

GATEWAY MILERS CLUB MEETING MINUTES Aug 16, 2016

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President: Bill Badger

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Treasurer: Cindy Stucky

Secretary: Lois La Fleur - fleurs1106@gmail.com

Directors: Deb Kruep, Carol Reznicek, and Mark Mackey

Members: We have 70 club members!

Treasurer: Cindy is working the Gatlinburg trip and March to the Arch deposits plus the Branson Trip. It is great we have so many walks and activities going on. We have \$15,177.42 with \$5,281.14 Gatlinburg monies.

Updates on Upcoming Walks and Adventures:

Gatlinburg 8/24-8/28 – POC-Deb Kruep: We have 32 signed up for the trip. The East Tennessee Wanders will join us on several of the walks. A special thank you to Mark Mackey for providing the food for the trip.

- **March to the Arch 9/11** – POC-Rosalie Maul: We have over 148 signed up. The 5K walk is approved. The Girl Scouts are joining us which is great. Go to our website and there is a link to register for the walk. Remember this is a pre-registered only walk. We will have teal/green balloons and the AVA walk at the 21 miles, 10k/5k sign up location.

- **Fall Foliage Walk in Godfrey 10/15** – POC-Lois La Fleur: There are two 5k routes both with beautiful views. Looks like the Girl Scouts will join us for the walk. Check out more about the walk on our website.

- **Branson Trip 11/4-11/6** – POC-Deb Kruep: Registrations are coming in. It will be a great time of year to view the Holiday lights. Check our website for all the information. We hope you will join us enjoying the holidays in Branson.

Traditional Walks for 2017

- **Feb 18th, Madigras Madness** – Belleville: POC Deb Kruep: She is working on the route for a great walk.

- **May 6th, Souldard and Lafayette** – POC Cindy and Tom Stucky: They are working with the Lafayette Business Association for approval. They have mapped out the 5 and 10K route.

- **May 20th, Southern Illinois Univ - Edwardsville Univ Walk** – POC Bill and Linda Badger: They are working with the SIUE staff to map a walk through their campus and use their facilities for our start/finish location.

Aug 26th, The Boulevard – Belleville POC: Lois La Fleur and Carol Reznicek

Sep 11th, March to the Arch – St Louis POC: Rosalie Maul

- **Oct 14th, Salt Lick Reserves – Valmeyer:** POC: Deb Kruep and Cindy Stucky: A favorite is returning!!

Year Round Events (YREs):

- Edwardsville IL POCs: Linda and Bill Badger; Kimmswick MO (our newest YRE) POCs: Cindy and Tom Stucky; and O'Fallon IL POC: Lois La Fleur; Katy Bike Trail; POCs: Debra Kruep and Missy McBride
- All YREs are listed on the AVA website under the Event section. They are now on the 2017 AVA Event List.

Mid-America Conference Oct 28-30th: It would be great as the newest club to have some representation. Several of us are going to the event. If interested in going let us know, we are trying to car pool.

Gifts from San Diego Rockhoppers: Although it saddens us to see another AVA club close we were very lucky to have them think of our new club and pass on to us all their supplies. Thank you to Steve D'Adolf for all he has done for AVA all these years.

Girl Scouts – We will have several troops enrolling in the AVA Master's Program. It will be wonderful having them join us on many of our walks.

ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR:

- We are adding another trip for Sept 2017! We will be doing an Inn to Inn a San Francisco Treat. This trip will only have a limited amount of space due to the small number of rooms at the Bed and Breakfasts. Everyone must be able to walk a minimum of 7 miles each day for 5 days. The trip will include: The Golden State Bridge, Sausalito, The Marin Headlands, Muir Beach, and Muir Woods.
- **Nuts about Walking** is our theme for a basket we are putting together for the Mid America Weekend Regional Event Oct 29-30 in the Indianapolis area. We are asking for “nuts” donations for the basket. You could bring the donations to our club meeting Oct 4th. Thanks so much.

NEXT MEETING: Our next meeting is Oct 4th at Fortel’s Pizza Restaurant. Meet at 6:15 if you would like to order food. Meeting will start at 6:30pm.

Lois La Fleur, Gateway Milers Secretary