

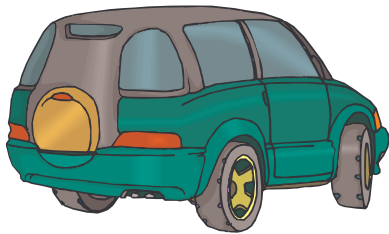
ILLINOIS TREKKERS FOOTNOTES

NO. 2009-03

April 2009

President: Dee Wojtysiak
Vice President: Mary Monett
Secretary: Debbie Kruep
Treasurer: Jack McKeon
IT Database Manager, Gary Staley

Directors-at-Large
Mark Kruep
Cindy Stucky
Robin Latdrick



Carpool Corner

Dee & Leonard Wojtysiak
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April 4, Ferguson, MO walk
April 11, Glen Carbon, IL walk
April 18, Creve Coeur, MO walk
April 25, Shawneetown & Marion, IL,
2 walks

We have the back seat of the car available if anyone needs a ride. You could also caravan.

Relay for Life Pledge

At the March meeting, the Relay for Life Piggy was past around collecting loose change. It is how amazing the pennies, nickels, dimes, and dollars add up. The club donated a total of \$14.48. These funds have been donated to the Relay for Life in Memory of Betty Boyd. The donation is shown on the Relay for Life website. Deb Kruep had taken Piggy to work for a week. Piggy sat by the time clock and collected \$21.05. The challenge is made, who is the next member to take Piggy! Piggy is ready to go



on a road trip and can be pick up at the April meeting.

Mosquito Retardant

So you don't like those pesky mosquitoes, especially now that they have the potential to carry the West Nile Virus? Here's a tip that was given at a recent gardening forum.



Put some water in a white dinner plate and add a couple drops of Lemon Fresh Joy dish detergent. Set the dish on your porch, patio, or other outdoor area. For some reason mosquitoes flock to it, and drop dead shortly after drinking the Lemon Fresh Joy/water mixture, and usually within about 10 feet of the plate.

Check this out---it works just super! May seem trivial, but it may help control mosquitoes around your home.

CONVENTION HOTEL TAKING RESERVATIONS NOW!

The Renaissance Hotel in Richardson, Texas is the official site for the 2009 convention.



Awarded the Four-Diamond distinction by AAA, the hotel is immediately near the DART rail system for traveling throughout the Dallas area, and is a

short distance from DFW Airport, and Dallas Love Field Airport. Reservations for rooms are now available. Cost is only 129/night single or double. Just mention American Volkssport Association when you call to make your reservations 1-800-468-3571. Cut off date for this rate is May 29, 2009.

FOCUS ON GROWTH

The theme of the 2009 AVA Convention is "Focus on Growth", a theme that encompasses personal growth as well as growth in our clubs and our events.

Seminars include:

- Team Building
- How To Put Fun In Clubs
- Designing Quality Events
- Using GPS While Developing Trails
- Creating Effective Publicity

And much more.

Several social activities are planned during the convention including a Tuesday evening welcome and Thursday night

western-style barbeque and dance. Plus we will honor those who give so much to AVA at the Friday evening Farewell Banquet.

New Sales Chairman

Robin Latdrick has agreed to be Sales Chairman. Robin will be responsible for having a supply of record books and New Walker packets at all our events. Robin joined the club in 2007 and is active on the Community Committee and now the Sales Chairman. Thank you, Robin, for being an involved member in the club.

FOOTNOTES SUBMISSIONS

Send articles and/or comments to "Footnotes" via email to wilburclark@att.net

WEBSITES

HQ AVA – <http://ava.org/>
Illinois Trekkers –
<http://www.illinois-trekkers.org/>

Illinois Trekkers Volkssport Club Meeting Minutes March 5, 2009

CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 by Dee Wojtysiak

VISITORS: none

NEW MEMBERS: none

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Debbie Kruep- Attached to the Footnotes

Corrections: May 16 walk Should have been listed as Maryville not Collinsville **Motion:**
Carol Clark;

Second: Shirley Martin

TREASURER'S REPORT: Jack McKeon- Balance as of Feb 28, 2009 \$3825.41 **Motion:** Gary S

Second: Shirley McKeon

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Refer to Betty Boyd Memorial Walk, viewed Relay for Life video.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Community Committee: Mary Monet-Trekker members to wear name tags to events, FRAN (friends, relative, acquaintance, neighbor) walk, 1hour evening walk, PR

symbol for easy recognition, brochure for parade handout, Shriner's Parade walk.

