GATEWAY MILERS CLUB MEETING MINUTES May 10, 2016

President: Bill Badger

Vice-President: Rosalie Maul Treasurer: Cindy Stucky

Secretary: Lois La Fleur - fleurs1106@gmail.com

Directors: Deb Kruep, Carol Reznicek, and Mark Mackey

Members: We have 58 club members!

Updates on Upcoming Walks and Adventures:

Schorr Lake Winery 6/4 – POC Deb Kruep: Trail is ready to go. Deb, Carol, Rosalie, and Linda Kahley are marking the trail. The winery is very excited for us to have the walk and bring new people to their home.

<u>Gatlinburg 8/24-8/28</u> – POC-Deb Kruep: Carol Reznicek is helping Deb with this trip. We now have 28 signed up for the trip so far. We still have seats available so please contact Deb if you want to join us.

- <u>March to the Arch 9/11</u> POC-Rosalie Maul: Walk is sanctioned and now on the AVA website. Go to our website and there is a link to register for the walk. Remember this is a pre-registered only walk; **DEADLINE**: 31 July so don't delay.
- <u>Fall Foliage Walk in Godfrey 10/15</u> POC-Lois La Fleur: Walk is sanctioned and on AVA website. There are two 5k routes both with beautiful views. We are working with the Girl Scouts and hope they can join us.
- Branson Trip 11/4-11/6 POC-Deb Kruep: Great time of year to view the Holiday lights. We are staying at the Best Western Branson Landing. All the information is on our website.

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
- All YREs are listed on the AVA website under the Event section. Check the event information for start point and hours the start point is open. If you have questions about the YREs contact the POCs, their email and phone numbers are listed in the event section.
- Katy's Bike Trail: The event is sanctioned and we are scheduling our first bike even in Jun, more to follow. There will be a physical walk box at the Herman MO start point, Visitor's Center; you can also mail in your paperwork.
- **NEW YREs and Walks for 2017**: We are brainstorming for ideas for next year's walks. We would love your input on where you would like to visit for a walk.

Treasurer Report: \$3,199.44 balance; about \$800 available for spending

Items to be discussed at AVA June Meeting

Raising Walk Event Fees: There is an item to raise the walk free from \$3 to \$4; club members at our meeting **voted NO**

Release of membership information: The AVA if requested will give the information of name, phone number, and email address to an Regional Director (RD) or a Club President only. The RD or a club president can request names, email addresses, and phone numbers from a AVA in order to bring them into a club community or to encourage them to start a new club, if there are no clubs in the area. Anyone who is already in a club will probably never be contacted. Club members at our meeting **voted YES**

Free Walkers: club must still pay AVA portion of fee \$1.25; club members at our meeting voted YES

Trailmaster Certification: club members at our meeting voted YES

Walks may be less than a 5K; club members at our meeting voted YES

<u>Wood stamp holder used for event stamp should be black in color and kept by clubs</u>: club members at our meeting **voted YES**

Items from the Floor:

<u>Girls Scouts:</u> The Gateway Milers club is going before the Missouri Girl Scout board to see if we are approved to work with their Girl Scouts.

<u>Shirt Design Update:</u> We are using Town Hall Archery, 5901 Cool Sports Rd, Belleville IL 618-235-9811 as our source to embroider and stamp our shirts. Several of us bought white, aqua, and black polo shirts at Sear's.

NEXT MEETING: Jun 28th Fortel's Pizza, Fairview Heights IL, at 6:15pm to order food; meeting starts at 6:30pm. We hope to see you there.

Lois La Fleur Gateway Milers Secretary