio State Bar Association. Got away from photography until I purchased my first digital camera and joined the Camera Club in 2005 (?). Interested in becoming a Board Member and becoming active once again. Former ARC Chairman and President of The Springs HOA. Married, and lived in Green Valley since May, 2002.

### **Patricia Leege**

I am Pat Leege resident of Green Valley since 2000. My husband and I divide time between here, the village of Arcadia on Lake Michigan, and shorter travels to Europe and Mexico. When not in GV, our scenic Northwoods delights the camera eye, and nearby Interlochen International Music Camp warms the soul. I am a professional musician who majored in music education at Augustana College, Rock Island, IL and received my M.Mus. in organ and church music at Northwestern University. I taught music on both the elementary and college levels and have been a church musician -- organist, recitalist, and choir director -- throughout my life. I have been an officer of several civic organizations.

But, I have always had a passion for photography. As our family was growing up and during our semesters in both Belgium and London, I was the family photographer. When we came to Green Valley, I quickly headed to the Camera Club with an Apple and a new digital camera of one mega pixel! (How could I not go there when our neighbor was Don Spear?) Soon he placed one of my Cabo sunrises in the newspaper and on a promotional DVD.) I had done music composition with Coda Finale computer software for many years, so it was an easy transition for me to learn digital photography and photo editing. I have worked with nearly every Camera Club teacher and they have my deepest respect. I am still learning daily -- and the products are collages, many books and DVD's, and matting and framing. The pixels on successive cameras have grown exponentially! Family loves receiving DVD's of gatherings and our travels, and friends are appreciative of photos and collages I make for them from their visits. I am the historian (photographer) for my newcomers group here in GV. While I

have shared several DVDs at Travelogue SIG and sometimes subbed for its coordinator, it is now time for me to give back much more to this wonderful organization and surrounding community.

### **Bruce Magnuson**

I grew up in Southwest Washington where I attended a local college. I completed my college education in Portland, Oregon, majoring in architectural engineering. I retired in 1998 from a large multi-discipline engineering corporation headquartered in Portland; serving as a project manager for large urban projects and teaching the principles of quality management.

After traveling across the United States for a year, my wife and I discovered Green Valley. We purchased a home and became full time residents in 2003. I promptly joined the Camera Club; anxious to further pursue my love of photography and to advance my knowledge of digital photography.

I have served on the Board of Directors for several years. I was a member of the Camera Club's Planning and Evaluation Committee during the political process to secure our new space at Santa Rita Springs. I also served on the Club's Building Committee, working with GVR and the contractor to construct our tenant improvements. I am currently Vice President of Administration.

I would like to continue to serve on the Board of Directors, helping to ensure we remain one of the best Camera Club's in the nation.

### **Mary Jane Nowak**

My professional background is in accounting. My husband and I ran a construction company for many years and I did all the bookkeeping. In 1989 I went to work for another construction company and I did the bookkeeping as well as word processing. Eventually, I became the manager/comptroller. I worked in this position for 14 years. I also became the office manager for a sister company, a retail kitchen and bath company. I retired in 2002.

I started to help the treasurer of the Camera Club in 2006. In 2007, I ran for a position on the board. I was elected treasurer and have been in that position since then.

## **Deborah Sinclair**

As a relatively new 6-monther in Green Valley, I am a two year, but enthusiastic, member of the Camera Club. I've taken a variety of classes, monitor several times a month, enjoy the photo SIG sessions and have contributed to the display projects of the club. I have been taking photographs since I was a teenager and truly enjoy seeing the work of the other club members, learning from them and receiving their suggestions and help. I strongly support this mission of the club.

I have been married 36 years and have one daughter who married last year. No grandchildren yet!

As for my professional background, my major at the University of Colorado was Russian language and literature with a minor in mathematics. Until I was hired as a linguist for the National Security Agency, I worked as a manager in a convenience store and a children's photography studio. I went to law school at the University of Maryland while working at the NSA. After graduation we moved to Tacoma, Washington where I practiced law as a prosecutor and in private practice while my husband trained as a surgeon in the military. I also served as a pro tem judge. Our family moved to Germany for three years where I was unable to practice law, so I volunteered in the Girl Scout organization, recruiting, training and managing 100 troop leaders, as well as leading a troop myself. We then moved to Sierra Vista, AZ, where I started a mediation service. Our last stop before Green Valley was Delta, Colorado, where our main home is still. I started and managed my husband's medical practice until he had to retire in 2002 due to a back disability. I then took the opportunity to pursue another love of mine, golf. I ended up working as a staff member for the Colorado Women's Golf Association for 3 years and volunteering for them and serving as a USGA committee member for a total of 8 years. In that capacity I have worked at a state and national level with a large number of volunteers.

Despite my legal training (I am still a member of the Colorado bar) I view myself primarily as a manager and imagine that would be the primary skill I would bring to the board.

## **Carl H. Sparfeld**

I grew up in North Carolina on an apple orchard, attended Guilford College, graduated from Principia College, Elmhurst, IL. and received an MA from Trinity College, Hartford, CT. After teaching in three different private schools in the East, setting up bookstores at each, I found Green Valley on the internet, visited and purchased a house the first day here. Since I had taught photography, it was only natural to investigate the camera club once I had moved here in June 2004. I have been on the board several years, and as a VP have been in charge of scheduling speakers for the monthly meetings.

The post of Educational Director was created when the club grew and we needed to focus on offering programs, classes, workshops, etc to meet the changing needs of the members. Later, I took over the job as field trip coordinator and have offered a vast number of trips where you as members have opportunities to learn and enjoy what our area has to offer. I also helped develop the 10 week digital classes for the last few years.