Awards and Achievements: no report

Services and Properties: Wil Clark - no report.

Publicity: Debbie Kruep - Continuing media contact list. Hope to complete and send info for the Anniversary Walk. Five of our walks made it into the Belleville Tourism Brochure. 50,000 brochures are printed.

Special Activities: Shirley Martin - will book Christmas party 1st Friday in Dec at Bel-Air.

AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Refreshments: March: Mark and Mona Youman, April: Mark & Debbie Kruep.

Footnotes: Wil and Carol Clark- This month was the first Footnotes not professionally printed.

Club Points Manager: Dee Wojtysiak - no report

Website News: Discussion of color change, broken link to year round events.

Data Base Admin: Gary Staley- 1 new member last week. Brings total to 80 members.

REPORT ON YEAR ROUND EVENTS (YREs):

Our Lady of the Snows: Jack & Shirley McKeon -23 walkers for the year.

Richland Creek: Tom and Betty Boyd - 19 walkers for year.

Maryville: Gary Staley - 3 walkers - 5 biker for the year.

Belleville YMCA Walk/Bike: Packy & Sue Botula -12 walkers - 1 biker for the year.

REPORT ON UPCOMING WALKS:

(1) Mid-America March 13,14 & 15

(2) March 21- YMCA Year Round Walk - Extended Registration time until 9:30. Refreshments served.

(3) April 11- Anniversary Walk-Like the Wedding walk, sandwiches and cake provided. Everything is set.

(3) May 16- Maryville Group Walk- Registration 8:30-9 am. Walk at 9am. Bring a friend. Bobby's opens at 11am.

(4) June 6-Mascoutah Ice Cream Walk/Girl Scout Walk

(5) June is the AVA Convention in Dallas/Fort Worth.

(6) July 10- Betty Boyd Memorial Walk- Relay for life 18 team members need to register online. Order your Memorial T-shirt. We have received some registrations for this walk.

You may purchase a memorial bag for \$10 or \$25. Purchase online or Dee has form.

Survivors may register and walk survivor lap.

OLD BUSINESS:

(1) St. Patrick's Parade is next Saturday. Assemble at 10am.

NEW BUSINESS:

(1) Shirley Martin made motion to change Simon Lava award to Betty Boyd award. Wil Clark seconded.

Motion passed.

ATTENDANCE DRAWING: Gary Staley (hat) and Carol Staley (free walk)

NEXT MEETING: Thursday April 2, 2009 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion: Packy Botula; Second: Wil Clark

Meeting adjourned 8:05 p.m.

Submitted by Debbie Kruep
Secretary Illinois Trekkers

April - May 2009 Events

- Thursday, April 2 – Regular Meeting
- **Saturday, April 11** 5th Anniversary walk, G
April 11 5th Anniversary walk, Glen Carbon,
Registration 9:00 AM to Noon
Leonard & Delores Wojtysiak
- Thursday, May 7 – Regular Meeting
- **May 16**, Collinsville-Maryville-Troy YMCA
Group YR, Registration 8:30 AM-9:00 AM
Gary Staley

2009 YREs

Belleville “Richland Creek” Greenway
618-233-6348

Belleville-YMCA (Walk and Bike)
618-236-9521

CMT YMCA, 1 Town Center Dr,
Maryville, IL (Walk and Bike)
618-344-0225

National Shrine of Our Lady of the
Snows
618-210-0679

Trekker Meeting: April 2, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.
At Faith Lutheran Church, 520 E Highway 50, O’Fallon, IL.

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ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED