

# POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR LIFE TIME MEMBERSHIP

Victor Valley Gem and Mineral Club

## Life-Time Membership

According to the board meeting of January 4, 2004, a person may be nominated for life-time membership in the club by the following procedure:

The club member wishing to nominate another club member for life-time membership shall obtain a nomination form from the membership chairperson (the form original is held in the file of master forms and copies are to be held by the membership chairperson). The nominating party must complete the form, including outstanding accomplishments by the nominee and submit it to the board of directors to be read at the next regular board meeting.

Upon reviewing the nominating form, the board will determine if the individual meets the minimum requirements for life-time membership which are:

1. A minimum of 10 years of active service to the club (dates will be checked by the membership chairperson).
2. A contribution to the club through faithful service, instruction, holding office or any other major contribution that has been made by that individual making them outstanding in accomplishments for the benefit of the club.

A vote will be taken by the board members. The board members will sign and date the nomination form if they are in agreement that the individual nominated has met the qualifications. The board will then present that membership with their recommendation of the nomination at the next General business meeting. The accomplishments of the nominee will be read to the general membership at that meeting and a vote taken.

Upon approval of the general membership, the nominee will be notified in writing with a Life-Time Membership certificate within 5 days following the general business meeting.

A Life-Time member receives no other favor that exemption from paying the annual dues of the club.

*Note: Life-Time Membership is not awarded based solely on length of membership in the club. An individual may have been a dues paying member for over 30 years, but has not attended regular business meetings or club functions and therefore does not qualify on longevity alone.*