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GACC's year was hectic but fun and we learned a lot.

by Dave Alderman
2016 Chairman

I spent the day
raking leaves.

The sprinkler system has long been turned off and drained. I pulled the snow shovel out of the back of the garage, just in case. My skis are waxed and ready to go. I love the change of seasons. But the change to winter is special, because it also brings the thrill and excitement of the holiday season, which means a chance to see family that we may only see on Skype and FaceTime during the rest of the year.



Dave Alderman
2016 Chair

Holiday season for the GACC means several things. For one thing, there is the Avenues Community Choir Holiday Concert. This year it will be on December 20th at Libby Gardner Hall on the University campus.

At our December meeting, we'll do a little business, but then spend most of the evening having a Holiday Party. It's great a chance to visit with neighbors in an informal social setting. Even if you haven't attended a meeting all year, it's still a great opportunity to meet people from all over the Greater Avenues.

The December meeting also marks the changeover to the new officers and Board. Which means this month is the last time you'll see my smiling face on the front of this newsletter. After our December meeting, I'll be turning over the reins to Kim Bowman. I'll still be involved, and just like Dianne Leonard did for me, I plan to provide Kim with all the support he wants.

While being the Chair for the last year has often been hectic, it's also been a lot of fun. I've learned a lot about city planning, land use issues, housing, crime reporting, website design, and even Merry-Go-Rounds. We had the new mayor at one meeting and spent several meetings getting to know the candidates for state and local offices. The GACC also has a very active and involved Board, which provided a lot of support and insight over the last year, and made our monthly board meetings much more interesting.

GACC Community Meeting

Sweet Library

9th Avenue and F Street

December 7, 7:00 p.m.

Reports: Receive timely updates from our Fire, Library, Police, City, County, School Board, and Legislative representatives.

GACC 2017 Budget – Presentation of 2017 budget and approval by Council.

Holiday Party – Join your neighbors in an informal social setting to start off the Holiday Season.

Open Forum — An opportunity for Council members to make brief presentations on items that may be of interest to the Community.

But the best part of the role has been the people that I've met and gotten to know better. I've had Avenues residents call or email about dogs, Parks and Open Spaces, crime, modifications in the historic district, modifications outside the historic district, new developments, and pot holes. And once they've made their comments, they almost always thank me for taking on this role. But really, they've got it backwards. I should thank all of them for the opportunity.

So, thanks for letting me chair the Greater Avenues Community Council for the last year. And good luck to Kim and the new Board for 2017.

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AVENUES COMMUNITY MEETINGS

GACC Council Meeting

Wednesday, December 7, 2016, at 7 p.m., Sweet Library. For special accommodations contact the GACC chair at gaccchair@slc-avenues.org. Open to the public, all welcome.

GACC Board Meeting

Wednesday, December 14, 2016, at 7 p.m., Sweet Library. For special accommodations contact the GACC chair at gaccchair@slc-avenues.org. Open to the public, all welcome.

Community Life / Resources / Free Stuff!

Sweet Branch Library, 455 F Street (at 9th Avenue), 801-594-8651, www.slcp.org. **Kids Calendar:** *Book Baby*, Wednesdays at 10:15 a.m. *Preschool Storytime*, Wednesdays at 11:15 a.m. *Playtime @ Sweet*, Tuesdays at 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. *Playtime for children 0 to 5 years-old* and their caregivers. *Coding Club*, Mondays, 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. Registration is required. Ages 8-18. *STEAM Activity: Theme Angry Birds*, Thursday, December 1 at 4 p.m. *LEGOs at the Library*, Thursday, December 8 at 4 p.m. *Gingerbread Jamboree*, Thursday December 15 at 4 p.m. Children are invited to decorate a gingerbread cookie. Supplies are limited. *Salt Lake Acting Company Presents: Diary of a Worm, a Spider, and a Fly!* Thursday, December 15 at 6:30 p.m. *Family Yoga:* Kimberly Preston. Thursday, December 22 at 4 p.m. *Family Game Time:* Thursday, December 29 at 4 p.m. Families are invited to take a break and play board games, card games, and more! Bring a game to play. **Teen Calendar:** *Coding Club*, Mondays, 4 to 6 p.m. Registration is required. Ages 8-18. *Teen Advisory Board*, December 16, 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. **Adult Calendar:** *Holi-DIY: Create a Holiday Handmade Gift.* Saturday, December 3 at 2 p.m. *Dive into the Database: Consumer Reports (Adult Digital Literacy Class)* Saturday, December 10 at 11 a.m to 1 p.m. **Art Exhibit:** *Precise Nature* by Brooklyn Ottens runs until December 24.

