GATEWAY MILERS CLUB MEETING MINUTES Mar 3, 2020

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President: Lois La Fleur - fleurs1106@gmail.com

Vice-President: Rosalie Maul Treasurer: Cindy Stucky Secretary: Ann Mattingly

Directors: Paul Gorom, Gordon Brown, Mark Mackey

Members: We have 84 club members!

<u>Treasurer:</u> We have a balance of \$8778.83. The Gateway Milers have converted to the calendar year for accounting purposes. A short year return has been filed and received by the IRS.

Recent Activities: Our first special walk of the season was the University City Year-Round Event on Jan 18th. Twenty-five walkers participated and contributed 42 canned goods to the Trinity Presbyterian Church food pantry.

Proposed activities for 2020:

- **Bunny Hop March 14:** POCs Paul and Regina Gorom: Our walk will begin at the Masonic Lodge. Come early and take advantage of the Masonic Lodge All You Can Eat Breakfast annual breakfast. The walk starts at 9 am and breakfast begins at 7 am. Sixteen businesses are participating in the Bunny Hop walk. There will be a 5k and 10k option and the walks will not change from last year.
- French Lick, Indiana April 17-19: The Gateway Milers are going on a weekend walking trip to French Lick, Indiana on Saturday, April 18th. The Bedford Hiking Club is sponsoring this AVA walk at the French Lick Resort. In the afternoon some of us are taking a scenic railway ride. If you would like to join us, we recommend going to their website at Frenchlickscenicrailway.org to purchase tickets for the 1 pm train on April 18th. Then on Sunday we will walk the Spring Mill State Park YRE. For more information, check the Gateway Milers website.
- **Bunco Social Event April 24:** We will be getting together for an evening of fun and bunco at Rosalie Maul's house, 1779 Bentwater Lane, O'Fallon, IL. Please bring you own drinks and feel free to bring an appetizer to share.
- **Missouri County Weekend Walk May 23-25:** The Gateway Milers, St. Louis-Stuttgart and the Dogwood Trailblazers are sponsoring the walks. The Gateway Milers will sponsor the Lincoln County walk on May 25th at Cuivre River State Park. The start time of the walk has not been determined. We will need to take into consideration the hours of the visitor's center and the travel time required to get there for the people staying in Washington, MO on Sunday night. More to follow.
- **St. Peters, MO September 26:** POCs Gary and Mary Jane Obernuefemann : A pavilion has been reserved and a BBQ will follow the walk. More to follow.
- **Nature Institute, Godfrey, IL October 10:** POCs Lois La Fleur and Rosalie Maul: We are celebrating our 5th club anniversary at this walk. A chili cook-off is planned to help us celebrate. More to follow.

Year Round Events

- **Edwardsville IL** POCs: Linda and Bill Badger
- **O'Fallon IL** POC: Lois La Fleur: We have a new 10K so make sure you take directions. We also have two 5K walks to choose from.
- **Oakland Historic District-Belleville** POC: Rosalie Maul
- **Hermann MO** POC: Elizabeth McCartney
- **Kirkwood MO** POCs: Cindy and Tom Stucky
- University City MO POCs: Deanne and Gordon Brown There are minor changes to the route.
- **O'Fallon IL Bike seasonal event:** Lois La Fleur and Rosalie Maul
- NOTE: Cuivre River State Park Seasonal Walk starts Feb 1st 2020. Our first walk will be Feb 22nd 2020.

Walk Ideas for 2020:

- Columbia, MO tentative date May 16th.
- **Herman, MO** tentative date May 30th.
- Clayton, MO possible July date. We can't reserve a date for a pavilion until March. More to follow.
- **Brentwood, Mo** possible walk.

Items from the Floor:

Reminder: Our 2020 Gateway Miler membership form is on our website. We will have the membership form available at our traditional walks.

Start times of walks will change to 9:00 a.m. with check in at 8:45 a.m. at the end of May/beginning of June. Check the website for start times of all walks

Club still needs a volunteer for an assistant web master. If interested, please contact Lois - fleurs1106@gmail.com.

NEXT MEETING: Our next meeting is May 12th. Meeting location to be determined.

Ann Mattingly Gateway Milers Secretary