2017 Special Sections
Effective January 1 through December 31, 2017
Top ten reasons to advertise in a Newspaper Special Section

- Special sections allow you to focus your ads on a specific target market.
- Special sections create marketplaces within the newspaper to draw targeted audiences. In some cases, special sections create a marketplace where none has been before. They can also tie-in to a specific event or time of year making it more relevant for the reader.
- Special sections add content support for your advertising.
- We typically promote special sections — getting incremental traffic for your ads. Often special sections are distributed at major events or in other ways to enhance your audience, as well.
- Special sections are typically stand-alone sections within the newspaper making them and your ad easily located.
- Special sections are typically saved, giving your ad longer shelf life.
- Special sections often tie your brand name closely to the community you serve.
- Special sections are great opportunities for co-op and vendor funding.
- Special sections are great ways to test the viability of the newspaper.
- Special sections allow you to finitely target merchandise and services that would appeal to the special section reader.

Source: Newspaper Association of America

JANUARY - 2017

20 American Heart Awareness (ROP)
Heart disease is the leading cause of death in the United States. Its victims are women and men, and people of all backgrounds and ethnicities, in all regions of our country. Although heart disease is one of our Nation’s most costly and widespread health problems, it is among the most preventable. Also publishes in the Antelope Valley Express Saturday, January 21.
Deadline: Friday, January 13, 5 p.m.

29 Dining & Entertainment Magazine
The Dining & Entertainment magazine is an excellent opportunity to engage a broad audience! Full-color, premium paperstock and designed with a fresh look—this is your ideal venue to showcase culinary delights, entertainment, festivals, exhibits, or ... Deadeline: Friday, January 6, 5 p.m.

FEBRUARY

5 AV Best Campaign (ROP) — Standard.
A strong campaign wins! We’re offering special discounts so that you can launch an effective campaign to become Antelope Valley’s Best. Beginning Sunday February 5 through Sunday, February 26, your campaign ads will run throughout the entire paper. Also publishes in the Antelope Valley Press Express Saturday, February 11 and 18.
Deadline: Thursday, February 2, 5 p.m.

19 A Perfect Wedding — Standard.
Showscases current wedding trends with colorful photos and informative articles. Includes honeymoon ideas, plans and destinations. This year’s A Perfect Wedding will be available at no charge to all attendees at the Annual Bridal Show on Sunday, February 26, 2017.
Deadline: Thursday, February 2, 5 p.m.

25 Businesspeople — Tabloid.
Publishes in conjunction with the Antelope Valley Board of Trade’s Business Outlook Conference. This widely read and retained section showcases Antelope Valley Businesspeople.
Deadline: Friday, February 3, 5 p.m.

MARCH

12 Future Leaders — Tabloid.
This highly-regarded and well-read special section spotlights outstanding young people who are currently making a contribution to our community and who seem destined to fill future leadership roles.
Deadline: Friday, February 10, 5 p.m.

15 Child Abuse Prevention (ROP)
Child abuse affects children of every age, race and income level. A first step in helping or getting help for an abused or neglected child is to identify the signs and symptoms. Also publishes in the Antelope Valley Press Express Saturday, March 18.
Deadline: Friday, February 10, 5 p.m.

APRIL

9 Easter Worship — Tabloid.
Includes local special Easter services and celebrations.
Deadline: Friday, March 24, 5 p.m.

21 Popp’y Festival — Tabloid.
Publishes in conjunction with the City of Lancaster’s Popp’y Festival. Includes a schedule of Popp’y Festival weekend events.
Deadline: Thursday, April 6, 5 p.m.

26 AV Best Winners — Tabloid.
Businesses voted Antelope Valley’s Best, by readers of the Antelope Valley Press. Also publishes in the Antelope Valley Press Express Saturday, April 29.
Deadline: Thursday, March 30, 5 p.m.

MAY

7 Mother’s Day — Standard.
A celebration of all aspects of motherhood. The perfect place for Mother’s Day gift ideas. Features winners of the popular Draw Your Mom contest.
Deadline: Friday, April 21, 5 p.m.

9 National Cancer Survivors Page (ROP)
Celebrating National Cancer Survival Month, it includes a listing of local hotlines.
Deadline: Friday, May 5, 5 p.m.

JUNE

11 Father’s Day — Standard.
A look at today’s fathers. Includes gift ideas. Features winners of the Draw Your Dad contest.
Deadline: Friday, June 2, 5 p.m.

