January Newsletter

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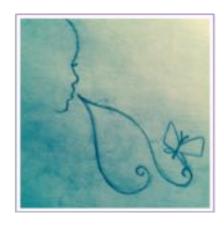
2014 was a big year for AVD! In April we attended our first community event at the Ventura County Autism Society's Aut2Run fundraiser to raise awareness about our cause. In September we received our official 501(c)3 status. In November we hosted our first annual Casino Night and Silent Auction Fundraiser.

First Annual Casino Night Fundraiser

In November we hosted our first annual Casino Night and Silent Auction Fundraiser at the Four Brix Winery with Scratch providing the food and Aces and 8s providing the entertainment. We had a fantastic turn out thanks to all who attended, donated and volunteered their time! Many local businesses donated wonderful items which made our silent auction and raffle very exciting. We want to thank Beacon Coffee, The Aireal Studio, Yoga Jones, We Olive Ventura, Tobi Edinger, Lighthouse Massage, Jessica Samland, Warran Barrett, Underwood Farms, Island Packers, Bookworm, Dr. Cimodoro of Bodyfix, Mister Rogers, and Eternally Yours Photography. We look forward to the 2015 Casino Night Fundraiser

AVD Receives Generous Donations

In addition to the successful Casino Night, we also have received many generous donations throughout the year that are helping us to fulfill our mission of providing information, services and equipment to people with complex communication needs. We would not be able to do this without the support from our donors. We thank each and everyone of your for your support!



Upcoming Events

April 19, 2015

Look for us at Ventura County Autism Society's Aut2Run

Fall 2015 (TBD)

2nd Annual Casino Night and Silent Auction

Important Announcements

AVD receives official 501(c)3 status as a tax exempt organization.

AVD uses donation money and equipment donations to start an AAC lending library. Read more on page 2.

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More Important News

Lending Library Started

Some of the donations that we have received include communication equipment that we have been able to lend to people for communication device trials. The trials are an important part of determining the appropriate system before purchasing the system or pursing funding for a communication system.



Silent Auction Items In addition, your donations have allowed us to purchase various switches, a simple mounting system, and a couple of switch activated toys that will also be available to lend to families/caregivers to determine the best fit before purchasing. With the donations we receive we will continue to add to our library each year with the goal of building a comprehensive lending library for people in the Ventura County area with complex communication needs. Please share this information with families/caregivers who may be interested or contact us for more information.

2015 Goals

Our goals for 2015 include to continue to spread the word about our mission and what we can do for people with complex communication needs by attending local events and providing local informational workshops. We also are looking to work not only with individuals who need assistance but organizations who need assistance to provide services to people with complex communication needs.

Please pass along our information to anyone who may be interested.

Volunteer Opportunities

If you are interested in supporting us in any of our upcoming events, please email info@avoicediscovered.com or if you know of any local events that we should attend to spread our information please let us know.

THANK YOU AGAIN TO ALL OF OUR DONORS AND SUPPORTERS!



Aut 2 Run Table



Casino Night Fun!

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