

**Calling All Members!
Come to our Annual Membership Meeting!**

**Sunday, November 5
2:00 to 4:00 pm
E.P. Foster Library Topping Room**

In the spirit of celebrating Ventura County's 150th anniversary, our guest speaker will be Deborah Holt Larkin.

Deborah's memoir, **A Lovely Girl: The Tragedy of Olga Duncan and the Trial of One of California's Most Notorious Killers** recalls her childhood in Ventura during this notorious trial as her father was immersed in daily reporting on the case.

Deborah's father was Bob Holt. Many of you may remember Bob Holt's deadline reporting and whimsical columns during his 34 year career with the Ventura Star-Free Press and will surely enjoy learning more about his influence on his daughter during this turbulent time.

Her book will be available for purchase and signing at the event.

Her presentation will be followed by a brief business meeting to receive the Treasurer's report, elect the Officers for 2024 and vote on a bylaw change.

Proposed Slate of Officers for 2024

PRESIDENT: Mary Olson
VICE PRESIDENT: Carolyn Briggs
TREASURER: Annie Winch
RECORDING SECRETARY: Ellen Klope
CORRESPONDING SECRETARY: Star Soto
Nominations will also be taken from the floor at the Annual Meeting.

*Thank you,
Elizabeth Ammons, David Bayer,
Steve Noll and Christine Weber
for your generous donations.*

It seems that now every year brings another adjustment to our bylaws, often due to changes in the day to day activities of our organization. This year, our bylaw changes are recommended by the Governing Documents Committee to clarify the meaning of "in good standing", to provide consistency throughout the document and to permit notifications to be made by electronic transmission (as opposed to postal mail only).

To: Members, Ventura Friends of the Library
From: Board of Directors, Ventura Friends of the Library
Date: October 10, 2023
Subject: BYLAWS - PROPOSED CHANGE

Please review the proposed change to the Association's Bylaws. Proposed **deletion** is in ~~strikeout~~. Proposed addition is in **bold underscore italic**.

We will vote on the proposed change at our November 5, 2023 General Meeting. The Board of Directors has reviewed and supports the proposed change.

ARTICLE IV – OFFICERS

Section 2. Eligibility. To be eligible to serve as an officer, a member must be in good standing, **having paid dues in a timely fashion and adhering to all governing documents.**

Section 4. Duties.

c. Recording Secretary. The Recording Secretary shall:
2) Preserve in a permanent file all official records of the Association; ~~other than financial records.~~

e. Treasurer. The Treasurer shall;

4) Deliver all books, records, and related papers **for the annual review** to the Financial Reviewer **immediately following his or her appointment** ~~by the end of the second month of the fiscal year for annual review.~~

ARTICLE VII – MEETINGS

Section 1. General Membership.

a. Regular Meetings.

2) Calls to the meetings shall be ~~mailed~~ **sent** to all members two (2) weeks prior to meetings.

c. Special Meetings. Special general membership meetings may be called by the President, a majority of the Board, or by petition of ten percent (10%) of the members upon one (1) week notice ~~mailed~~ **sent** to the members stating the purpose of the meeting.

ARTICLE IX – FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY

Section 7. Financial Review. A financial reviewer shall be appointed by the Board, at its ~~first meeting of the new fiscal year~~ **meeting in the third month of the fiscal year**, to review the Treasurer's records and report to the Board at a subsequent regular meeting, but no later than the sixth meeting of the new fiscal year. Financial review details are documented in the Standing Rules.

ARTICLE XV – AMENDMENTS

Section 2. Member Consideration. These bylaws may be amended or revised at a general membership meeting of this Association by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those present and voting, provided notice and a copy of the proposal has been ~~mailed~~ **sent** to all members two (2) weeks prior to the meeting at which the proposal shall be considered.