Avenues Exercise Class -Free- Federal Heights LDS Ward, 1300 Fairfax Road. Mondays and Wednesdays, 8:30 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. Stretching, Weights, Mat Pilates. Renate Nebeker 801-534-1443.

Thanks to our Board Members: Every year, we bring on a few new members to our Executive Board. And every year, we have a few current members that decide that they no longer have the time to contribute to the Board, due to work, family

or other commitments. This year, four multi-term Board members are not standing for re-election: • **Jolene Croasmun** – Jolene has been on the Board since 2012 and has been a frequent contributor to the Agenda newsletter. • **Dustin Lipson** – Dustin has been on the Board since 2012 and served as Secretary in 2012. • **Mary Ann Wright** – Mary Ann has been on the Board since 2012 and was Chair in 2014. She also chaired the Street Fair committee in 2013. • **Sydney Fannesbeck** – Sydney’s contributions to the Avenues are too numerous to mention. She has been on the Board, is a past Chair, and represented the Avenues on the City Council. We appreciate the time and effort that these four have contributed to the Greater Avenues Community Council.

Christmas Eve Candle Light Services at First United Methodist Church, 203 2nd East. There will be two Christmas Eve services at FUMC. The traditional service begins at 7 p.m. It includes music from the newly restored historic pipe organ and the FUMC chancel choir. A contemplative prayer and communion service begins at 11 p.m. Both services end with candle lighting and traditional singing of “Silent Night.” All are welcome.

The Annual Holiday Concert of the Salt Lake Avenues Community Choir (SLACC) will be on Tuesday, December 20, at 7:30 p.m. in Libby Gardner Concert Hall at the University of Utah. Admission is free to all.



The Agenda

Publisher's Statement

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You Can Greet Guests To The State Capitol As A Capitol Docent

Be a Tour Guide in Iconic Building

The State Capitol needs to fill some positions as tour guides, who help manage the thousands of persons who visit the building each year.

Docents provide an invaluable service to Capitol visitors, especially visiting school children, by interpreting Utah's unique history and culture and highlighting the Capitol's architecture, artworks, and government functions.

Capitol Docents are stationed at a desk just inside the east doors to the main Capitol building at the Utah State Capitol Complex at 350 North State Street.

The positions are unpaid; you'll have to commit to doing it because you really want to.

Tour guides will take up to four 45- to 55-minute tours per shift.

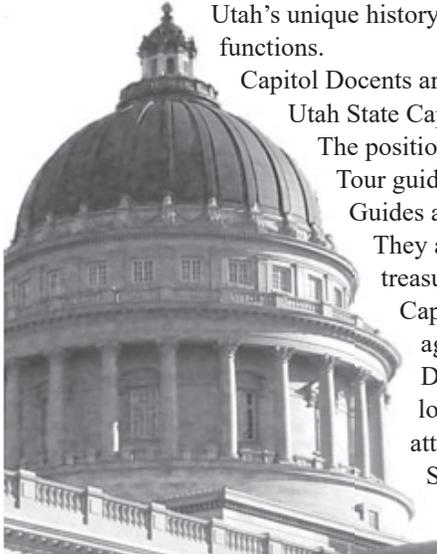
Guides also help with visitors who need to attend meetings or visit with state officials.

They also assist with Capitol stewardship by keeping a watchful eye on the building and its treasured artifacts.

Capitol officials say a background check is required, and you must be at least 18 years of age. It goes without saying that hours and hours of walking and standing are involved.

Docents find themselves meeting with people from all over the world, sometimes bus-loads at a time. Docents develop a special connection with the Capitol community and attend educational workshops, volunteer socials, and outings throughout the year.