AV Scrapbook/AV History — Tabloid.
A huge hit with readers and contributors. AV Scrapbook takes readers on a journey through Antelope Valley history in snapshots and memoirs.
Deadline: Friday, June 2, 5 p.m.

JULY

11 Active Senior Living — Tabloid.
Special section highlights the lives of Valley seniors, events and activities here in the Antelope Valley with tips on how to make the golden years happy, healthy and financially independent.
Deadline: Friday, June 23, 5 p.m.

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Deadline: Friday, June 23, 5 p.m.

AUGUST

16 Antelope Valley Fair — Tabloid.
Our comprehensive, highly read and retained guide to everything that’s happening at the AV Fair. Also publishes in the Antelope Valley Press Express, Saturday, August 19.
Deadline: Friday, August 4, 5 p.m.
25 Football Kickoff — Standard. An exciting preview of local college as well as local high school players, coaches, teams and fans. Includes a game schedule. 
Deadline: Friday, August 11, 5 p.m.

SEPTEMBER
21 World Alzheimer’s Day (ROP) — Every year on September 21, Alzheimer associations across the globe unite to recognize World Alzheimer’s Day in many ways. Also publishes in the Antelope Valley Press Express Saturday, September 23.
Deadline: Friday, September 15, 5 p.m.

OCTOBER
3 Breast Cancer Survivor Page (ROP) — Includes breast cancer survivor photos and support group listings.
Deadline: Friday, September 29, 5 p.m.
18 HDMG Senior Expo — Tabloid. Publishes in conjunction with the High Desert Medical Group Senior Expo.
Deadline: Friday, September 22, 5 p.m.
Deadline: Friday, October 6, 5 p.m.
29 Welcome — Tabloid. Our most popular annual section, includes everything you need or want to know about living in the High Desert.
Deadline: Friday, September 15, 5 p.m.

NOVEMBER
3 Diabetes Awareness (ROP) — Diabetes is the 5th deadliest disease in the United States. Studies provided by the American Diabetes Association show that 25.8 million children and adults in the U.S. — 8.3% of the population — have diabetes. Find out the facts about diabetes care to avoid complications. Also publishes in the Antelope Valley Press Express Saturday, November 4.
Deadline: Friday, October 27, 5 p.m.
9 Home for the Holidays — Tabloid. Brimming with local holiday activities and information about parades, tree-lighting ceremonies, church events, holiday recipes, decorating ideas and more. Also publishes in the Antelope Valley Press Express, Saturday, November 11.
Deadline: Friday, October 27, 5 p.m.
23 Holiday Gifts — Standard. Filled with the latest gift-giving ideas. Plus our Annual Christmas design contest winning artwork featured.
Deadline: Friday, November 10, 5 p.m.

DECEMBER
6 Holiday Worship — Tabloid. Features holiday religious services and programs.
Deadline: Monday, November 20, 5 p.m.

3 Last Minute Gifts — Banner pages. Designed with the last minute shopper in mind! This is the perfect opportunity to provide readers with last-minute gift giving ideas for family and friends. Publishes December 3, 10, 14, and 17.
Deadline: Adhere to display space deadlines.

17 Christmas Eve Services — Banner pages. Features holiday religious services and programs.
Deadline: Tuesday, December 12, 5 p.m.

HOLIDAY SCRAMBLES

Holiday Scrambles (ROP) — Standard. Six times a year, Antelope Valley Press residents can play the Holiday Scramble. When your ad appears in the Scramble, readers will have a chance to unscramble your name. Readers send in the entry form with their answers and can win prizes for a dinner for two from a local restaurant. The Scramble dates for 2017 are:

February 14 Valentine’s Day
Deadline: Thursday, February 9, 5 p.m.
April 16 Easter
Deadline: Wednesday, April 12, 5 p.m.
July 4 Independence Day
Deadline: Thursday, June 29, 5 p.m.
October 31 Halloween
Deadline: Thursday, October 26, 5 p.m.
November 23 Thanksgiving
Deadline: Monday, November 20, 5 p.m.
December 25 Christmas
Deadline: Wednesday, December 20, 5 p.m.

Ask your representative about the Scramble today! It’s a great way to generate awareness for your business!

SPECIAL FEATURE PAGES

Special Feature Pages (ROP) — Standard. The Antelope Valley Press is proud to highlight a variety of causes that are important to our readers and our community. These pages are a great opportunity to connect with your clients in a unique and impactful way.