"The Coachella Valley Desert Camera Club is dedicated to educating, enjoying and mastering the art and science of photography, through shared experience, friendship and social connection."

Dear Members,

As you know, the club reached a turning point this summer, with the passing of our Co-President and chief engineer Gary Vandemark, and the retirement of Co-President Jeanne Scott. The club also began operating on a new platform and website, Visual Pursuits, thanks to Gary's efforts over many months this year.

With their service in mind, *please note that our club operates solely by the efforts of individuals lending their time and talents*. The board, normally a group of 8 people, is currently needing additional members for the upcoming 2026 season. We're seeking club members who are devoted to the photographic arts, who are enthusiastic about serving the club as it enters a new chapter.

Board members must be willing to assume certain responsibilities in support of the club's mission, and be able to participate in monthly meetings, either in person or via Zoom. Following club-wide elections each November, actual positions and duties are appointed from within the board itself. Members bring diverse talents and experiences, with energy and enthusiasm being most important. The current board members are:

- Craig Toms, President
- Darcy Quimby, Vice President
- John Erdman, Treasurer
- Deb Law, Secretary
- Greg Lilly, Field Trip and Photochat Chair
- Bob Rufer, Membership Outreach and Social Chair

Board membership can be challenging from time to time, but working with a great group of people makes it rewarding and fun. If you're interested in joining in and helping to serve the club, please email Craig Toms at **president@cvdcc.org** with a brief background, relevant skills and your interest in serving.

Thank You!

The CVDCC Board