Some 10 new docent volunteers are needed by the upcoming legislative session in January, said Emmylou Manwill, manager. Email to capitoltoours@utah.gov if you are interested.



BROWN BIN COLLECTION ANNOUNCEMENT

Waste and Recycling Service Notice From Salt Lake City

In an effort to reduce our impact on the environment and air quality, Salt Lake City Waste and Recycling modifies its winter service schedule while still collecting as much valuable green waste as possible for composting.

Holiday trees are collected in the brown compost can through January 20. Please cut the tree down to fit all the way in the can.

If you have a very large tree, place it on the curb no later than your collection day the week of January 16.

Please remove all lights and trimmings.

No flocked trees: Trees are taken to the composting facility and artificial materials cannot be processed.

The brown compost can will not be collected January 23 to

March 10. The demand for yard waste collection is low during this period, and suspending services will result in:

- An estimated fuel savings of 5,234 gallons
- The elimination of 856 pounds of criteria air pollutants and over 117,600 pounds of CO₂-equivalent
- A reduction in greenhouse gas emissions equivalent of removing 13 passenger vehicles from the road for an entire year.

**Temporary Compost Can Suspension
January 23–March 10, 2017**

If you have remaining autumn yard waste to dispose of, please call Waste and Recycling as soon as possible to request an extra leaves-only can so you can dispose of them before the suspension.

For more information on all of your waste and recycling services, please visit us at SLCgreen.com. You can reach us at 801-535-6999 or slcsanitation@slcgov.com.

Every fall you can request a special can for leaves only

by calling (801) 535-6999 or emailing slcsanitation@slcgov.com. Remember to include your phone number and address. Cans will be provided on a first-come, first-served basis. There is no charge for a "leaves only" can.

You can request a special can for leaves only

garbage collection day.

When you are done, call (801) 535-6999 so another resident can use it. All remaining "leaves only" cans will be retrieved in early January.

Cans are collected weekly, on the same day as

Fix Your Bricks for Better Earthquake Resistance

"Fix The Bricks" Program Available

Unreinforced masonry buildings and homes (URMs) create the greatest risk for the Salt Lake Valley in the expected Utah earthquake. Fix the Bricks facilitates seismic improvements to URMs to save lives.

Determine if your home is at risk and register to receive more information about how to get started including financial incentives available for making seismic improvement.

Right now you can apply for a grant to receive up to 75% of your seismic retrofit cost.

There are an estimated 144,000 unreinforced masonry buildings in Utah.

It is not known when a strong earthquake will hit Utah, or even if it will hit in your lifetime.

Unreinforced masonry homes stand a good chance of falling apart in a high-magnitude quake, possibly injuring or killing the occupants.

In a quake, a URM roof will typically break away



This chimney is typical of many Avenues homes.

from the walls and come down as a unit. The offered program covers tying the roof of your home to the foundations and walls, making safer the most likely damage that could occur.

You can download a useful guide about upgrading URM buildings here: <http://www.bereadyslc.com/>.

According to the guide, "Unreinforced masonry and lightly reinforced masonry dwellings were typically constructed prior to 1975. Beginning in 1973, the building codes began to introduce more significant seismic requirements.

"Such homes were constructed using solid masonry bearing walls without steel reinforcing. Because of these structural deficiencies, URM dwellings can quickly fail during earthquakes and should not be expected to perform adequately during a large earthquake."

Kim Bowman, Brian Hatton Assume GACC Leadership Roles

December sees the changing of the guard at GACC.

Kim M. Bowman Jr. takes over as 2017 chair of our organization and Brian Hatton becomes chair-elect, to take over as chair in 2018.

Kim is an attorney with Bowman & Wawrzynski PLLC and was most recently in the public eye as the lieutenant governor candidate on the Democratic ticket.

Brian is in banking and finance and will be teaching as an adjunct professor at the University of Utah next January.

David Alderman steps down as chair but retains some duties as chairman of the elections committee.

Board members for 2017 were approved previously.



Brian Hatton



Kim M. Bowman Jr.

