#### GATEWAY MILERS CLUB MEETING MINUTES Oct 4, 2016

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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 75 club members!

**Treasurer:** We have a balance of: \$5,339.45

# **Updates on Upcoming Walks and Adventures:**

- <u>Fall Foliage Walk in Godfrey 10/15</u> POC-Lois La Fleur: We have 70 Girl Scouts and their families joining us. Should be so much fun especially with the option to have s'mores!! 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.
- <u>Mid America Conference Plainfield IN: 10/28-10/30</u> Several club members are going to the conference. These are always a nice event with walking in new locations and meeting so many others from multiple states.
- <u>Branson Trip 11/4-11/6</u> POC-Deb Kruep: We have 16 joining us for the trip with two others meeting us in Branson. Great walks, great food, great entertainment, with great company!
- World Bird Sanctuary Valley Park MO: 11/12 Two 5k routes, one within the Bird Sanctuary and the other 5k on Chubb Trail just outside the sanctuary. We are asking for walkers to donate items to the World Bird Sanctuary, the Wish List is on the back of our walk brochure or visit their website: www.worldbirdsanctuary.org

### **Traditional Walks for 2017**

- Feb 18th, Madigras Madness Belleville: POC Deb Kruep: She is working on the route for a great walk.
- May 6<sup>th</sup>, Soulard and Lafayette POC Cindy and Tom Stucky: Walk is approved with a 5 and 10K route.
- May 20<sup>th</sup>, Southern Illinois Univ Edwardsville Univ Walk POC Bill and Linda Badger: The walk will take you through their campus.
- Aug 26<sup>th</sup>, The Boulevard Belleville POC Lois La Fleur and Carol Rezniceck: Finishing up the route.
- Sep 11<sup>th</sup>, March to the Arch St Louis POC: Rosalie Maul
- Oct 14th, Salt Lick Reserves Valmeyer: POC: Deb Kruep and Cindy Stucky: We know you want this one!

## **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.

#### **ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR:**

- <u>Missouri Girl Scouts Roundup</u>: We were part of the Missouri Girl Scouts Roundup with over 500 attending and we think all of them stopped at our table to make Oreo owls and then candy airplanes staying with the theme of flight to advertise our upcoming World Bird Sanctuary walk. The Girl Scouts loved making the "owls" and Deb, Mark, and Lois became quite the experts. It was a long day but so worth it seeing all the Girl Scouts have a great time.
- Another trip for Sept 2017! 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. You must be able to walk at least 7 miles each day for 5 days. The trip includes: The Golden StateBridge, Sausalito, The Marin Headlands, Muir Beach, and Muir Woods.
- <u>Nuts about Walking</u>" is our theme for a basket we are putting together for the Mid America Weekend Regional Event Oct 29-30 in the Indianapolis area. Thanks so much for those who donated to the basket.
- <u>Elections for New Director:</u> Mark Mackey's one year term as a Director expires the end of the year. We will hold an election for a new director at our next meeting, Nov 8<sup>th</sup>. If interested in learning more about the position or wanting to take it on please get with one of the directors or send an email to: <u>gatewaymilers@gmail.com</u>. Thanks
- **NEXT MEETING:** Our next meeting is Nov 8th at Fortel's Pizza Restaurant. Meet at 6:15 is you would like to order food. Meeting will start at 6:30pm.