



2005 Aspen Valley Land Trust Board of Directors

Dave Bellack, Senior Vice President and General Counsel of Aspen Skiing Company joined the AVLT Board in April 2004. As a member of Colorado Ski Country U.S.A Board of Trustees and past member and president of the City of Denver Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, he brings a wealth of experience to AVLT. He is a graduate of Leadership Aspen, a former member of the Club 20 Executive Committee, and a participant in the “50 for Colorado” leadership training program of the Colorado Association of Commerce and Industry. Prior to joining the Aspen Skiing Company in 1995, Bellack served as the Assistant City Attorney for the City of Aspen and practiced law in Denver before moving to Aspen. He has published numerous articles on corporate and liability issues. Dave lives with his family in Carbondale.

Jim Cardamone has lived in the Roaring Fork Valley since 1981, after graduating from Middlebury College with a degree in American Literature. His professional experience has been primarily in sales and marketing as a real estate broker. He is currently a broker with Mason and Morse Realtors in Carbondale, and is an avid outdoorsman. He has been a member of the AVLT Board since 2001, and took office as President of the AVLT Board in January 2005. He currently lives with his family in Emma, Colorado.

Susan Hassol is a researcher and science writer focusing on global environmental change and energy issues. She recently co-authored a report to Congress on the impacts of climate change on the United States and a book on alternative energy strategies to address global warming. Susan is an active volunteer for land preservation and environmental concerns and has been a member of the AVLT Board since 2001. She now lives with her family in Basalt.

Sandy Jackson took over her father Carter’s seat on the AVLT board in January 2005, as she simultaneously assumed management responsibilities of the family ranch in Glenwood Springs, Colorado. Sandy teaches anthropology/archaeology, outdoor studies and Spanish for Colorado Mountain College and her courses have taken her on many fabulous trips around the country and the world. Sandy has been participated first-hand in the land conservation process, as she helped her parents dedicate conservation easements on their 300-acre ranch in 1995 and 2003.

Chuck Johnson has lived in the Roaring Fork Valley since 1994. In that time he has been active in numerous organizations, including the former Western Colorado Agricultural Heritage Fund, for whom who served as a Board member from 2000 until 2003. He now serves on the AVLT Board and is President of the Glenwood Springs Rural Fire Protection District. His professional background is in forest management and preservation, and includes serving for 32 years as the Executive Director of the Du Page

County Forest Preserve District in Illinois, where he helped acquire 23,000 acres of multiple resource lands. He also initiated the creation of and served for 20 years on the board of the Forest Foundation of Du Page County, Illinois. Throughout his career he received many awards, including the Cornelius Amory Pugsley gold medal from the National Park Foundation for outstanding leadership as a professional park administrator. Previously, Chuck served for many years as a Board member and President of the National Association of County Park and Recreation Officials, and as a Board member of the National Society of Park Resources.

Louis Meyer is a Professional Civil Engineer and the President of Schmueser Gordon Meyer, a Civil Engineering and Surveying Company with offices in Glenwood Springs, Aspen, Crested Butte and Meeker. Mr. Meyer's professional expertise is with water and wastewater engineering. Mr. Meyer has been involved with the design of the Water Treatment facilities for Aspen, Basalt, Carbondale, Glenwood Springs, New Castle, Silt, Rifle and Granby. Mr Meyer is a board member of Sunlight Mountain Resort, Advocate Safehouse, SGM Springs Center Properties, Granby/SilverCreek Water Authority, a member of the Carbondale Rotary Club, and is a Senior Fellow of the American Leadership Forum.

Wally Obermeyer joined the AVL T Board in September 2004. He is head of Obermeyer Asset Management Company, and chairs its Investment Committee. Wally also serves as one of the firm's Directors. He has broad financial and business management experience, including management of the family ski apparel business and a hydro-electric generation company. Wally holds an MBA from Harvard Business School and a BA from Harvard College with a major in Economics. He is a pilot and long-time outdoor enthusiast currently residing in Aspen, Colorado.

David W. Parker is a partner in Bald Mountain Development, a Colorado based real estate development company. He is also a partner in Wetbank, a company which creates wetlands, wetlands banks, and environmentally amortized real estate developments. Prior to founding Bald Mountain, David was a Vice President with Hines, an international development firm with offices throughout the US. David has Bachelors and Masters degrees from Stanford University. He has completed multiple conservation development projects in partnership with the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests. He has been an AVL T Board member since 2000.

Cathy Porter took office as Board Treasurer in January 2005. Cathy has been a financial analyst and commercial lender for the past 8 years and is currently Assistant Vice President with Vectra Banks in Aspen. In addition to her financial acumen, she brings experience in land conservation from her work with the Nature Conservancy in Boulder. Cathy currently lives in Basalt.

Sue Anshutz Rodgers, a long-time Carbondale resident and owner of the Crystal River Ranch, was a Board member of the Western Colorado Heritage Fund from 2000 to 2003, before its merger with AVL T. She is the President and Executive Director of the Anschutz Family Foundation based in Denver. She serves on many philanthropic boards

including the Aspen Music Festival and School, Boy Scouts of America (Denver Area Council), The Buffalo Bill Historical Center, The Colorado Cattlemen's Agricultural Land Trust, Crow Canyon Archeological Center, Denver Museum of Natural History, the Menninger Clinic of Topeka Kansas, Morris Animal Foundation, National Stroke Association, National Western Stock Show, and Up With People. She has contributed to many civic committees and maintains active memberships in the Central City Opera Association, the Colorado Historical Society, the Junior League and the Rotary Club of Denver. Ms. Rodgers has a longstanding interest in education, history, archaeology, animal welfare, and land preservation.

Steve Smith has been on the AVLТ Board since 2000, having previously worked for 12 years as Senior Congressional Assistant for Congressman David Skaggs of Colorado, and as Assistant Regional Representative for the Sierra Club. He now works with the Wilderness Society in Denver, though he remains a dedicated Glenwood Springs-based environmental activist with extensive experience in accomplishing large and complex projects, including the protection of North St. Vrain Creek, the designation of several wilderness areas, and the creation of national wildlife refuges at Two Ponds, Rocky Flats nuclear weapons plant, and the Rocky Mountain Arsenal in Colorado.

Lathrop Strang was born and raised on his family's ranch outside of Carbondale where he still lives and works today. He holds a master's degree in architecture from CU Denver and has worked as an architect in the area for the past six years. Prior to that, he worked as a carpenter and rancher. He earned a bachelor's degree in Environmental Conservation from CU Boulder. Lathrop was a member of the Board of Directors for the Western Colorado Agricultural Heritage Fund from 2000 until its merger with AVLТ in 2003. He is currently assisting his parents in placing a conservation easement on their beautiful Missouri Heights cattle and horse ranch.

Chuck Vidal is currently Vice President of the AVLТ Board, and a former Executive Director of AVLТ. A well-respected real estate professional, Chuck has over 30 years experience in real estate development. He has successfully completed many large preservation projects on behalf of the land trust and private owners. He is currently affiliated with the Conservation Fund, a national organization dedicated to land preservation through purchase and resale, and is a former Board member of the Western Colorado Agricultural Heritage Fund. Chuck has been a member of the AVLТ Board since 1999, and lives with his wife in Carbondale, Colorado.