

ILLINOIS TREKKERS MEMBERSHIP MEETING

September 6, 2018

1. **Call to Order:** 6:37pm per Diane Prost, President
2. **Special Guests:** none
3. **New Members:** none
4. **Secretary's Report:** Vickie Ridgeway. Joyce Bevirt made the motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting (August 2018). Muriel Barber 2nd. Motion passed
5. **Treasurer's Report:** given by Diane Prost, President, for Dee Wojtysiak. Joyce Bevirt made the motion to approve the report pending audit. Muriel Barber 2nd Motion passed.
6. **Committee Reports:**
 - A. **Volkssport Committee:**
 - Historic Red Bud Walk August 18, 2018, POC: Diane Prost
 - a) We had 58 walkers
 - b) Lots of good feedback and several local Red Bud walkers who were first timers to Volksmarch
 - c) Mention of an article in North County News, a local paper
 - d) Diane wanted to thank everyone for all their help in this successful event.
 - Cahokia Mounds Ancient History Walk September 15, 2018 POC: Trudy Duffman/Susan Bacon
 - a) Susan will be POC as Trudy is ABS due to family obligations. We continue our prayers for her and the family.
 - b) Susan laid out plans for the Walk and the 2-5K loops. Interpretive Center has a wonderful film to observe, also.
 - c) ATLATL Association, Missouri Society (Spear Throwing) will also be there at same time with competitions and demonstrations this same day. This will not affect our walk.
 - Sites of Wood River Walk October 20, 2018, POC: Vickie Ridgeway
 - a) 2-5K Loops are available. Camp DuBois (a nature trail) and a residential trail incorporating a former Wood River Museum House Tour and a few surprising extras came to light as we toured the town.
 - b) The Museum is open that day and it is strongly encouraged to attend to learn more of their fascinating city history.
 - c) Camp DuBois is a privately supported Camp. The last weekend of October, a reenactment of Lewis and Clark Winter camp has been held for several years. The camp will be open October 20, also, for us to tour. Donations for the camp's maintenance would be highly appreciated by the Camp-a jar will be available at our walk's checkin.
 - The Way of Lights Walk November 13, 2018 POC: Diane Prost
 - a) Nikki Wilcoxon & Sue Bacon Girl Scout registration
 - b) Volunteers-National Honor Society
 - c) Posters available to post in Metro East
 - d) Patches
 - e) Discussion re: new rules surrounding Community Walks, AVA sanctioning vs IVV sanctioning. The intent is to help encourage walker event participation. Please refer to your AVA newsletter and website for more information.
 - Christmas Party Walk-Nikki Wilcoxon, POC
Site details in progress, time to be held:1200 Noon
 - New Year's Eve Walk - Columbia

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- Individual incentive program: **Walk 200k in Illinois to Celebrate Illinois Bicentennial**
 - a) Can be downloaded or printed from Illinois Trekkers' website
 - b) Awards: Vickie Ridgeway – zipper pull
 - c) Remember to hand in your sheets to Dee Wojtysiak before December 31, 2018
 - d) Need Ideas for 2019 to include Missouri
- Ideas for 2019 traditional walks
 - a) Greenville, IL
 - b) Nashville, IL
 - c) O'Fallon Family Sports Park
 - d) Mascoutah, IL Ice Cream Social June?
 - e) Shiloh, IL
 - f) Soup Walk
 - g) Orchard Walk at Braeutigam Orchard
 - h) Millstadt Tin Man Walk
 - i) Chester, IL with Popeye Picnic September 7, 2019
 - A) Popeye's 5K Run/Walk free event now part of 2018 picnic

7. Old Business

- A. Mid America Conference October 26-28, 2018 in Dundee, Michigan
 - Brochures available tonight
 - Correction to hotel telephone number: 734 529-5100
 - Basket donation-Illinois Bicentennial by October meeting. Sending with Susan and Andy Bacon. Be sure to have them at next meeting.
 - Susan informed us that they are planning to have a Corn Maze.
- B. Meeting Location for March 2019-Leonard and Dee Wojtysiak in charge of location. There will not be a meeting in February as there will not be an officer quorum that month.
- C. Susan Jones has volunteered to do the Treasurer's audit.
- D. Mapometer – no longer uses Google maps
 - Susan Bacon recommended plotaroute.com. One can pay for the premium to avoid Excessive advertising, but not necessary. It has different settings. Will pick up trails, can pick biking, walking or running and gives out designated mileage or Kilometers.

Reports on Year-Round Events:

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| Our Lady of the Snows: Jackie McKay | Walkers: August=12 | YTD=92 |
| Belleville Downtown, Historic Districts & Richland Creek | | |
| Greenway: Susan Hodgson | Walkers: August=13 | YTD=82 |
| Belleville YMCA Packy & Sue Botula | Walkers: August=16 | YTD=57 |
| | Bike: August=0 | YTD=7 |
| Columbia: Jackie McKay | Walkers: August= 0 | YTD=90 |
| Edwardsville | Walkers: August=13 | YTD=55 |
| | Swim: August=1 | YTD=18 |
| Maryville: Vickie Ridgeway | Walkers: August=11 | YTD=73 |
| | Bike: August=6 | YTD=17 |
| Glen Carbon: Susan Hodgson | Walkers: August=7 | YTD=72 |
| St. Clair Square Mall: Trudy Duffman | Walkers: August=2 | YTD=76 |
| Millstadt: Jackie McKay | Walkers: August=5 | YTD=64 |
| O'Fallon: Nikki Wilcoxon | Walkers: August=9 | YTD=60 |

8. Opportunities for service:

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A. Volunteers to work at traditional events

9. New Business

A. Start time for Tuesday & Saturday morning walks.

Suggestion to return to 0900 start time after October 1.

B. Nominating Committee for new President. Diane Prost has been President of our Club for 4 years now, is asking for a break. She will continue to manage the website and be a part of the Volkssport Committee to help alleviate some of the upcoming officer's duties. Dee Wojtysiak (Treasurer) Vickie Ridgeway (Secretary) and Nikki Wilcoxon (Vice President) have said they will continue their duties another year. Any Volunteers?

11. President's Report

A. AVA calendar. April has been chosen as our month to advertise our club, our walks and our pictures. Anyone with pictures from our walk this past year, send to Andy.

B. Saturday Walk at the Shrine; Mall if raining,

C. St. Louis Stuttgart Club. New officers elected. Last year for Kirkwood-will defer to the Gateway Miler Club.

12. Items from the Floor

13. Attendance Drawing: Darleen Kraemer won the Attendance Prize again, this month. Yea, Darleen!

14. Next Meeting: October 4, 2018 @ 6:30 pm in the Conference Room at the Fairview Heights Library. The Fairview Heights Library is located at 10017 Bunkum Road; Fairview Heights, IL. When you reach 10017 Bunkum Road turn right onto Library Drive and continue to the library parking lot behind the library. Enter through the door on lower level at back of library.

10. The meeting was adjourned at 8:10pm. Motion passed.