Our Jill and Dave Honored for Long, Tireless Service

Van Langevelts Honored with Heart & Hands Award

Each year, as part of the Utah Philanthropy Day, members of the Utah Non-Profit Association nominate individuals for the Heart & Hands Award.

This award acknowledges people who have made significant contributions to the organization's cause through their volunteer or philanthropic service.

For 2016, we are pleased to announce that Dave and Jill Van Langeveld have been selected. Dave and Jill have played an active role in the Greater Avenues Community Council for many years.

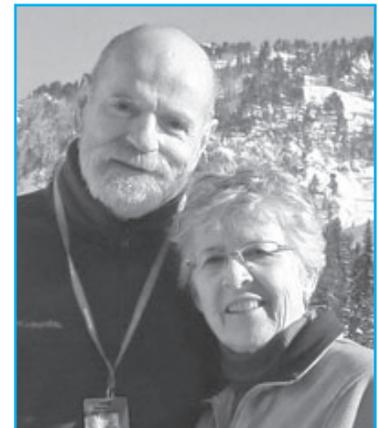
Both are current Board members and past Chairs of the GACC. They have a long history of volunteering at the Street Fair, including overseeing the entertainment for many years.

They are also active with Memory Grove Clean-Up, the Avenues Community Choir, and many other GACC

activities.

Dave and Jill are both retired schoolteachers; he of math and she of home economics. Jill also served many years as an election judge and Dave also taught night classes at Columbia College. Jill was the 2005 Chair for the GACC and Dave was the 2011 Chair. Their GACC service goes back more than 20 years.

They were honored at the Utah Philanthropy Day Luncheon on November 17th.



Dave and Jill Van Langeveld

Mayor's Office Community Liaison

Every month at our general meetings, we have an update from our Community Liaison with the Mayor's Office.

The Liaison role is part of the Community Empowerment Team, with an official mission statement to provide residents with the resources necessary to engage with city government in an efficient, effective, and caring manner.

In practice, they are responsible for not only communicating issues to the Community Council, but also taking issues from the community back to the Mayor's office.

The Community Liaison for our area is Nate Salazar. Nate grew up just down the street from us in the East Central

neighborhood. He attended Bryant Middle School and East High.

Nate is very familiar with the role of Community Councils, since he was actively involved in the Douglas Neighborhood Association and served as the vice-chair of East Central Community Council. Since 2013, he has served as chair of the Salt Lake County Democratic Hispanic Caucus.

Nate is the president and co-founder of the Frank Cordova Foundation. In



Nate Salazar

2014, Nate was appointed to serve on the Salt Lake City Public Library board of directors, and served as vice chair of the board.

Nate holds a Master's degree in Social Work with an emphasis in Community Based Practice. He currently teaches in the school of Social Work at the University of Utah.

Sweet Library will close at 1 p.m., Saturday, December 24, Christmas Eve. It will also be closed on Monday, December 26. On New Years' Eve, Sweet branch will close at 6 p.m. Also, Sweet will be closed on Monday, January 2.

TO HEAL MENTAL ILLNESS, WE HAVE TO TALK ABOUT IT.

#ShareTheStruggle

1 in 3 people will struggle with mental illness in their lifetime. To heal mental illness, the other **2 in 3 people** need to help talk about it.

For resource materials and ideas that will help you **#sharethestruggle**, visit ldshospital.org/share.

WARNING SIGNS OF ANXIETY & DEPRESSION

- Social withdrawal
- Difficulty at school and/or work
- Changes in sleeping and/or eating habits
- Mood changes
- Drug abuse
- Talk of suicide

HOW TO START THE CONVERSATION

Be up front and let the person know you are concerned:

- "I'm worried about you. Can we talk about what you are going through?"
- "Can we talk about what you are experiencing right now?"
- "I care about you and want to help you."
- "What can I do to help you right now?"



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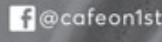
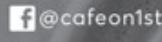
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#ShareTheStruggle

THIS MONTH'S MEETING:
WEDNESDAY,
DECEMBER 7, 2016,
7:00 P.M.
SWEET LIBRARY,
9TH AVE. AT F STREET

Dated material. Please deliver in-home not later than December 3

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